

Birthdays...

19 Rosemary Culbertson
20 Kourtney Kogel
22 Creighton Zeigler
23 Kathy Cooke

Anniversaries...

18 Troy & Missy Hall
20 Dale & Lisa Siebrecht
Dean & Dawn Jensen
22 Darin & Tricia Adams

Attendance ...

11/10/19 141

Empowering

EFUMC Ministry...

Gen. Fund \$ 9,450.64
Trustees \$ 617.00
Total \$ 10,067.64

* 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 17

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

Monday, November 18

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

Tuesday, November 19

4:30 PM Praise Team Practice
4:30 PM Just for Kix in basement
5:15 PM MOPS in the Narthex
6:00 PM Intensified Prayer @War Room

Wednesday, November 20

1:30 PM Upper Room Bible Study @Emerald Oaks
1:30 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

Thursday, November 21

2:00 pm Trinity/PALS @Sharon Hobart's home

Friday, November 22

**Office Closed*

9:30 AM Men's Prayer Group in the Library
12:00 PM Horizon's Bingo @Family Life Center
4:00 PM Begin setting up for Harvest Dinner & Auction

Sunday, November 24

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship Service

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 are derived from today's lectionary; Isaiah 65:17-25; Isaiah 12; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19

We Know That Christ Is Raised

Based on Romans 6:3-11, the first line of this hymn draws heavily upon Romans 6:9, "We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him." In the history of the church,

**Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost
November 17, 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: Come people of God;
come and celebrate God's gift of salvation.

P: **We come without fear.
We come trusting in God**

L: Come people of God;
hear God's promises and witness God's mighty deeds.

P: **In hearing the promises,
in witnessing the mighty deeds of God,
we are strengthened for all that lies ahead.**

A: **Come, let us worship and praise God
by shouting aloud and singing for joy,
for God truly is in our midst.**

***OPENING HYMN**

691 Jesus Loves Me

***OPENING PRAYER**

**Our loving and caring God,
we need this time together
to be united with our sisters and brothers
in the faith;
we need this time of worship
to be comforted and strengthened
in your presence.**

**We hear of wars and rumors of wars.
We read of persecution and oppression.
Remind us again of your vision,
that all might live in a world
of peace and justice and love.**

baptism and Easter are inexorably linked. The catechumens—those studying the doctrines of the church during Lent—enter into the mystery of baptism during the Easter Vigil.

“The hymn attempted to illustrate the Christian doctrine of baptism in relation to those experiments,” Rev. John Brownlow Geyer wrote later. Though originally intended as a hymn for the sacrament of baptism, it has become popular as an Easter hymn.

**May this time together
imprint this vision and promise on our hearts,
that we may live into this beloved community.
Amen.**

BELL CHOIR

CHILDREN’S SERMON Jeanelle Stokes

JOYS CONCERNS PRAYERS

*SCRIPTURE READING John 3:1-8

¹Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. ²He came to Jesus at night and said, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.”

³Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.”

⁴“How can someone be born when they are old?” Nicodemus asked. “Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother’s womb to be born!”

⁵Jesus answered, “Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. ⁶Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. ⁷You should not be surprised at my saying, ‘You must be born again.’ ⁸The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.”

MESSAGE OF LIFE “Are You Born Again?” Rev. Hojin Shin

BAPTISM Kash Anthony Glienke

Parents: Tyeler & Chelsea Glienke

Sponsors: Tegan Olson & Jordan Williams

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

95 Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

*OFFERTORY

*CLOSING HYMN

610 We Know That Christ is Raised

*BLESSING

*SONG OF SENDING FORTH

2166 Christ Beside Me (Verse 1)

POSTLUDE

“God Is Good All the Time!”

FAQs about Baptism and Salvation

1. What does United Methodism believe about baptism?

A: Baptism is a sacrament. In a sacrament, God uses common elements -- in this case, water -- as means or vehicles of divine grace. Baptism is administered by the church as the Body of Christ. It is *the act of God* through the grace of Jesus Christ and the work of the Holy Spirit.

2. What is the difference between infant and believer's baptism?

A: In all forms of Christian baptism, God claims those being baptized, whatever their age or ability to profess their faith, with divine grace. Clearly an infant can do nothing to save himself or herself, but is totally dependent on God's grace, as we all are.

3. Isn't it better to wait until they are older and let our children decide for themselves whether or not they want to be baptized?

A: (Yes / No). As parents, we make many decisions in matters of health, safety, education, ... for our children. This is responsibility to do all that we can for them spiritually.

4. May I be baptized again if I feel the need?

A: (Yes / No), baptism is an act of God, and God does it right the first time.

5. Does baptism mean that I am saved?

A: (Yes / No), salvation is a lifelong process during which we must continue to respond to God's grace. Baptism offers the promise that the Holy Spirit will always be working in our lives, but salvation requires our acceptance of that grace, trust in Christ, and ongoing growth in holiness as long as we live.

6. Do I have to be baptized in order to be saved?

A: (Yes / No), but baptism is a gift of God's grace to be received as part of the journey of salvation.

7. Does baptism make me a member of the church?

A: (Yes / No), baptism is the act of initiation and incorporation into the universal church of Jesus Christ, The United Methodist Church, and the Emmetsburg First UMC congregation, as our ritual makes very clear.

resource from Discipleship Ministries

<https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/faqs-about-baptism-membership-and-salvation>

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 Strohman

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,

**Those who have been*

hospitalized & our military

members.

Liturgist

Bev Schmidt

Organist

Rosemary Matthews

Pianist

Kelley Fog

Choir Director

Dave Fog

Bell Choir Director

Melody Flynn

Computer

Duhn Family