

Welcome

November 5



Busy Bags for children with crayons, books, etc. are available. Look for them by the entrance, and please return them to the rack so they can be re-stocked for next week.

Child Care: Child care is available for infants through 5 year-olds on Sunday mornings from 8:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. in the Nursery. We invite older children to enjoy the Busy Bags.

Coffee Hour: We are glad to be able to worship together today! We invite everyone to stay for coffee and fellowship in the Gathering Space after the worship service.

NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Loose coin offerings for the month of November will be donated to Salvation Army.

To date we have received 74 General Fund pledges for a total of \$175,589. **If you have not yet pledged there is still time.** Pledge cards are available at the Welcome Center. Once you've completed it you can turn it in to the office, or simply place it in the offering plate during service. Please remember all pledges are confidential and can be changed in the future if the need arises. Thank you

Adult Bible Study - Join us at 10:05 a.m. in the Library as we study great Bible stories in chronological order. All are welcome.

Adult Sunday School in the Multipurpose Room - This week we will be studying "Responding to North Korea". In recent months, escalating tensions between the United States and North Korea have led to anxiety and fear across the world. How can Christians respond to political events that seem outside of their control? Next week we will study "Stateless People".

Oh My Goodness! Trunk or Treat was a huge success! Our church welcomed over 500 Trick or Treaters, gave away 43 enormous bags of candy, served 10 gallons of hot chocolate, and shared information about our family and children's ministry! Thank you to all who donated candy, volunteered their vehicles (15 Trunks this year!), played games with kids, and helped with set-up and clean-up. Your efforts were greatly appreciated.

Christmas Outreach - First UMC will be collecting coats for Christmas Outreach again this year. We will collect new or like new men's and women's coats, as well as children's. There is a particular need for men's and women's coats in very large sizes. They prefer that we not collect any coat that would need dry cleaning.



All should be clean and in excellent shape (no broken zippers or missing buttons). You may bring coats to church now through the end of November and hang them up on the coat racks outside Fellowship Hall. Financial donations are welcome as well. Make your checks out to First UMC and put "Christmas Outreach" in the memo line.

A Friendsgiving Potluck Brunch for families with school aged children and younger will be held Saturday, November 18, 10:00 a.m.-Noon in Fellowship Hall. Please bring a passing dish to share and invite a friend! Beverages will be provided and a turkey themed craft or 2 is planned. Hope to see you there!

Thanksgiving Offerings 2017 - Our Missions Committee is asking the Congregation to monetarily support the following programs for the 2017 Thanksgiving season. Thanksgiving donation envelopes will be inserted in the November 19 bulletins.

- **Local Mission Project:** CCN Nutrition Club. A Mission Committee member will be available at the Nutrition Club display located at the entrance of the church Sunday mornings to answer questions and to take donations for the Nutrition Club. Please make checks payable to FUMC, in the memo write CCN Nutrition Club. You may also place your donation in the collection basket during service, but please place in an envelope stating CCN Nutrition Club.
- **Thanksgiving Offering:** Our Missionary Covenant, the Groves. The donations collected for supporting the Groves will go towards the projects they oversee: PET, school education and physical buildings of the church.

First UMC Preschool Fundraiser - The Preschool will be hosting a Thirtyone Fundraiser until November 17th. The Preschool receives a 25% commission on every item purchased. The November special is, spend \$35 and get the Medium Utility Tote for \$10 or 2 specials for \$20. If you would like to shop, go to www.mythirtyone.com/trudoni or contact Tina Rudoni at 989-506-3363.

UMW News

Please join us for UMW Sunday on November 19 at both services.

2018 Dates to get on your calendars now!

- Feb. 11th - 2:00-4:00 p.m. **Valentine Tea**, for everyone!
- Feb. 24th - 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m., **Annual Women's Spiritual Growth Retreat** with Ruth Jones.
- **District Valentine Tea** will be Sat., Feb. 10th, TBA

Special Prayers This Week

Worshipping at Home

Jim Baker Wilma Blackman Don Felisky Candy & Dale Kohagan Dee Pohl Beverly Wangberg

Prayers

Ruth Cranz - recovering from a broken hip
 AJ Eifler - stroke recovery
Darlene Finch - friend of Debbie Lawrence/health concerns
Rollie Hill - brother-in-law of Dave & Sharon McDonald/health concerns
 Bernie Kelsch - friend of Don & Paula Johnson/cancer recurrence

Gloria Thorin - friend of Don & Paula Johnson/surgery on broken arm
 Family & friends of Karen VanHine - friend of Sue Rummel
Betty Welsh - on the passing of her husband, Bob
John Wolf & family on the passing of his wife, Jan

Note: Names listed in *italics* are new on the prayer list.

Extended Illness and Treatment

Larry Abbott - friend of David Kelley/brain cancer recovery
 J. Paul Andrews - brother of Jean Kramer/hospitalized
 Sidney Benaske - friend of Norma Kreiner/bladder cancer
 Hannah Boley - continued progress after 1 year
 Carol Brannan - continued treatment & recovery
 Deb Briggs - friend of Joyce Pridgeon/cancer
 Mary Bushey - sister-in-law of Denise Anderson/stage 4 liver cancer
 Brother of Linda Traum - continuing health issues
 Marvin Chudej & family - dealing with cancer
 George Clapp - friend of Sandy Schrock/health issues
 Gary Conant - blood clot
 Daughter-in-law of Jane Butcher/cancer diagnosis
 Joan Doherty - sister of Shirley Rosan/cancer
 Debra Fountain - friend of Randy Hetherington/cancer treatment
 A friend with breast cancer
 Tom Gordon - continued recovery
 Natalie Gurley - sister-in-law of Linda Traum/breast cancer treatment
 Betty Hammond - at Medical Care Facility/new health issues
 Jerry Headding - brother of Nancy Lewis/blood clots in lung & leg
 Caesar Hernandez - friend of Janice Tomasik/discontinuing cancer treatment
 High School friend of John Skinner/early onset Alzheimers
 Jennifer - sister-in-law of Randy Hetherington/cancer recurrence & brain surgery recovery
 George Jennings - continued recovery at home
 Joyce - Bruce Schrock's secretary/continued cancer treatment

Cheryl Jose - daughter of Art Homan/continued cancer treatment
 Karen - friend of Holly Bartolo/pancreatic cancer
 Terri Kelly - from Debbie Lawrence/back surgery recovery
 Mary Kleinhans - eye surgery recovery
 Alex Kreth - brother of Melinda Kreth - healing
 Kim - friend of Jane Martin/heart problems
 Leah - from Marianne Smith/chronic heart condition
 LQuinn - friend of Ralph Pitts/cancer treatment
 Joellyn Malmquist - from Rose Benjamin/ALS
 Marlene - friend of Cheri & Randy Recker/cancer surgery recovery & treatment
 Everett McNally - friend of Barry & Sherry Trombly/cancer treatment
 Wayne Lawrence - health issues
 Bob Massongill - cousin of Dave McDonald/continued cancer treatment
 Sheila Parsons - battling cancer
 George Post - brother-in-law of Sandy Schrock/health issues
 Stacey - friend of Marianne Smith/cancer treatments
 Rob - cousin of Deb Skinner/cancer treatment continued success
 Jim Terrill - cousin of Sharon McDonald/continued radiation treatment once a month
 Julene Terrill - cousin of Sharon McDonald/cancer treatment complications with heart condition
 Mary Ulmer - friend of Sandy Schrock/severe health issues
 Clela Underwood - broken foot
 Mindy VanAlstine - daily chemo & radiation treatments for lung cancer at U of M

Family Members Serving in the Military

Sgt. J. D. DeLaOssa - grandson of Fred & Barbara Stabley has returned safely from Syria.

Petty Officer 3rd Class Cort Collins - grandson of Carla Starr/will depart for Basic Training in Great Lakes, IL on 12/27/2017.

Please help us keep the prayer concerns updated by calling the church office with up to date information about your prayer requests. Thank you.



Periscope Viewers

10/29/17	9:00 am	123	55
	11:00 am	<u>48</u>	<u>19</u>
		171	74

Loose coin offering Community Cancer Services of Isabella Co. for October was \$262.00.

WORSHIP SERVICES CAN BE SEEN ON CHANNEL 191

Traditional Worship Service: Tuesday - 7:00 pm,
 Wednesday - 2:50 pm, & Saturday - 6:30 pm

Contemporary Worship Service:
 Wednesday - 6:00 am, Friday - 6:30 pm & Sunday - 7:00 pm

Worship Services from the previous week can also be seen on CHANNEL 187 on Sunday only: Traditional Service at 9:00 am & Contemporary Service at 11:00 am

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 To watch music & sermons on YouTube click the link on our website