Meeting Time for Church Committees

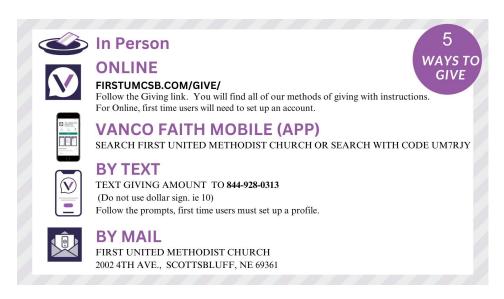
The COOL Committee meets each Monday at 9:30.
United Methodist Men meet each Thursday at 6:30 a.m.
Trustee Committee meets the 2nd Sunday of every month at 11 a.m.
Kids First meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 8:00 a.m.
Finance Committee meets the 3rd Sunday of every month at 11 a.m.
Outreach committee meets the 3rd Thursday of every month at 10 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: God has given each of us a gift from his great variety of Spiritual Gifts.

Use them well to serve one another (1 Peter 4:10). Consider putting your Spiritual Gifts to work through Stephen Ministry. For more information contact any Stephen Minister, or







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

Sunday, April 23, 2023

First United
Methodist Church

2002 4th Ave. Scottsbluff, NE 69361 (308) 635-2069 www.firstumcsb.com **Centering Thoughts**

God of goodness and mercy, follow me all my days! Source of grace and compassion, flow from me all my days!

(Acts 2, Psalm 23)

Prelude

Sarah Trumbull

*Hymn Great Is Thy Faithfulness (Vs. 1 & 3)

UMH #140

Sharing the Peace

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

Here Jesus's great truth:

I am the gate for the sheep!

We recognize this voice.

Come in! You belong here!

You are safe and cared for here!

We recognize this voice of our shepherd.

Follow and find green pastures and still waters!

We here his voice.

I come to give life and give it abundantly.

Come one, come all!

* Opening Prayer

Hoy God, as our confirmands come to proclaim their faith and trust in you, strengthen them (and all of us) in faith. Help each one depend upon you for the gift of life. Help us to see Jesus Christ as the gate keeper, the shepherd of the sheep. Our Shepherd. Enliven us with your abundant life. In the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Hymn Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us (Vs. 1 & 4)UMH #381

Scripture Reading John 10:1-10 Marilyn Betancur

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

Response Gloria Patri UMH #70

Special Music Patrick and Lauren Newell

Message Jesus is the Gate Pastor Craig Collins

Offering

Some of the earliest memories of the church record acts of generosity, of meeting the needs of any and all. The church earned the good will of everyone who witnessed and experienced this gladness. Let us give with open hearts, as our ancient brothers and sisters did.

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

Offertory Have Thine Own Way Stebbins
Doxology UMH #95

* Offertory Prayer

God of abundant Life, we devote ourselves and these gifts to your vision of a community that meets the needs of any and all. We give our gifts of money and work, of prayer and praise, of presence and purpose to our friends and neighbors. Bless our offering, that it may meet the needs, both small and large, of your great and generous blessings. 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 O Jesus, I Have Promised (Vs. 1 & 4) UMH #396

Benediction

Postlude Go Now in Peace Don Besig

Congratulations to our newest members:

Rylan Thomas Cheek

Son of Rebecca Colling & Dustin Cheek

Caleb James Clodfelter

Son of Jeremy & Jaimie Clodfelter

Zeyda Lee Gonzales

Daughter of Marc and Paqui Gonzales

Natalie Larsen

Daughter of Lex and Jennie Larsen

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^{*} Please Stand if you desire

April & May

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 Worship 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Confirmation	1 COOL 9:30 UWiF 1:30 Bible Study 6:30	2 Rose Bible Study 10 am Stephen Ministry 6 pm	3 Supper 5:30 pm Youth Group 6 pm Choir Rehearsal 7	4 UMM Brkfst 6:30 am	S	6 Worship 5 pm Holy Communion
7 Worship 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Holy Communion	8 COOL 9:30 Bible Study 6:30	9 Rose Bible Study 10 am WWIP Bible Study 4 pm	10 Sack Lunch 11:30 am Supper 5:30 pm Youth Group 6 pm	11 UMM Brkfst 6:30 am Soup Kitchen 5 pm Presb. Ch. Kids First Preschool Graduation 6:30	12	13 Worship 5 pm
14Worship 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Trustees 11a.m. Senior & Youth Recognition Happy Mother's Day	15 COOL 9:30 Caring Circle 1:30 Bible Study 6:30	16 Rose Bible Study 10 am Stephen Ministry 6 pm Newsletter Deadline	1 ₹F Board 8 am Senior Lunch at noon	18 UMM Brkfst 6:30 am Outreach	19	20 Worship 5 pm
21 Worship 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Finance 11 a.m.	22 COOL 9:30 Bible Study 6:30	Study 10 am Study 10 am Lenten Lunch 1st Pres. –noon SPRC 5 pm WWIP Bible Study 4 pm	24 Sack Lunch 11:30 am	25 UMM Brkfst 6:30 am Folding Newsletters 9 am	26	27 Worship 5 pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mission of the Month - The Chuckwagon Church is the Mission Outreach project for the month of April . The church is located on East Overland and serves around 200 people each Sunday morning at a free pancake breakfast - which is followed by a 10:15 worship service. They are in need of pancake mix and syrup. Donations can be placed in the outreach bin in Fellowship Hall.

Confirmation –Today. You are invited to encourage Rylan Cheek, Caleb Clodfelter, Zeyda Gonzales and Natalie Larsen in their faith as we celebrate their confirmation with cake, punch, and fellowship after church.

Wednesday Night Youth Groups meet for the next two Wednesdays at 5:30 for a meal (\$3 suggested donation) and then meet with their 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.

May 14th is a Special Day! We plan to honor our high school seniors, celebrate our youth, and honor our Mother's on this day. It should be a fun day!

Saturday Night Worship - Each Saturday night at 5 pm. Our music is on the big screen, and it's more of a contemporary style. We finish our evening with fellowship and refreshments. We have been seeing 20 to 25 people most Saturday nights. We'd love to have you stop by and worship with us.

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, Teri Reed, Jen, Kari, Joe Spahn, Doris Rush, Jim Margheim, Brian Sweeney, Barb Goldman Sammy Selzer (kindergartner with leukemia)

Cindy Morrison's brother, Jim

Mason (child with heart trouble)

Glenna Snyder

Grace & Grant Goodin

Amanda Mack

Bud Stoddard

Janet Wisswell & Donna LaPoirs

Marilyn Wurst

Judy Banghart

Marianne Chapman

Allen Meyer

Bob Pile

Melanie Anderson

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

Talon Cheek, Jimmie Schaneman	May 1
Joan Stear	2
Caitlyn Lastovica Jackson, Rick Wallace	3
Missi Iasillo	5
Janet Gardner, Lauren Newell	6
Helen Wigert	11
Gina Cannon	12
Patty Gritzfeld, Rich Schultz, Renate Scott	13
Larry Martin	15
Emily Erdman	
Gary Hutzel	19
Jamisyn Howard Life 1997	20
Shirley Ruff, Rojean Sweeney	22
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Ron Howard	25
Sandra Cardiff, Joseph Schumacher, Ruthie Stowell	26
Ann Huntington, Don Osborn, Linda Redfern	27
Jenell Eckerle	29
Grady Beaudette, Sandra Massey	31
Chad & Suzanne Dunkel	May 3 15 16 20

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.