

### Birthdays...

10 Kim Gustafson  
 12 Debbie Kassel  
 13 Dan Zeigler  
 16 Hazel Hoch

### Anniversaries...

11 Mark & Angie Strohman  
 14 James & Maggie Bramley

### Attendance ...

11/3/19 123

### Empowering

### EFUMC Ministry...

General Fund \$ 3,075.35  
 Family Life \$ 1,500.00  
 Center  
 Brunch \$ 466.00  
 Total \$ 5,041.35

\* Please make ALL checks payable to First United Methodist Church. You can designate a ministry in the memo line on the bottom left of the check. Thank You!

*We are now taking donations for the Harvest Auction. Please see Jackie in the office, if you have any questions or donations to drop off. Thank you!*



### This Week...

#### **Sunday, November 10**

9:00 AM Sunday School  
 10:00 AM Worship Service  
 11:30 AM Confirmation  
 6:00 PM Boy Scouts in the basement

#### **Monday, November 11 (Veteran's Day)**

4:00 PM Intercessory Prayer @Emerald Oaks  
 4:30 PM Girls Scouts @Family Life Center

#### **Tuesday, November 12**

4:30 PM Praise Team Practice  
 4:30 PM Just for Kix in basement  
 6:00 PM Intensified Prayer @War Room

#### **Wednesday, November 13**

1:30 PM Upper Room Bible Study @Emerald Oaks  
 3:30 PM 345 ALIVE in basement  
 5:30 PM Jr UMYF in basement  
 6:00 PM Bell Choir Practice in Sanctuary  
 6:30 PM Sr UMYF @Family Life Center

#### **Friday, November 15**

*\*Office Closed*

9:30 AM Men's Prayer Group in the Library  
 12:00 PM Horizon's Bingo @Family Life Center

#### **Saturday, November 16**

9:00 AM Harvest Dinner Potato Peeling @Family Life Center

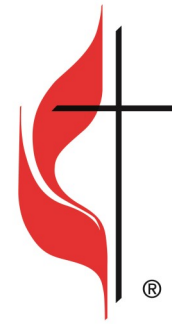
#### **Sunday, November 17**

9:00 AM Sunday School  
 10:00 AM Worship Service  
 11:30 AM Confirmation  
 6:00 PM Boy Scouts in the basement

### **God's Harvest Dinner & Auction**

November 24  
 11:30 AM  
 Following  
 the Church Service

Dinner with Live and Silent Auctions



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#### **Call to Worship & Opening Prayer**

Haggai 1:15b-2:9;  
 Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21;  
 2 Thess. 2:1-5, 13-17;  
 Luke 20:27-38

America  
 (My Country, 'Tis of Thee)  
 When Martin Luther King Jr. made his famous "I have a dream" speech on August 28, 1963, from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C., to over 200,000 civil rights supporters, the refrain

**Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost  
 November 10, 2019, 10:00AM**

***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).*

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

#### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised!  
**P: Each day God brings to us new opportunities to learn and grow.**  
 L: God is near to all of us.  
**P: We will not fear to call upon the Lord.**  
 L: Come, let us praise God who walks with us daily.  
**P: Let us open our hearts and spirits to God who loves and lives with us.**  
**A: AMEN.**

#### **\*OPENING HYMN**

697 My Country 'Tis of Thee

#### **\*OPENING PRAYER**

**Lord God of love and peace, open our hearts today to receive the invitation of Jesus to come and be present in our lives. Release us from our smallness and create an atmosphere of confession and healing love in our hearts and our spirits. For we ask these things in Jesus' Name, AMEN.**

#### **PRAISE AND WORSHIP**

"Your Love Awakens Me" by Phil Wickham  
 "No Longer a Slave" by Bethel Music

#### **CHILDREN'S SERMON** Brenda Gonzales

-- "Let freedom ring!" -- that climaxed this famous speech came from Samuel Smith's patriotic hymn. Samuel Smith (1808-1895) wrote the hymn in 1831 and Martin Luther King's speech took place 132 years later -- a testimony to the power of a song to shape and maintain an idea.

It is not until the final stanza that God and country are linked. The author offers a prayer of petition to God to maintain "freedom's holy light" in our land and to "protect us by thy might."

**His Eye Is on the Sparrow**

The song was obviously inspired by Matthew 6:26: "Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?"

Later in Matthew (10:29-31), the Gospel writer continues on this theme: "Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? And one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows." Similar thoughts are cited in Luke 12:6-7. Stanza two quotes part of John 14:1 directly, "Let not your heart be troubled..."

**JOYS CONCERNS PRAYERS**

**\*SCRIPTURE READING** Matthew 4:8-11

<sup>8</sup>*Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor.*

<sup>9</sup>*"All this I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me."*

<sup>10</sup>*Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.'"*

<sup>11</sup>*Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.*

**CHANCEL CHOIR**

**MESSAGE OF LIFE**

Series-7 Things Christians Must Have - GENEROSITY  
 "5. Guard Yourselves From Every Kind of Greed"

**OFFERING**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

95 Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

**\*OFFERTORY**

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

2246 His Eye Is on the Sparrow

**\*BLESSING**

**\*SONG OF SENDING FORTH**

696 America the Beautiful (Verse 1)

**POSTLUDE**

*"God Is Good All the Time!"*

**SERMON NOTE** 7 Things Christians Must Have - GENEROSITY  
 Matthew 4:8-11 **Guard Yourselves from Every Kind of Greed**

**A. Greed in the Bible**

1. Satan tested Jesus, Job, Balaam (Numbers 22:21-31), Achan (Jushua 7:21), Ahab (1 Kings 21:1-16), Gehazi (2 Kings 5: 20-27), Ananias & Sapphira (Acts 5:1-6)
2. *πλεονεξία, πηξ* - "strong desires"

**B. Characteristics of Greed**

1. Never say "It's \_\_\_\_\_!" (enough)
2. "stinginess" & "squander"
3. 7 Daughters - treachery, fraud, falsehood, perjury, restlessness, violence, heartlessness against mercy

4. Idolatry

- a root of all kinds of evil (1 Timothy 6:10)
- greed is idolatry (Colossians 3:5)
- a greedy person is an idolater (Ephesians 5: 5)
- Deuteronomy 8:19  
 If you ever forget the Lord your God and follow other gods and worship and bow down to them, I testify against you today that you will surely be destroyed.

**C. How to Overcome Greed**

**1. Be satisfied with only \_\_\_\_\_ (God)**

- Matthew 6:25-33

- 1 Timothy 6:17

**2. Be Content and Live \_\_\_\_\_ (Simple)**

- Philippians 4:11

- Simple lifestyle

\* *Ronald Sider* - 1. must-haves, 2. useful things, 3. unnecessary things, 4. luxury

\* *Richard Foster* - "Will this satisfy God?"

**3. \_\_\_\_\_ (Give)**

- Be Generous (Luke 11:37-41)

- Zacchaeus' Give (Luke 19:8)

- John Wesley - "Gain all you can, save all you can, and give all you can."

- Luke 12:15

"Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions."

**D. Sharing**

1. Why can greed be viewed as idolatry?
2. How does greed affect our neighbors and relationships?
3. Are there any parts of your life that are currently greedy?
4. Can Giving/Sharing be an active way to overcome greed? What can you give, and how?

**Liturgist** Deb Wickman

**Pianist** Kelley Fog

**Choir Director** Dave Fog

**Computer** Anderson Family

*In Our Prayers ...*

- Steve & Lynne Farnsworth
- Karen Chism
- Sharon Hobart
- Jane Stevens
- Devin Morey
- Abby Burns
- Deb Weir
- Irene Goff
- Florence Malm
- 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 Strohmman
- Deb Nissen (sister-in-law of Deb Wickman)
- Marjorie Solberg
- Vi Sampson

*\*The families of members who passed away, this past year including:*

- Bonnie Powers
- Rick Jones
- Daryl Underwood
- Wayne Truog
- Keith Bare
- Gwen Carmichael
- Bev Hankey
- Vida Krough
- Ethel DeJung
- Shirley Weisbrod,
- Bernece Hersom

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