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 Wednesday 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.

Stephen Ministry Caring Corner: Continue to spread love to others by taking time to meet and greet 5 more of our special Stephen Ministers and Stephen Leaders this week: Marg Dredla, Megan Massey, Barb Ropp, Julie Schaff and a special shout out to Pastor Craig who has also taken Stephen Ministry training. We would love to share more information about Stephen Ministry at FUMC.

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9:30 AM Live Feed at Our website or Our Facebook page

Sunday, February 19, 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:

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Audio/Video Techs:

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Centering Thoughts

With loving hearts and open minds, we come into God's presence. With God's open heart and glorious presence, God welcomes us with love.

Prelude

Stan Haemmelmann

Praise Him! Praise Him! (Tune: Joyful Song-Fanny Crosby) Jeff Bennett, 2004 Moment By Moment (Tune: Whittle) Jonathan W. Lee, 2023 Hallelujah, We Shall rise as the Saints Go Marching In Arr. Pepper Chaplin, 2023

*Hymn

The God of Abraham Praise

UMH #116

Sharing the Peace - Recognizing the light of Jesus in each other.

Welcome & Announcements

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

* Choral Introit Oh, How Good It Is Chancel Choir Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, ross Holmes, Stuart Townend,2012
Arr. Joey Hoelscher

* Call to Worship

God, we come to the mountaintop to be covered in your presence.

to do your work in the valley below.

We are comforted by your holiness and your glow; we are comforted by the hope of the mountain top, where you are so close, so accessible, where there is no doubt of your glory.

The mountain top reminds us why we worship you.

We witness your bright power, and your plan for the nations of the earth.

As we prepare for worship, God bring us to the mountain top;

* Opening Prayer

God of glory, grace us with your presence. Overwhelm us with your love. Guide us with your wisdom and fill us with your Holy Spirit, as we worship and praise you this day. Amen.

bring us to the mountain top so that we may be inspired

Children's Time

Hymn Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise UMH #103

Scripture Reading Matthew 17:1-9 Gary Hutzel
The Word of God, for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Response Gloria Patri UMH #70

Special Music Praise the Lord of Hosts

(Chorus from the "Christmas Oratorio", Op. 12) Camille Saint-Saens, 1858

Message Offering

As God has blessed us with the glory of love and light, so God invites us to share these gifts to light God's world.

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

Super Sunday

Offertory

Meditation on "How Great Thou Art"

(Swedish Tune: Stuart Hines, 1953, 1981) Setting: John Carter/Edited: Jane Holstein, 1995

Doxology UMH #95

* Offertory Prayer

Embolden us, Mighty God, to give us fully as we have received. Multiply the gifts we return to you now, that they may empower the lives of many with your glory and your grace. Amen.

Joys and Concerns Prayers of the People
Lord in your mercy, hear our prayers

Silent Prayer Pastoral Prayer Lord's Prayer UMH #895

* Song

Be Thou My Vision

UMH #451

Chancel Choir

Pastor Craig Collins

Benediction & Response Peace Be Unto This Congregation Music/Text: Jay Althouse, 2002

Postlude Shine, Jesus, Shine Graham Kendrick, 1987; Setting: John Carter/Edited: Jane Holstein, 2005

* Please Stand if you desire

Are you looking for a way to volunteer and serve? We could use more newsletter folders at 9 am on the last Thursday of each month (the 23th this month).

Please join us for fellowship after worship for chocolate Sunday.

February & March

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
19 Worship 9:30 Chocolate Sunday Bible Study 10:30 Finance 11a.m. UMM Valentines Dinner 6 pm	20 COOL 9:30 UWiF 1:30 Bible Study 6:30	Rose Bible Study 10 am Shrove Tuesday Pancake Feed Mitchell UMC	22 Senior Lunch 12:00 noon Supper 5:30 pm Youth Group 6 pm Choir Rehearsal 6 Ash Wed. 7 pm	23 UMM Brkfst 6:30 am Newsletter Folding 9 am Bingo 1:30	24 Lay Leadership Class: Leading Public Prayer 6 pm	25 Worship 5 pm Leading Public Prayer 8 - 4
26 Worship 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Ad Council 11 a.m.	27 COOL 9:30 Bible Study 6:30	28 Rose Bible Study 10 am Lenten Lunch 1st Pres. –noon SPRC 5 pm Stephen Min. 6 pm	1 Sack Lunch 11:30 am Supper 5:30 pm Youth Group 6 pm Choir Rehearsal 7	2 UMM Brkfst 6:30 am	ന	4 Worship 5 pm Holy Communion
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12 Worship 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Trustees 11 a.m.	13 COOL 9:30 Caring Circle 1:30 Bible Study 6:30	14 Rose Bible Study 10 am Lenten Lunch West Way Noon Stephen Ministry 6 pm	15 KF Board 8 am Sack Lunch 11:30 am Senior Lunch at noon Choir Rehearsal 7	16 UMM Brkfst 6:30 am Newsletter Deadline	17	18 Worship 5 pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mission of the Month — CAPWN Food Pantry. Drop off donations to the Outreach bin. Helping end hunger in our community.

Peanut Butter Drive - Our 3rd-5th graders will be collecting 18 oz. jars of peanut butter for the Catpack and PupPack program! Please support the kids and the Catpack program and bring peanut butter (any brand) to add to their efforts.

Lay Servant Ministries Advanced Training: Leading Public Prayer Led by Rev. George Kilmer and Gloria Louch will be held Friday evening and all-day Saturday: February 24-25, 2023 in the Parlor. Registration forms are on the bulletin board.

Wednesday Night Youth Groups 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.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Feed - Feb. 21, at the Mitchell UMC—1/2 proceeds to benefit Brayden Branham and family.

Church Conference—Merger Vote, 10 am, March 18. Only church members can vote. You must be present to vote. Proxy voting, voting early, or mail in voting is not allowed per our Book of Discipline.

Ash Wednesday Service is this coming Wednesday, February 22 at 7 pm.





March 28 ~ First Presbyterian Church

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:

All our friends and family dealing with cancer.

Brayden Branham, 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, Glenna Snyder

Cindy Morrison's brother, Jim

Mason (child with heart trouble)

Grace Goodin

Amanda Mack

Whitney Larsen

Barb Goldman

Bud Stoddard

John Tuttle

Janet Wisswell & Donna LaPoirs

Brian Sweeney

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

Prayers for our country

Those enduring grief and loss

Those in Care Centers, Rehabs assisted living facilities and homebound

Those struggling with mental health & addiction

The people of Ukraine, Turkey & Syria

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Craig Erdman Luray Neuwirth

Craig Erdman, Luray Neuwirth	18
Marjorie Stauffer	19
Sara Krichau	20
James Harrison	21
Vic Bentley, Sheryl Johns, Allen Meyer	22
Violet DeLunger Pat Baum	23
Pat Baum	24
Dawson Iasillo, Christy Jay Becky Colling] 25 26
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Roy Dugan	27
Kim Ferguson, Kathryn Phillips, Kathy Richardson	. March 1
Amy Krichau, Larry Neuwirth, Anita Osborn, Elain Pile	5
Carolee Marker, Don Richards, Sara Trumbull	6
David Chapman, Jennifer Harre	7
Carol Hennings	8
Rod Randall	9
Susan Elsberry, Heather McRoberts	10
Glenn Schleve	11
Paul Considine, Randy Straub	14
Jeannie Williams	15
Linda Barrett, Mona Downey	
Terry Miller, Crystal Palser, Pat Ropp Jenny Larsen	17
Jenny Larsen	18
Gary & Susan Lofing	20
Willie & Vicki Quindt	March 17

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.

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.