# **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.

Camping Season is here. Children and youth grow in their faith in Jesus Christ greatly at summer camp, plus they have the best time! Register your kids and grandkids for camp at Camp Norwesca here: https://www.norwesca.org/summer-camps. Bring us a copy of your registration, as we have scholarship funds to help.

**Stephen Ministry Caring Corner:** "Do unto others as though you were the others!" (Voltaire). You have the ability to care for and help others. Get involved in Stephen Ministry.









9:30 AM

Live Feed at Our website or Our Facebook page

Sunday, June 18, 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:

Outreach Assistant: Audio/Video Techs:

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Bishop:

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

# **Centering Thoughts**

Is anything too wonderful for God? What shall we return to God for all of God's bounty?

Prelude Stan Haemmelmann

Faithful Men Twila Paris, 1985; Arr. Bill Wolaver. 2011 Children of the Heavenly Father (with Day by Day) Jonathan W. Lee, 2017 Fanfare of Praise ("To God Be the Glory"/"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name") Jonathan W. Lee, 2017

\*Hymn

Faith of Our Fathers

UMH #710

# **Sharing the Peace**

Justified by faith, we have peace with God through Jesus Christ. Let us greet one another with signs of Christ's 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

Welcome, you who are called as disciples of Christ! Is anything too wonderful for our God?

Nothing is too wonderful for God who saves us and calls us! We remember the goodness of God who promised Abraham a multitude of descendants and then showed up at Abraham's door to announce that the promise would be fulfilled.

Nothing is too wonderful for God who promises and fulfills promises!

We remember the compassion of Jesus who noticed the distress of his neighbors and acted to bring them healing and wholeness.

Nothing is too wonderful for God who heals and restores the distressed!

We remember the invitation the Spirit extends to us to join in God's work of compassionate community building.

Nothing is too wonderful for God who empowers us to transform strangers into community through active love.

As we worship, may we receive the promise, the compassion, and the invitation to be disciples of Christ who join in God's work of making disciples for the transformation of our households, our community, and our world.

Because nothing is too wonderful for our God! Amen.

## Children's Time

\* **Hymn** O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go UMH #480

\* Scripture Reading Genesis 18:1-15; 21:1-7 Marcia Keller Matthew 9:35-10:8 (9-23)

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

Response

Gloria Patri

**UMH #70** 

**Special Music** Goodness of God Ben Fielding, Brian Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram, and Jenn Johnson, 2019

Lauren Newell, solo

Message "Is Anything Too Wonderful?" Pastor Craig Collins

**Offering Invitation** 

You received from God without payment. Give generously out of God's bounty, living as signs of the kingdom of heaven.

Offering Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Robert Lau, 2022

\* Doxology

**UMH #94** 

\* Offertory Prayer

Loving God, what shall we return to you for your great bounty in our lives? Your generosity knows no limits. Your loving compassion pours into our hearts and our very beings. We thank you. We call upon you, trusting in your love. We offer you all that we have and all that we are, hoping for your glory and desiring your kingdom. 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 For a Thousand Tongues to Sing. Selected verses UMH#57

## **Benediction**

As you go from this place, go together and trust that when we follow the joy of God's call into the unknown, God will equip us and empower us for the work ahead because nothing is too wonderful for God! Amen.

**Postlude** 

I Saw the Cross of Jesus

Carolyn Hamilin, 2019

<sup>\*</sup> Please Stand if you desire

## **Calendar Events**

9:30 Worship—Pie in fellowship following service in honor of our father's

10:30 Bible Study (Library)

11:00 Finance Meeting (Wesley)

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9:30 COOL (Wesley Hall) 1:30 UWiF Caring Circle

5:00 SPRC (Wesley)

#### Tuesday, June 20

4:00 WWIP Bible Study

5:00 July 9 Worship planning (Wesley)

6:00 Stephen Ministry

#### Wednesday, June 7

8:00 Kids First Board (Library)

11:00 Sack Lunch Outreach (Parlor)

#### Thursday, June 21

6:30 am United Methodist Men's Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, June 22

#### Saturday, June 23

5:00 Worship

# **Needing Prayers**

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Please pray for the following:

Cindy Morrison's brother, Jim Glenna Snyder
Grace & Grant Goodin Amanda Mack
Marianne Chapman Allen Meyer
Betty Mefferd Melanie Anderson

Rhonda O'Bryan Jan Curtwright

Prayers for our country Those enduring grief and loss

Those dealing with cancer: Jane Bauer, Brayden Branham, Jen, Kari, Joe Spahn, Doris Rush, Jim Margheim, Brian Sweeney, Barb Goldman, Marilyn Betancur, Sammy Selzer, Kody Sherman

Those in Care Centers, Rehabs assisted living facilities and homebound

Those struggling with mental health & addiction

The people of Ukraine, Turkey & Syria

# **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

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