

Welcome to First Church, we are so happy that you chose to worship with us! Here are some resources available to you this morning:

- Children's Activity Packs are located at the entrance and rear of the sanctuary.
- **Nursery Childcare** (under 3 years of age) is available during services (pagers available at the Check-In Childcare Greeter Desk).
- Please bring your infant with you to worship! A Comfort Corner is available for your convenience, ask an usher for directions.
- Wee Worship (ages 3 to 5) and Kids Worship (ages 6 through 5th grade) follow the Children's Message at the 10:45 service. This program is designed to help children become accustomed to the structure and purpose of worship. Wee Worship is in Room 118 and Kids Worship in Room 216.
- For Hearing Assistance, wireless receivers are available.
 See an usher for assistance.
- Large Print Hymnals are available, see an usher for assistance.
- Seat Cushions for the wooden pews are available at the Sound Desk located in the rear of the Sanctuary.

Thank you for joining us today and we hope to see you again! Please visit the **Welcome Desk** (located outside the multipurpose room) for more information and to receive a special aift.



Week 10: Theme ~ Character

Daily Bible Readings

March 5 Getting Ahead

Genesis 27:1-28:9

March 6 Character Transformation

Genesis 28:10-29:30

March 7 Jealousy

Genesis 29:31-30:43

March 8 Break Away

Genesis 31:1-55

March 9 Healing

Genesis 32:1-33:20

March 10 Relax & Reflect

March 11 Worship

LEADING IN TODAY'S MORNING WORSHIP

SERVING OUR CHILDREN DURING MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday School Greeter. Donna Nichols

Worship Greeter............ Pam Van Kirk (8:15); TBD (10:45) Crib/Toddlers:............. Lora Bourgeois, TBD, Kendyl Swank (8:15);

Patti Herring, Janet Almond (10:45)

Wee Worship (10:45) Deb Karns, TBD, Liam Smith Kids Worship (10:45)..... Janice & John Bowen, Leah Krnjaic

Welcome to

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Opening Doors with Christ, One Another and Our Neighbors



Week 9: Testing

Memory Verse:

You now rejoice in this hope, even if it's necessary for you to be distressed for a short time by various trials.

(1 Peter 1:6)

March 4, 2018

Rev. Dr. Dennis Keller Rev. John Shellenberger

Sunday Services

Worship
Sunday School for all ages

8:15 AM, 10:45 AM 9:30 AM

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"For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ."

~ I Corinthians 3:11

We Gather to Praise God

Prelude Welcome *Call to Worship Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (vs. 1) Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, Left: God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, Right: opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Left: drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, Right: fill us with the light of day! *Hymn of Praise......No. 314 *Canticle of Covenant Faithfulness......No. 125 (responsively) We Receive God's Word .."Song of Fellowship"....... Sounds of Worship Words and Music by Don Besig and Nancy Price Scripture Reading....... 1 Peter 1:3-12 CEB Page 925 We Offer Our Prayers and Our Gifts *HymnNo. 419 Prayers of the People The Lord's Prayer (sins) Offering Offertory *Doxology Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"............ No. 95 *Offering Prayer We Are Sent Forth to Serve *Benediction Postlude

*Please stand as able.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ~ 9:30 AM

🔊 Children's Sunday School 🔊

- Classes for 3 year olds to 5th grade are using the Deep Blue Curriculum where kids dive deep into the bible and learn more about God, Jesus, faith and how it all fits together into life today. All classes learn the same bible lesson, but at different levels appropriate for their age.
- Classes for babies and toddlers are located on the first floor of the Children's Department. Check in with the greeter who will guide you to your child's room.

& Youth Sunday School: 4G ~ Morning Edition &

Middle School: B003 High School: Youth Lounge UMHC Students: B005

& Adult Sunday School &

Walk-in visitors and new class members are welcome in all classes.

- FAITH IN EVERYDAY LIFE (Room 207) A group of singles and couples age 25ish and above, but all are welcome. A discussion-based class that values friendship. Come discuss a variety of contemporary topics related to living out the Christian faith, compassion, and social justice.
- FAITHFUL FAMILIES (B001A, off Youth Lounge) This class is made up of parents who are in the child-raising stage of life, and who enjoy discussion-based Bible studies related to living a faithful, Christ-centered life.
- CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP (Room 223) A multi-generational adult class that selects short-term studies which generate challenging discussion of Christian principles.
- **GROWING IN CHRIST** (Room B004) A mixed class of single adults and couples of all ages that select short-term studies intended to challenge thinking and create fruitful conversation of Christian principles.
- **GUYER CLASS** (Room 123) A well-established group of elders in the church who study the United Methodist Quarterly Adult Bible Studies, which are designed as encouragement and instruction in living a life of faith.
- HELPING HANDS CLASS (Room 105 in office wing) A group of active seniors who focus on studies designed as encouragement and instruction on living a life of faith. Interactive studies and discussions are led by several class members. Also, class members enjoy many Christian social activities together.

For information on adult **Bible studies** held during the week and other **small-group opportunities** contact Tina Eaton at adultministry@fumchurch.com .

CONVERGENT SERVICE ~ 10:45 AM "Many gifts, one Spirit, one love known in many ways."

We Gather to Praise God

Welcome and Prayer
Ministry of Music
*Praise and Worship
"Jesus Paid It All"
"O Come To The Altar"
"Holy Spirit"
We Receive God's Word
Children's Time
Anthem

Scripture Reading...... 1 Peter 1:3-12CEB Page 925

"Let Us Gather in the Shadow of the Cross".....Sanctuary Choir

Words by Joseph Martin, Music by Brad Nix

French Horn: Nancy Robinson

Sermon......Pastor Shellenberger

We Offer Our Prayers and Our Gifts

*Hymn "I Am Thine, O Lord" No. 419

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (sins)

Offering

We Are Sent Forth to Serve

*Closing Song

"You Are Good"

*Blessing

*As you feel led, please stand or be seated.