Meeting Time for Church Committees

The COOL Committee meets each Monday at 9:30.

United Methodist Men meet each Thursday at 6:30 a.m.

Trustee Committee meets the 2nd Sunday of every month at 11 a.m.

Kids First meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 8:00 a.m.

Finance Committee meets the 3rd Sunday of every month at 11 a.m.

Outreach committee meets the 3rd Thursday of every month at 11 a.m.

Ad Council meets the 4th Sunday of every month at 11 a.m.

Caring Circle meets on the 3rd Monday of every month at 1:30 pm.

SPPRC meets the 4th Tuesday of every month at 5 p.m.

Hearing Assist

We have hearing assist devices available that are quite remarkable. They are able to pair with your hearing aids in some cases to bring the sounds that come through out system directly to your hearing aid. We also have headphones for those who either can't be paired or don't have hearing aids. Check with our ushers for assistance.

Caring Thoughts from Stephen Ministry:

"A vision without a task is but a dream. A task without a vision is drudgery. A vision and a task are the hope of the world." (Quote on a church wall in Sussex, England) Stephen Ministers started with both a vision and a task. Thoughtfully consider using your Spiritual gifts and become a Stephen Minister at FUMC. Contact any Stephen Leader or Stephen Minister for more information.

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9:30 AM

Live Feed at Our website or Our Facebook page

Sunday, January 15, 2023

First United Methodist Church

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Pastor:

Lay Leader:

Lay Representative to Annual Conference: Linda Redfern

Certified Lay Speaker: Chancel Choir Director:

Organist:

Saturday Night Musician:

Director of Children's Ministries:

Director of Outreach: Audio/Video Techs:

Great West Dist. Superintendent:

Bishop:

Rev. Craig Collins
Marilyn Betancur
: Linda Redfern
Megan Chapman
Dr. Patrick Newell
Stan Haemmelmann
Jenny Castro
Missi Iasillo
Lynn Doering
Josh Vesper
Blake Wohlers
Rev. Cindy Karges
Rev. David Wilson

Centering Thoughts

A fresh start requires steadfast purpose and accepting God's embrace.

Prelude

Consider the Lilies (Matthew 6: 28)

Stan Haemmelmann Terry Osman, 2003

If You Will Trust in God to Guide You (Tune: Neumark)

Barbara Boertie, 1998 You Are My Hiding Place (Words/Music-Michael Lerner, 1981)

Mark Hayes, 2009

I will Bless Thee, O Lord with Great Is the Lord-1970

Carol Tornquist, 2009

*Hymn

He Leadeth Me

UMH #128

Welcome & Announcements

Welcome! We are glad you chose to worship with us today. Text prayer requests to Craig at (308) 672-3241.

* Call to Worship

God, you send us where your message is needed.

But your message is not always heard or received.

O God, give us the courage to not stop trying.

God, we may sometimes face rejection.

Empower us to keep going

to fulfill the purpose you have given us.

O God, there is nothing impossible for you in heaven or on earth.

* Opening Prayer

This morning, God, empower us to go into our homes, communities, and cities, to tell our families, neighbors, and friends the message of your Son, Jesus Christ. He has sent us to share his message of hope for a new beginning and of freedom for those who are in bondage. Amen.

Presentation by United Women in Faith

Children's Time

Bob Betancur

Hymn

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

UMH #452

Scripture Reading

Luke 13:31-35

Sharyn Wohlers

The Word of God, for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Response

Gloria Patri

UMH #70

Special Music In Jesus Name (God of Possible)

Words/Music: Katy Nichole, Jeff Pardo, Ethan Hulse, David Spencer, 2022

Hens and Chicks

Solo: Julie Schaff

Pastor Craig Collins

Message Offering

God has given us a role in the work of healing and freeing that Jesus started. Sometimes, even when we have the best intentions, we can get distracted from doing this work. Today, let's recommit to that purpose. Let us offer our gifts of time, money, and energy to God's mission in the world. Let us show Jesus just how willing we are!

Ways to give include; mailing or dropping off to the church, online giving by clicking here, through the GivePlus mobile App, or text the amount you want to give to 844-928-0313 and follow the prompts.

Offertory Pastorale on "I Come to the Garden Alone"

(Tune: Garden) John Barr, 2022

Doxology

* Offertory Prayer

UMH #95

Jesus, you call us to be purpose-driven and generous in a way that sometimes feels risky. As we take that risk and give of ourselves today, help us to remember that you will always protect us under the wing of your loving care. Help us to be more welcoming, like you, and invite others into the warmth of your embrace. Amen.

Joys and Concerns Prayers of the People

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayers

Silent Prayer Pastoral Prayer Lord's Prayer UMH #895

Prayer for our Leaders and those who serve

UMH #607

* Song

Jesus I Have Promised

UMH #396

Benediction

Postlude Jubilation (Psalm 98: 4)

Jason D. Payne, 2015

* Please stand if you desire

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (Red)

TFWS = The Faith We Sing (Black)

January

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
16 COOL 9:30 Caring Circle 1:30 Bible Study 6:30 Newsletter Deadline	17	7 KF Board 8 am Rose Bible Study 10 am Stephen Ministry 6 pm	17 KF Board 8 am 18 Sack Lunch 11:30 am Rose Bible Senior Lunch Study 10 am 12:00 noon Stephen Ministry Choir Rehearsal 7 6 pm	19 UMM Brkfst 6:30 am Outreach Committee 11 am	20	21 Worship 5 pm
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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Senior Lunch is Wednesday, January 18. Sign up by the church office.

Mission of the Month — is to make health kits for the Mexico Mission team to take to Mexico at the end of the month. The kits consist of a gallon zip-lock bag filled with a hand towel, wash cloth, bar of soap, toothbrush and toothpaste, shampoo and a comb.

Wednesday Night Youth Groups are back! We meet each Wednesday at 5:30 for a meal (\$3 suggested donation) and then meet with our group from 6—7 pm. Parents, we have a group for you as well. Currently parents are meeting in the library. They are getting to know each other, share parenting experiences, and bounce ideas off each other.

Town Hall Meeting will be held today at 2 pm in the fellowship hall. After receiving feedback from previous town hall meetings, we have compiled job descriptions for the Senior Pastor and the Pastor of Discipleship. We have created a budget to the best of our ability. We want to share these with you and discuss any further concerns before calling a charge conference to vote on whether we are ready to become one church in four locations. Pastor Craig and Pastor Joe (serving Mitchell, Morrill and Henry/Lyman) understand this vision for our future as a gift from God. We believe we are better together, and trust God is leading us in this direction and will be our helper.

Catpack Coordinator needed — Missi is "retiring" her position as the head of the Catpacks at the end of this school year and looking for a replacement. If you would be interested in taking this over, please contact her. She is happy to answer any questions and can start training you at any time. Her contact info is 308-225-2527 or miasillo@aol.com.

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have prayer requests, you can either fill out a prayer card found in the pew and get it to an usher, or you can text your prayer request to Pastor Craig at 308.672.3241.

If you would like to receive our prayer requests by email, let us know at the church office. Thank you for your prayers. Please continue to pray for the following:

Kent & Beverly Greenwalt

All our friends and family dealing with cancer.

Brayden Bradham, 3rd grader at Morrill Elementary, who was diagnosed with small blue cell sarcoma with tumors in his lungs, abdomen, and his legs. Currently in Denver.

Teri Reed, Jen, Kari, Joe Spahn, Brent (Linda Redfern's nephew)

Cindy Morrison's brother, Jim, on dialysis

Blake Wohlers—traveling w/ NE Lead Program

Joe Schumacher's mom—getting kidney transplant

Grace Goodin

Amanda Mack

Bud Stoddard

John Tuttle

Janet Wisswell

Brian Sweeney

Donna & Paul Considine's grandson, Andrew

Grant Powell (31 yr. old nephew to Gary and Nancy)

Prayers for our country

Those enduring grief and loss: Janeene Brown family with the passing of her mom, Diantha.

Those in Care Centers, Rehabs assisted living facilities and homebound

Those struggling with mental health & addiction

The people of Ukraine

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Ted Westervelt	16
Dean Freouf	19
ennifer Splichal	2121
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acquline Ross	23
ohn Tuttle	24
Edith Mack, John Massey, Connie Spencer, Breqkon Gonza	ales,
Bynlee Gardner	25
Dustin Beaudette	26
Paqui Gonzales	29
Barbara Ropp, Amy Willats, Amanda Mack	30
inda Martin, Betty Peterson	February 1
Marie DeHaai	2
Cecil Trenkle	4
evi Metcalf	5
Carol Lockwood	7
Gerald Bacon, Sandy Cook, Diane Schaneman	8
Charles Stauffer	10
Nancy Mignerey	11
red & Teresa Shriver	14
arry & Luray Neuwirth	26
im & Diane Schaneman	26

Bold names are those honored folks who are 75 or older. If you know of additions or corrections, let us know at the church office.

Brian & Rojean Sweeney

Our Hospital Visitation Team is ready to come visit our church family and friends who are in the hospital, but we need your help. We do not know of people in the hospital unless the person or a family member informs us. The hospital will not tell us when you or your family members are hospitalized. Please contact us at the church office with news of hospitalizations.