

## Events

### Sunday, Sept 1

9:00 AM Worship Service

### Monday, Sept 2 (Labor Day)

\*Offices closed

### Tuesday, Sept 3

9:30 AM Loving Care

2:15 AM Communion at PARC Hall

### Wednesday, Sept 4

1:30 PM Upper Room @Emerald Oaks

5:30 PM Jr. UMYF

6:30 PM Sr. UMYF

### Thursday, Sept 5

2:00 PM Emerald Oaks Monthly Service

4:30 PM Praise Team Practice

6:00 PM Intensified Prayer @War Room

### Friday, Sept 6

\*Church offices closed

9:00 AM Men's Prayer Group in Narthex

### Sunday, Sept 8

9:00 AM Sunday School Begins!

10:00 AM Worship Service



- Liturgist
- Greeters
- Acolytes
- Ushers
- Children's Sermon
- Shekinah praise team

- Teach/Lead Sunday School and/or Youth Group
- Provide snacks and meals for Jr. & Sr. UMYF
- Music ministry during Prelude or Offering time
- Provide coffee and snacks for fellowship following worship service
- Pick up people who need a ride to worship service
- Support in prayers
- many other opportunities available or waiting to be created by YOU!

## Coming up in September & October

Sept 8

Sunday School Begins 9 AM

Adult Sunday School Begins 9 AM

Worship Service at 10 AM

Confirmation Class begins  
following Worship Service

Sept 21

Lay ServantTraining in Algona 8am

## Birthdays & \*Anniversaries

September

- 1 \*Brian & Tami Culver
- 2 Justin Salas
- 3 Halle Ditch
- 4 \*Doug & Marie Merrill
- 5 \*Todd & Brenda Bell
- 6 Richard Bisenius
- 7 \*Kort & Sheri Freeman
- 8 Madilyn Hall

## Empowering EFUMC Ministry

General Fund	\$ 2,120.00
Endowment	
-In Memory Rick Jones	\$ 25.00
Family Life Center	\$ 2,400.00
Total	\$ 4,520.00

## Attendance 8/25/19

100

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.

## Emmetsburg First United Methodist Church

Since February 12, 1872



Pastor Rev. Hojin Shin

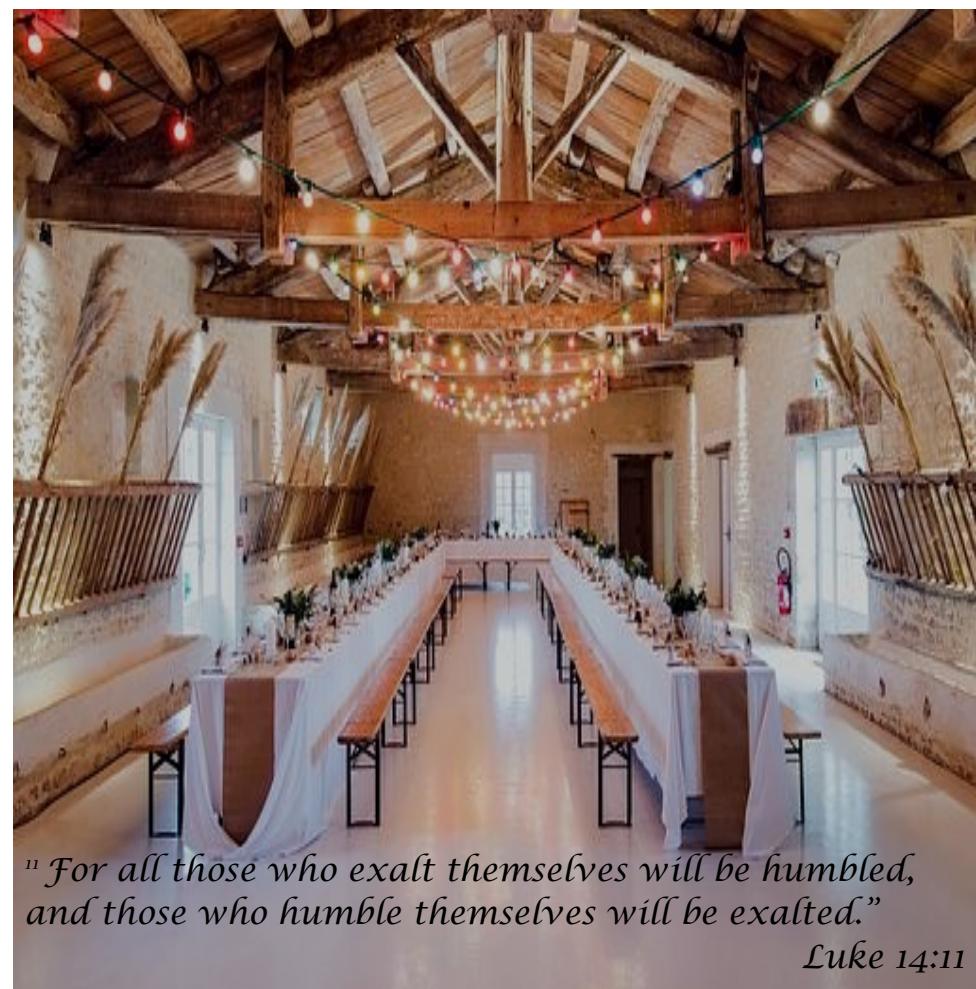
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## 12th Sunday after Pentecost

Sept 1, 2019, 9:00 AM



"For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled,  
and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

Luke 14:11

**Welcome!** We're glad you're here.

When you see the [\*], people are invited to arise as able.

Hymns No. 57-734 are in the red hymnal (*The United Methodist Hymnal*),  
2000's are in the black hymnal (*The Faith We Sing*).

**Liturgist** Kent Klootwyk

**Organist** Rosemary Matthews

**Presentation Operator** Embrock Family

#### Prelude

#### Bringing In the Light of Christ

#### Announcements

#### \* Call to Worship

L: God says, "I am the fountain of living water.

I will feed you with the finest of wheat,  
with honey from the rock.

You who have wandered far from me,  
return to me, return to me.

You who have gathered close,  
stay near, stay near.

I am the fountain of living water."

P: You are our strength.

You are our helper.

You are our life.

You are our joy!

\* Opening Hymn 57 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing (Verses 1-5,7)

\* Opening Prayer

This morning, O God,  
your voice sounds into our lives again.

We are grateful to hear your call,  
for on many mornings  
we hear other voices—  
voices urging us to care only about ourselves;  
voices urging us to serve other gods:  
our work, our bank accounts, our egos,

#### In our Prayers...

Linda Jones, Beverly Hatfield, Abby Burns, Rosie Culbertson, Florence Malm,  
Deb Weir, Richard Henrichs, Will Farlow, Carol Ensley, Joyce Muller,  
Lincoln Coakley (grandson of Joann Coakley), Scott Sanne (Grandson of Pearl  
Whitmore), Philip Christenson (brother of Marge Solberg), Kort Freeman,  
Lois Lowman, Ted Strohman, Jane Stevens, Vi Sampson, Marjorie Solberg,  
Deb Nissen (sister-in-law of Deb Wickman)

\*The families of those members who have passed away in  
this past year including: Rick Jones, Wayne Truog,  
Keith Bare, Gwen Carmichael, Bev Hankey, Vida Krough,  
Ethel DeJung, Shirley Weisbrod, Bernece Hersom,  
Bette Miller, Vicki Truog, Mary Helen Morling, Jim Coakley,  
and Cindy Kassel

\*Those who have been hospitalized and our military members.

#### Have you thought about or felt called to serve in ministry?

Lay Servant training is coming up

in September and October.

Northwest District

Lay

Servant/Speaker

Training

Saturday,

October 5

8:00 am to 6:00 pm

Sioux City

First UMC

Register by

September 25



North Central District

Lay

Servant/Speaker

Training

Saturday,

September 21

8:00 am-6:00 pm

Algona

First UMC

Register by

September 13

By water and the Spirit  
he calls us to continue his work  
until we and all peoples feast  
at his heavenly banquet.

And so,  
in remembrance of these  
your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,  
we offer ourselves to live daily  
as a holy and living sacrifice,  
in union with Christ's offering for us,  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

#### The Lord's Prayer

#### Giving the Bread and Cup

#### Prayer after Receiving

Lord,  
you now have set your servants free  
to go in peace as you have promised.  
For these eyes of ours have seen the Savior  
whom you have prepared for all the world to see!  
Blessing and honor and glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.

#### Offering

\* **Doxology** 95 Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

\* **Closing Hymn** 553 And Are We Yet Alive

\* **Blessing**

\* **Song of Sending Forth** 672 God Be with You till We Meet Again (Verse 1)

**"God Is Good All the Time!"**



Live in harmony with one another.  
Do not be proud,  
but be willing to associate  
with people of low position.  
Do not be conceited.

our peer groups, our ideologies.

By the end of the week,  
we feel trapped in our anxiety, our work, our spending  
our need for control, and our excuses.

And then we hear your voice again,  
calling us to your healing care,  
to your spacious freedom,  
to your giving humility.

We come to rest and be fed.  
Call us to your freeing love again.  
Feed us now, God of our strength. Amen.

**Children's Message** Brenda Gonzales

**Joys Concerns Prayers**

\* **Scripture Reading** Luke 14:1, 7-14

**Message of Life "Party Manual"** Hojin Shin

**Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God,  
we find it hard to see in ourselves  
the trappings our society so admires and serves—  
power, wealth, and access that forget mutual love.  
We fail to see our allegiance to these dangerous gods—  
rushing for places of honor,  
scorning the humble and lowly,  
supporting systems that survive on greed and abuse.  
Forgive us when we are fearful  
that there is not enough.  
Remind us that you are enough.  
Teach us your generosity.  
Teach us your world-changing humility.  
Teach us your expansive love.  
Transform us and heal our lives. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon**

God's promises are not only to our ancestors,  
they are to us as well:

"I will feed you with the finest of wheat;  
with honey from the rock I will satisfy you."  
In the living God, we are forgiven.

## Holy Communion

### Greeting (Psalm 127: 1-2)

Unless the Lord builds the house,  
those who build it labor in vain.  
**Unless the Lord guards the city,  
the guard keeps watch in vain.**  
It is in vain that you rise up early  
and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil;  
**for God gives sleep to his beloved.**

### The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.

**We praise you for all  
who labor for the common good  
and for those whose service is unappreciated.**  
**We thank you for children whose play is  
the work of learning to live in the world.**  
**We thank you for disciples who are obedient  
to the promptings of your Spirit in all their relationships.**

**We thank you for your yearning mercy  
that waits for us to make  
all our hours and days participation  
in your healing and blessing  
of the earth and all peoples.**

You made us in your image  
and set us in a lush garden as caretakers.  
When we chose to have it all to ourselves,  
you turned our freedom to the toil for survival.  
When we cried out in our misery,

you delivered us from captivity  
and made covenant to be our sovereign God.  
By the prophets you called us to return to you  
and delight in good food without price.  
You confronted us  
with the waste of laboring apart from you,  
and you asked us,  
"Why do you spend your money  
for that which is not bread,  
and your labor for that which does not satisfy? ...  
Incline your ear, and come to me;  
listen, so that you may live." (Isaiah 55:2-3)

And so,  
with your people on earth  
and all the company of heaven  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:  
**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**  
**Hosanna in the highest.**  
**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**  
**Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.  
Anointed with your Spirit,  
his food was to do your will and to complete it.  
He took the common things of daily life,  
blessed them, and broke and shared them  
so that all were satisfied.

He told those who followed him,  
"Do not work for the food that perishes,  
but for the food that endures for eternal life."  
He confronted the powers of greed and evil  
at the cost of his life,  
but you triumphed over death  
and placed him at your right hand  
to intercede for his disciples  
until the feast of eternal life.