

Birthdays...

- 2 Janice Kassel
- 3 Irene Goff
- 4 Tammy Naig
Jim Tonderum
- 5 Jodi Ward
Jaden Ward
- 7 Steven Hoyman

Anniversaries...

- 7 Steven Schiek & Daunyle
Sporaa-Schiek

Attendance ...

11/24/19 161

Empowering

EFUMC Ministry...

General Fund	\$ 4,500.00
FLC Bldg Fund	\$ 7,280.00
Sr. UMYF	\$ 30.00
Harvest Dinner & Auction	\$ 11,192.00
Total	\$ 23,002.00



This is the last week to take a tag off the tree and adopt a family to give Christmas gifts to. If you have already picked up a tag, please return it by Sunday, Dec 8th, so everything can be sorted and delivered on Monday the 9th. If you have questions contact Rosie Argabright at 852-3610.

This Week...

Sunday, December 1

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

Monday, December 2

- 9:30 am Loving Care Ministry
- 1:30 pm Communion @Emmetsburg Care Center
- 2:15 PM Communion @PARC Hall
- 4:00 PM Intercessory Prayer @Emerald Oaks
- 4:30 PM Girls Scouts @Family Life Center

Tuesday, December 3

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

Wednesday, December 4

- 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, December 5

- 2:00 PM Emerald Oaks Monthly Service

Friday, December 6

**Office Closed*

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

Saturday, December 7

- 10:00 AM Christmas Baking & Fellowship @FLC

Sunday, December 8

- 9:00 AM Sunday School
- 10:00 AM Worship Service
- 11:30 AM Confirmation



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Advent Candle Lighting,
Call to Worship
and Opening Prayer
derived from:
Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122;
Romans 13:11-14;
Matthew 24:36-44

Liturgist
Bev Schmidt
Organist
Rosemary Matthews
Pianist
Kelley Fog
Choir Director
Dave Fog
Bell Choir Director
Melanie Flynn
Computer Operator
Embrock Family

First Sunday in Advent

December 1, 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

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING First Sunday in Advent

Reader One:

Our Advent journey begins with rules of the road.
We are on the way to where God would have us be,
and we're not there yet. But how shall we go? We shall
go together, as one body, living and trusting in one
another. We shall go as this community of faith, working
side by side, and leaning into the grace of God every step
of the way. We shall go in peace.

Reader Two:

Isaiah says that in days to come, the nations shall stream
to the mountain of the Lord, and there we will beat
swords into plowshares and spears into pruning
hooks; there, we will learn war no more. God will teach
us peace.

Reader One:

We light this first candle to burn as sign of peace among
all people.

(Light one candle on the wreath.)

Reader Two: Come, let us go up to the mountain of the
Lord, that God may teach us the ways of peace.

All: Come, O Come, Emmanuel.

**O Come, O Come,
Emmanuel**

9th-Century Latin hymn
The United Methodist
Hymnal, No. 211. This hymn,
originally in Latin, takes us
back over 1,200 years to
monastic life in the 8th- or
9th-century. Seven days
before Christmas Eve
monasteries would sing the
“O antiphons” in anticipation
of Christmas Eve.

British hymnologist
J.R. Watson provides a
context for the antiphons on
the second page after the
hymn in the UM Hymnal:
“The antiphons, sometimes
called the ‘O antiphons’ or
‘The Great O’s’, were
designed to concentrate the
mind on the coming
Christmas, enriching the
meaning of the Incarnation
with a complex series of
references from the Old and
New Testaments.” Each
antiphon begins as follows:
O Sapientia (Wisdom)
O Adonai (Hebrew word for God)
O Radix Jesse (stem or root
of Jesse)
O Clavis David (key of David)
O Oriens (dayspring)
O Rex genitium (King of the
Gentiles)
O Emmanuel
Put together, the first letter of
the second word of each
antiphon spells SARCORE. If
read backwards, the letters
form a two-word acrostic,
“Ero cras,” meaning “I will be
present tomorrow.”

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: I was glad when they said to me,

P: let us go to the house of the Lord!

L: In days to come, the mountain of the Lord’s house
Shall be established as the highest of the mountains

P: Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord!

***OPENING HYMN**

211 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

***OPENING PRAYER**

When, O God, will the day of peace come?

**When will the nations stream to your holy mountain
and beat their swords into plowshares?**

**When will the long night of war and hatred,
give way to the dawn of love, righteousness,
and joy?**

We are ready for the dawn, O God.

**Shine your light into our world,
mighty One of peace.**

**Illuminate the path,
and give us the wisdom and courage
to follow your light.**

We pray in the name of the Prince of Peace. Amen.

CHILDREN’S SERMON Brenda Gonzales

JOYS CONCERNS PRAYERS

***SCRIPTURE READINGS**

2 Timothy 2:22

*²Flee the evil desires of youth and pursue
righteousness, faith, love and peace,
along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.*

Proverbs 4:23

*²³Above all else, guard your heart,
for everything you do flows from it.*

Psalms 119:9

*⁹How can a young person stay on the path of purity?
By living according to your word.*

MESSAGE OF LIFE

Series - 7 Things Christians Must Have - Spiritual Purity

7. Flee from Evil Desires

D. How to Overcome Lust

1. _____ the Situation

(Avoid)

- Job 31:1
I made a covenant with my eyes
not to look lustfully at a young woman.
- Proverbs 6:29
So is he who sleeps with another man’s wife;
no one who touches her will go unpunished.
- Ephesians 5:3
But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality,
or of any kind of impurity, or of greed,
because these are improper for God’s holy people.

2. Penetrate the _____ of Today

(Lie)

- “I have a right to enjoy whatever with whoever I want.”
- “No one has the right to point at me, it’s my life.”
- “Sexual pleasure is worth pursuing more than anything.”

3. Pleasure From Being with God

- St. Augustine
physical addictions can be replaced with the pleasure from God
- Psalm 119:9, 11
9 How can a young person stay on the path of purity?
By living according to your word.
11 I have hidden your word in my heart
that I might not sin against you.
- 2 Timothy 2:22
Flee the evil desires of youth
and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace,
along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

Sharing

1. What is the difference between lust, natural desire, and love?
2. Do you agree with the claim that the less motivated and energetic life is the easier it is to indulge in lust?
3. Lust is sin in itself, but it is connected with other sins.
What are the sins that cause lust and the sins that results from lust?
4. For women, how can motives and forms of lust differ from men?
5. How should we live as Christians in times when sexual attraction is considered virtue and power?
6. Under what circumstances are you tempted by lust? How do you overcome?

7 Things Christians Must Have - SPIRITUAL PURITY/INTEGRITY

2 Timothy 2:22 “7. Flee from Evil Desires”

A. Physical Desire

1. God’s creative _____ for being fruitful and increasing (gift)
2. Matthew 5:28 (*The Message*)
Your *heart* can be corrupted by lust even quicker than your *body*.
Those leering looks you think nobody notices—they also corrupt.

B. Lust - Physical and Spiritual Sin

1. Evagrius and Cassianus
 - a physical evil
 - a basic human sin
2. Gluttony → Sloth(lazy) → Irrationality → Indecent → Obscene Joke → Lust (mind)
 - Physical sin starts in the _____
3. Matthew 15:19
For out of the heart come evil thoughts
—murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false testimony, slander.
4. Proverbs 4:23
Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.

C. Causes and Effects of Lust

1. Sloth
 - David and Bathsheba
 - ennui, when there is no satisfaction in life
 - during the middle age
 - successful in life
 - fall down
2. Miserable End
 - Proverbs 5:3-4
3 For the lips of the adulterous woman drip honey,
and her speech is smoother than oil;
4 but in the end she is bitter as gall,
sharp as a double-edged sword.
 - Proverbs 6:28
Can a man walk on hot coals without his feet being scorched?
 - Proverbs 7:23
an arrow pierces his liver, like a bird darting into a snare,
little knowing it will cost him his life.
 - Amnon (2 Samuel 13:1-22)
 - Potiphar’s wife
 - David broke 7th, 6th, 8th, 10th commandment
3. Galatians 5:19
The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery;

*HOLY COMMUNION

Prepare the way of the Lord!

Straighten our crooked paths, O God!

The day of the Christ’s coming draws near.

Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

The spirit of the Lord is in this place.

Pray through us now, Holy Spirit.

Pray through us now,

that we may praise you,

Holy, Triune God,

with angels and archangels,

with beings in heaven and all creatures on earth,

with all who have ever sung this hymn of praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of Hosts,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you, Jesus Christ,

Word made flesh,

making all things new.

Blessed are you, Jesus Christ!

Blessed are you, Holy Spirit,

dissolving every chain of sin that binds us,

rebuking every power that enslaves,

purifying our hearts,

challenging every action not moved by love,

and setting all creation free.

Blessed are you, Holy Spirit.

Blessed are you, El Shaddai,

feeding your people,

gathering us like lambs in your arms,

and leading us to life eternal.

Blessed are you, El Shaddai!

We know the end that lies before us and all things:

The elemental powers of this universe

shall be burned away,

the heavens vaporized,

Ways to Serve...

Liturgist

Greeters

Acolytes

Ushers

Children’s Sermon

Shekinah praise team

Teach Sunday School

Lead Youth Group

Provide snacks

for 345 Alive

Provide meals

for Jr/Sr UMYF

Operate Computer

during Worship Services

Serve on Committees

Help with special projects and

events as needed

Support in prayers

Nursery Available...

Nursery care is available

during the worship service for

children (Newborns up to the

second grade). The nursery

is on the second floor.

Although nursery care is

provided during the

worship service,

Children are welcome

and encouraged

to participate

in our worship services.

In Our Prayers ...

Loved ones of Donald Krough
Loved ones of Roger Hanish
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 & loved ones of
members who passed away,
this past year including:*

Mardell Truog
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.*

the earth and all our doings exposed for all to see.

We know the end, and we tremble.

We also know your promise,
out of conflagration to re-create,
out of chaos to re-order,
out of such destruction to renew.

We know your promise, and we rejoice.

We rejoice, for you are with us,
coming to us in flesh long ago,
coming into our flesh in bread and cup at this,
Christ's table,
coming into this world through your Church
in the power of the Spirit,
and coming again to complete what you have begun,
and now feed us to continue.

Feed us, O God.

Feed us as Jesus fed his disciples
on the night he was betrayed,
taking bread, blessing you, breaking it,
saying to those to whom he gave it:

This is my body given for you.

Take, eat, and remember me.

Quench our thirst now as Jesus did that night,
taking cup, giving thanks to you,
and saying to those to whom he gave it:

This is my blood poured out for you.

Drink, and remember me.

Only you can feed us, God.

Only you can make us holy.

Only you can prepare us for the end to come.

Only you can purify our hearts.

So come, Holy Spirit,
on these gifts of bread and wine,
and on us.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Feed us with the bread that lasts forever,
the body of Christ.

Slake our thirst with the cup of immortality,
the blood of Christ.

Come, Holy Spirit.

And so nourish us in holy living,
today and all our days,
that on that day
when all things are recreated,
and on these days
as we wait for the fullness to come,
the world may see and know in us
the love that moves the universe
to its true end in new beginning
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**By him, with him, and in him,
united in the power of the Holy Spirit,
all honor and glory are yours,
seated upon the Throne,
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY**

95 Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

***OFFERTORY**

***CLOSING HYMN**

469 Jesus is All the World to Me

***BLESSING**

***SONG OF SENDING FORTH**

245 The First Noel (verse 1)

POSTLUDE

"God Is Good All the Time!"



"Jesus Is All the World to Me"

"Jesus is all the world to me" first appeared in a collection prepared by the author, New Century Hymnal (1904).

William Thompson was born on November 7, 1847 in East Liverpool, Ohio. He was the youngest of seven children. Thompson seemed to always have a goal of being a musician and was composing songs by the time he was a teenager. He had the rare gift of being both a lyricist and a composer. He attended the Boston Conservatory of Music and pursued additional musical study in Leipzig, Germany, where J.S. Bach had served as a church and civic musician in the 18th century.

As a composer, Thompson achieved recognition for his contributions to patriotic and other secular songs, but his primary interest was composing sacred songs. He became a successful music publisher, establishing Will L. Thompson & Co. offices in East Liverpool and Chicago.

He became known as a great writer and composer of gospel songs and hymns, which also included Lead Me Gently Home, Father and Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling.

Hymnologist Kenneth Osbeck describes Thompson's personality as: "He was always known as a kind, quiet and unassuming Christian gentleman, greatly loved and admired by his associates."