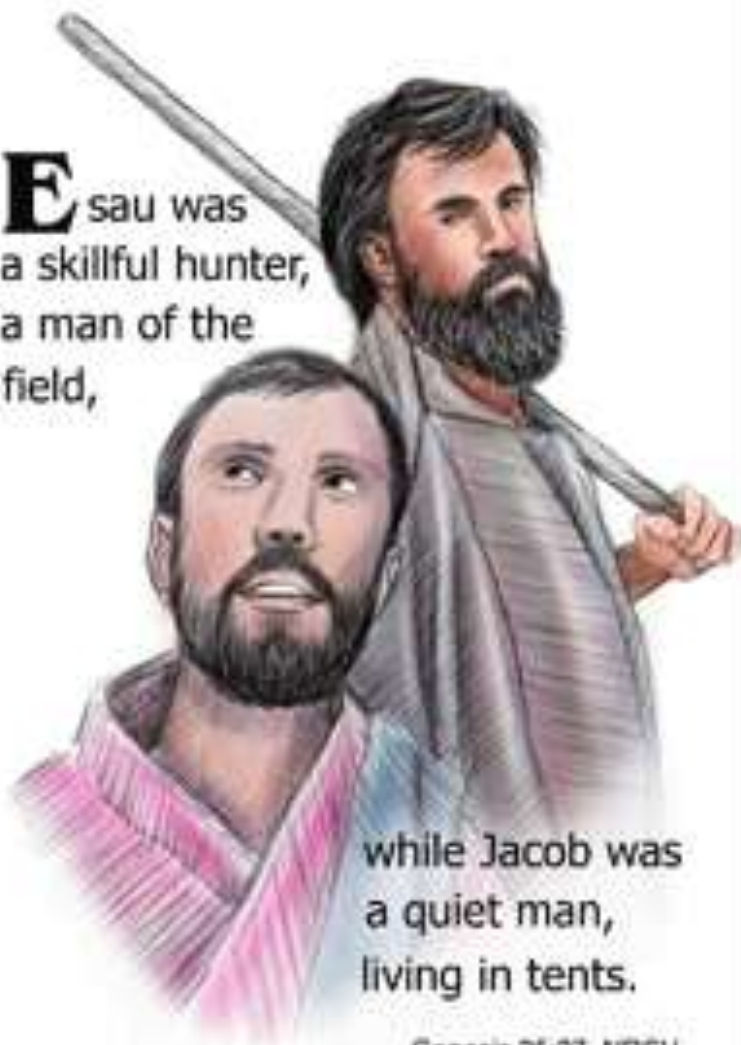


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516 Kellogg Ave.
515-232-2750
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Online at 8:30 June 7, 2020
Rev. Dr. Kerrin Kirkpatrick and Rev. Nikki Ross Bishop

An illustration of two men, Esau and Jacob. Esau is in the background, taller, with a full dark beard and hair, wearing a grey tunic and a long grey shawl draped over his shoulder. He is holding a wooden staff or spear over his shoulder. Jacob is in the foreground, shorter, with a dark beard and hair, wearing a pink and white striped tunic. He is looking upwards and to the right.

Esau was
a skillful hunter,
a man of the
field,

while Jacob was
a quiet man,
living in tents.

Genesis 25:27, NRSV

THE GATHERING
OPENING VOLUNTARIES---PRELUDE

“His Eye Is on the Sparrow”

Arr: Ron/Linda Sprunger

“Like a River Glorious”

Arr: Charlie Miller

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Arr: Gayden C. Sikes

GREETING

Puppet Greeting

SHARING NEWS OF THE CHURCH ALIVE

Explanation of the Love Feast

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on John 1:10-13, Philippians 1:6)

Jesus Christ was in the world, and the world came into being through Him; yet the world did not know Him.

Jesus came to what was His own, and His own people did not accept Him.

But to all who received Jesus, who believed in His name, He gave the power to become children of God, born of the will of God.

We are confident of this: our God, who began a good work among us, will bring it to completion on the day that Jesus Christ comes again!

HYMN

“Hymn of Promise”

First United Methodist Church, Monticello, Arkansas

OPENING PRAYER

God of grace and mercy, all things are Yours. When we bring our hearts and hands and voices to worship, we bring what is Yours. Yet, we do not serve You as we should, and we use what is Yours for work that is not of Your will. Take away from our hearts, O Lord, all suspiciousness and prejudice, all bitterness rooted in the unjust actions of others, all desire to bicker and quarrel over insignificant things. Forgive us when we seek to get even. Save us from empty apologies, spoken in order to make ourselves feel better. Give us the strength and grace to be the first to offer words of hope, healing, and acceptance, that we may bear witness to Your transforming grace in our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Romans 9:6-16

A TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

Nicole Smith

ANTHEM

“Spirit Medley”

Arr: Mark Hayes

Soloist: Barb Mittman

CELEBRATION OF THE LOVE FEAST

Sharing Song “**There is Room at the Table**” Carrie Newcomb
(*Sing and Dance along!*)

Introduction to the Love Feast

Centering Prayer

Reflections: *How has God surprised or blessed you in unexpected ways during this pandemic?*

Prayer

Passing the Bread “**The Majesty and Glory of Your Name**”

Tom Fettke/Arr: Tom Conyers

Special Music: Myrna Cakerice

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY Myrna Cakerice

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“**Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow**”

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious God, we bring to You our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness. All that we are able to bring is Yours already. This morning, we return a portion to show our love for You. May we continue to receive Your generous gifts as true stewards, giving as we have received, so that You may be glorified in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(adapted, “We Give Thee But Thine Own”)

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

HYMN

“**I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry**”

DisciplesNet Church

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“**Joyful Praise**”

Eugene Butler

LEAVING FOR SERVICE

Contact Myrna Cakerice (mcakerice@aol.com) if you have a music video you would like to share.

To view church services live, go to <http://bit.ly/amesfirstumclivestream>.
To view past services and other church events, go to Ames First United Methodist Church's YouTube page at <http://bit.ly/amesfirstumcyoutube>.

Audio/Video/Streaming

Marty Sankey

Mike Evans

GENESIS: June 7th – June 28th: *Jacob*

June 7th: “The Divine Disappointment” Love Feast Sunday

Preaching: Pastor Kerrin

Main Scripture: Genesis 25:19-34

Supporting: Romans 9:6-16

June 14th: “The Encounter”

Preaching: Pastor Kerrin

Main Scripture: Genesis 28:10-22

Supporting: John 14:1-3, 6, 16-19, 29

June 21st: “The Journey”

Preaching: Pastor Kerrin

Main Scripture: Genesis 29:15-28

Supporting: Matthew 10:16-20

June 28th: “Face to Face”

Preaching: Pastor Kerrin

Main Scripture: Genesis 32:22-31

Supporting: James 4:1-10



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UMW CONTINUES TO RAISE FUNDS

Marlene Erickson has come up with a delicious idea to raise funds for UMW local missions. She is having an on-going bake sale in her kitchen! All the money raised will be given to UMW to determine which Story County agencies will benefit. Marlene has been baking tea rings at \$10.00; Danish coffee cakes, apricot and raspberry at \$8.00, and cinnamon braids at \$8.00. All are freezer wrapped and frozen.

Call her with your order and the time that you will pick it up at her home. She will have your baked goods on a table in her driveway with a place to leave your money for payment. She lives at 1809 Meadowlane Ave. Her cell phone is 231-1220. It is very generous of Marlene to do this. Let's help support UMW local missions!

Bob Underhill will be celebrating his **100th** birthday on **June 10**. If you would like to send Bob a card since he can't have visitors on this special birthday, his address is:

2200 Hamilton Dr Unit 603
Ames, IA 50014-8275





Please join us for Coffee Talk at 9:45

Starting today - June 7- Cami and Rich McColley will lead us in a 6-week study, ***Serving from the Heart, Finding Your Gifts and Talents for Service***, by Carol Cartmill and Yvonne Gentile

They will take us through a 6-week journey of self-discovery assessing your spiritual gifts, talents and abilities, resources, individual style, dreams and experiences...all adding up to an enhanced capacity to serve God an neighbor.

To add value and understanding to this study, it is highly recommended that you order the book which can be found on Amazon. If you need assistance with ordering, please email Carrie at: ccopley2003@gmail.com

Amazon Link <https://www.amazon.com/Serving-Heart-Revised-Participant-Workbook/dp/1426735995>

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/187539096?
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Meeting ID: 187 539 096
Password: 040648
OR call 312- 626-6799

Blessings,
Chad & Carrie

Mid Week FUMC Connections Group

Every Wednesday at 7:00 PM, you are invited to join a zoom meeting with the Mid Week FUMC Connections Group. Join us on for connecting with another, sharing joys, concerns, needs and prayer.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/721561284>

Meeting ID: 721 561 284
OR call in at 312-626 -6799



Thanks & a Tip of the Hat to...

Some of you may or may not know, that FUMC was way ahead of the curve adapting to alternative church services with the start of Covid 19. A special thank you needs to be given to Calvin Evans. Calvin is the son of Mike and Suann Evans. Because Calvin had the idea to livestream church services for his

Eagle Scout project, FUMC already had online streaming in place and being used. We were ready, while others were scrambling. Thank you Calvin for your forward thinking and hard work to get that system set up and running!

YOUTH NEWS

Hello from the Youth Ministries Corner! Mid-May we wrapped up our spring session. It took a lot of obvious twists and turns, but we managed to not only get through it but seek out ways that we can be better prepared for the future if this were to happen again. A big thanks to the students, parents and leaders that were so flexible through this unpredictable time.

We will be holding summer Zoom sessions for High School and Middle School. Youth summer sessions started the week of June 1st. Since this is a first, we are still talking about what this will look like. We are looking to end the summer session at the end of July.

The Youth Ministries Team is up and running! A big thanks to all those on the committee. We are working on information for students, parents and leaders. We are working on training booklets, mission activity ideas and so much more.

There is still time to get involved as a leader with the youth programs. If you are interested in exploring this idea and the time commitment it would take, please reach out to me at kim@fumcames.org.

Thank you always for your support of your youth!

Confirmation Corner

The Confirmation class for 2020-2021 met in May to go over the requirements. The teaching team is still trying to determine what the class will look like for the year, but for now, classes will begin in late August online. If you didn't make it to the meeting please contact Nicole at nicole@fumcames.org. Also, if you have a youth who is going into 8th grade or above who has not done confirmation classes and is interested, please contact Nicole.

Plans for the 2019-2020 confirmation class to have their in-person confirmation are still being discussed. We will inform the youth, families, and mentors as soon as a decision is made how the confirmation service will proceed.

Children's Sunday School

Children's Summer Sunday School begins **THIS** Sunday at 9:45am. Nicole will lead this week's short lesson using the brand new book "The World Needs More Purple People." The Zoom link for the class was sent to families in an email. Contact Nicole if you did not receive the link or if you are interested in joining and/or helping with Children's Summer Sunday School.

We are working hard to get our first ever Virtual VBS ready to go. We know many of you like to help by donating supplies or funds every year to make VBS possible. Since every Splash Bash VBS participant will be receiving a kit to do all of the fun VBS activities, we still need donations! Here is a link to sign up for something:
<https://tinyurl.com/SplashBashSupplies>



The sign up sheets included items that ranged in cost from \$0.50 - \$25. Donations needed to be at the church by noon on Friday - June 5. If you didn't get out to go shopping before Friday, monetary gifts will be welcome all month long.

Thank you for your continued support of the Children and Family Ministries!
Nicole

Can't go to church camp this summer!?? The Iowa United Methodist Backyard Camp is for you! Join some of your favorite counselors and staff from Wesley Woods and Okoboji for activities, faith-building and fun! Visit www.iaumc.org/camps or Wesley Woods on Facebook.



Rainbow Garden is Growing!

The Rainbow Garden has been planted and is growing! Now, we need families to sign up to help take care of it. Weeding and watering will be the main things that need to be done but as we get later into the summer, we may need to pick some of the veggies and deliver to the Food at First free market. All information can be found at the sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/RainbowGarden2020>. Please remember - only one family should sign up per date so we can continue to observe social distancing guidelines. Thank you!

AFFIRMATION OF WELCOME

As a community of the people of God, we are called to minister to **ALL** people of the world, knowing that the world is often an unloving place, a place of alienation and brokenness. Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness, and we are challenged by the Gospel to be agents of healing within our society.

We stand in affirmation with the Apostle Paul that “in Christ there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female.” **ALL** are **ONE IN CHRIST**. We at Ames First UMC acknowledge that this reconciliation encompasses **ALL** within the community of faith who exhibit differences in race, gender, and ethnicity, as well as age, culture, physical ability, educational level, economic status, personality, marital status, and sexual orientation.

In response to the often hostile social climate with respect to diversity within our society and the resulting feelings of alienation from the Church, we wish to make known our caring and concern. It is for this purpose that we affirm the following:

ALL persons share the worth that comes from being unique individuals created by God;

ALL persons are welcome within the membership of this congregation upon making an affirmation of faith; and,

ALL persons are encouraged and expected to share in the sacramental and general life of this congregation as members of this church.

Online Giving –

Have you considered making your gift to Ames First UMC online? You can make a contribution with your smartphone by texting to 73256 the following “**firstames budget \$10**”. You can use any amount in place of the \$10. You will receive a confirmation message reply with a link to access the payment form. If you have established a login on Realm, you can donate by logging into Realm (<https://onrealm.org/fumcomes/SignIn>) with your computer or other device. If you have not used Realm before, call the church office and you will be connected with someone who will help you.

“Then the people rejoiced because they had offered so willingly, for they made their offering to the Lord with a whole heart....” 1 Chronicles 29:9