

Happy Birthday!

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| 3 Don Erlandson | 6 Riley Nickel |
| Jean Doeden | 7 David Hokeness |
| 4 Marcus Maras | 8 Ky Ruppert |
| Mary Monthei | 9 Jeffrey Ludes |
| 6 James Ruppert | |

Our Church Family

Each week throughout the year, we pray intentionally for families from all of our churches - please include these families in your prayer life this week.

Elizabeth Bushard
Lois Carlberg
Lowell Carlson
Craig & Madonna Carlson
Jade, Cole & Evan Swank
Mary VanHorsen
Preston Vortherms
Braxton Vortherms
Gloria Klumper
Timothy Kor



PRAYER CORNER

Prayers for immediate health concerns:

Pat Grimmus	Rhoda Flinck
Gary Hibma	Diane Yahnke
Karen Schulz	

Persons impacted by COVID 19:

Mary Prins	COVID Long-haulers
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Prayers for those dealing with cancer:

Glen Crowley	
Connie Bramer	(Betty Taarud's daughter)
Anthony Tate	(Corky & Ginny's grandson)
Laurie Blume	
Scott Klooster	
Kristi Johnson	(Dave/Linda Reese's daughter)
Sheryl	(Thelma Yager's sister)
Makenzie Gist	(Nancy Galland's niece)

Persons recovering/dealing with health issues:

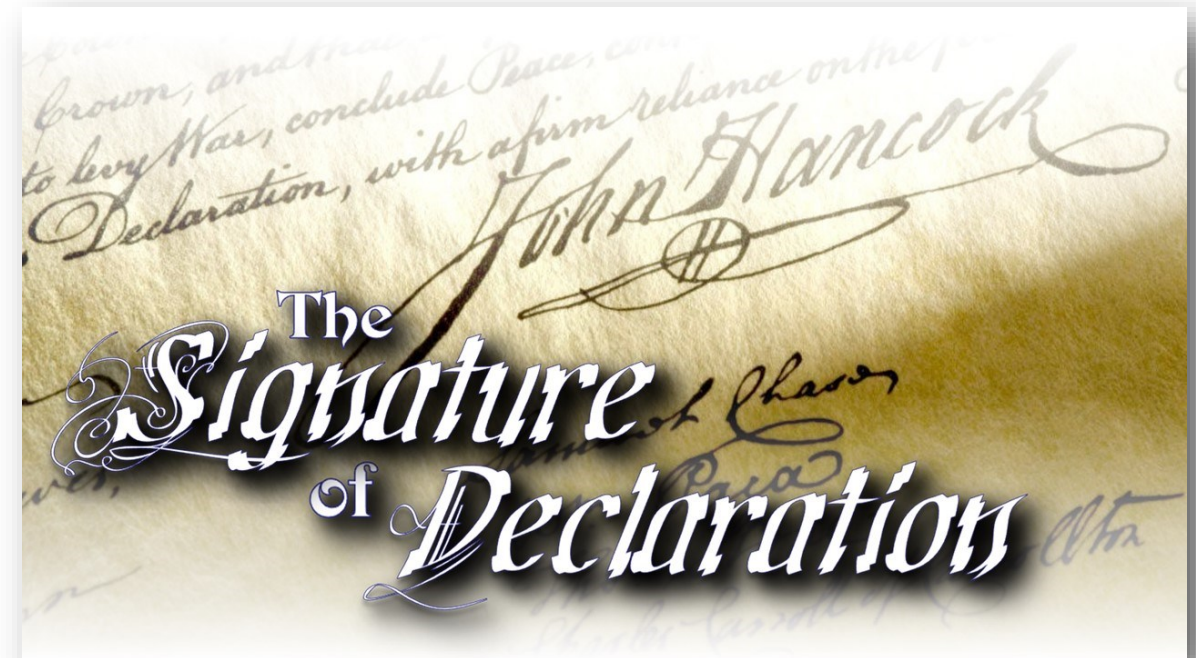
Bob Shore	Tim Yager
Etta Schroeder	Marlene Wieneke
Dianne Dalrymple	Nancy Hyink
Rick Dalrymple	Claribel Grussing
Elaine Mess	John Clease
Henry Mess	Bruce Lease
Weston Erlandson	Steve Timmons
Monica Veil	Ken Bipes
Phil Glembin	Ajulo Ochala
Ariana Lopez	Casen Hotzler
Aiden Remme	Bill Carlberg
Mike Miller	David Carstensen
Emma Schnyders	Gerald Fisher

Giving thanks & praying for:

Local farmers...
Our teachers, administrators, students...
Front line health care workers...
Law enforcement & emergency workers...
Service women & men and their families...

For those dealing with grief and loss...

If you have a loved one you would like to have added to the Prayer Corner list, or if any name needs to be removed from this list, please contact the church office.



Sunday, July 3rd, 2022
Worship - 10:30 a.m.



livestream links

The Boxcast TV Channel
First UMC YouTube Channel
First UMC FaceBook Channel
First UMC Website
(<http://firstumcworthington.com/>)

PASTOR: Rev. Dr. Daren Flinck
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Jeffrey Ludes
FAMILY LIFE: Gretchen O'Donnell
FINANCE MANAGER: Sue Johnson
CUSTODIANS: Sarah & Chad Nickel

ACCOMPANIST: Linda Lang
CHOIR DIRECTOR: Jeanette Jensen
BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR: Brenda DeSmith
TECH TEAM: Kari & Claire Meyer

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS - Monday through Friday - 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

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The 4th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 3rd, 2022
10:30 a.m.

Worship Leader: Rev. Dr. Daren Flinck

Accompanist: Linda Lang

✚ Please stand as you are able

CENTERING WORDS ¹

God works through us when we are generous of spirit and the gentle of heart.
Though we may feel like lambs in the midst of wolves,
our ministries can change the world.

PRELUDE

WELCOME - ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Come to Worship God

PRAISE

TFWS #2224 - "Make Us One, Lord"

CALL TO WORSHIP ²

Make a joyful noise to God!

We give honor and praise and glory to God!

Lift up your prayers and praises to God!

We trust in God's knowledge, wisdom and insight!

Open your hearts to God!

**In this time of worship, with shouts of joy and moments of quiet reflection,
we know God is present with us, right now. Amen!**

✚ PRAISE

UMH #698 - "God of the Ages"

✚ OPENING PRAYER ³

O God, in mystery and silence you are present in our lives. You bring new life out of destruction, hope out of despair, growth out of difficulty. We thank you that you do not leave us alone but labor to make us whole.

Authentic Taco Bar:

Mark your calendar!! Next Sunday, July 10th, the Missions Team will be serving a taco lunch featuring authentic tacos prepared by Pastor Angel along with ice cream sundaes! Come join with the congregation of Cristo En Tu Ayuda to share this wonderful event and get to know each other! This will be a fundraiser with the proceeds going to The Banquet (in Sioux Falls) to help support for providing meals for the poor and homeless.

Ecumen Meadows Open House:

Join us for our Open House on Wednesday, July 13th from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. at 1801 Collegeway in Worthington. We invite you to view our beautiful community and newly remodel lobby area! Check out our variety of floor plans on a personal or self-guided tour. Refreshments and snacks will be served.

High School Grad Scholarships:

The First UMC Foundation once again is offering scholarships for young people who are considering entering college or tech school. The awards are \$600.00 for the first year, \$800.00 for the 2nd year and \$1,000.00 for the third year. First & Adrian (and former Emmanuel) UMC students may apply each year. Applications may be picked up in the church office or emailed to the student upon request. The deadline for submitting applications is July 31st.

On the Internet...

First UMC has a number of places you can access for information about our church. Our website is found at <http://firstumcworthington.com/> You can watch each Sunday service as it is streamed online, or take a look at previous Sunday services. You may access the church newsletter or the Sunday bulletins. You can make your financial gift online if you desire. Or you can simply learn more about First UMC.

Check out our FaceBook page, where you can learn about upcoming events and watch the Sunday services live via live stream or catch up on any previous worship services or celebration of life services you may have missed.

Our YouTube Channel also stores the previous live streamed events, including each Sunday's live stream service.

You can also access the same information on our church app (see below), downloadable to your iPhone or iPad from the App Store. The app has all the features of



Last Week's Offering: \$2,089.00

Carry Over Revenue (2021): \$32,515.90

Year-to-date Revenue*: \$179,290.11

Year-to-date Expenses: \$155,678.07

Thank you for your faithful giving!



Operation Christmas Child:

We are collecting items for the Operation Christmas Child boxes which will be packed in November. From now until October each month, we will highlight an area that we will be collecting items for that can be packed in the boxes. These items can be brought to the church and put in the collection box in the narthex. The age groups that the boxes will be packed for are ages 2-4, 5-9 and 10-14 for both boys and girls. You will still have the option to pack a box on your own if you wish.

For June and July we will be collecting WOW items for boys and girls. A WOW item is a bigger gift that is added to box with the other items. Ideas for girls are a baby doll with accessories, Barbie doll, small musical instrument (recorder or harmonica), backpack, stuffed animal. Ideas for boys are a toy truck or car, soccer ball with pump, small musical instrument (recorder or harmonica), backpack, stuffed animal.

Monetary donations will also be accepted which will go toward purchasing additional items for the boxes and also to help with the postage to send the boxes overseas. The Missions Committee thanks you for your interest in this project. If you have any questions, please contact Pam Soderholm.

Come and Meet Gretchen Day!

Please come by Gretchen's office for treats and strawberry lemonade (or a cup of coffee at the very least - she'll have flavored creamer!) at any time between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Tuesday, July 12th. Come with your ideas for church activities, your thoughts on Sunday School or Wednesday nights... basically your hopes and dreams for what you'd like to see happen - and how you can fit into - the future programming of our church!

If that day won't work for you, you can contact Gretchen by calling the church (507.372.2939) or emailing her at familylifewgtn@gmail.com.



Help us to perceive your unseen hand in the unfolding of our lives, and to attend to the gentle guidance of your Spirit, that we may know the joy you give your people. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAISE

"God Bless America"

*Elizabeth Bushard, soloist ** Linda Lang, accompanist*

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE - THE LORD'S PRAYER

We Hear God's Word

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Galatians 6:1-16

MESSAGE

"The Signature of Declaration"

We Respond to God's Word

COMMUNION HYMN

TFWS #2254 - *"In Remembrance of Me"*

HOLY COMMUNION

*All who intend to lead a Christian life, together with their children,
are invited to receive the bread and cup.*

Everyone is welcome to come to the table of the Lord.

*When you come forward, please bring your offering
and place it in the plates located near the railings.*

We Go Forth to Serve God

✚ PRAISE

UMH #696 - *"America the Beautiful"*

✚ THE BENEDICTION - ✚ POSTLUDE

¹ The Centering Words are based on or inspired by Galatians 6 and Luke 10.

² The Call to Worship is based on or inspired by Psalm 30.

³ The Opening Prayer is based on or inspired by 2 Kings 5, Psalm 30, Galatians 6, and Luke 10:9.
All are based on [or taken from] "The Abingdon Worship Annual 2022",
edited by Mary J. Scifres and B.J. Beu



Worship Attendance	Last Sunday	LIVE STREAM VIEWS	218
ADRIAN UMC	14	CRISTO EN TU AYUDA	25
FIRST UMC	44	TOTAL	301

GOD'S DIRECTION IS ALWAYS BEST!

Galatians 6:1-16
New International Version (NIV)

Doing Good to All

¹ Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted. ² Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. ³ If anyone thinks they are something when they are not, they deceive themselves. ⁴ Each one should test their own actions. Then they can take pride in themselves alone, without comparing themselves to someone else, ⁵ for each one should carry their own load. ⁶ Nevertheless, the one who receives instruction in the word should share all good things with their instructor.

⁷ Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. ⁸ Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. ⁹ Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. ¹⁰ Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

Not Circumcision but the New Creation

¹¹ See what large letters I use as I write to you with my own hand!

¹² Those who want to impress people by means of the flesh are trying to compel you to be circumcised. The only reason they do this is to avoid being persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³ Not even those who are circumcised keep the law, yet they want you to be circumcised that they may boast about your circumcision in the flesh. ¹⁴ May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵ Neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything; what counts is the new creation. ¹⁶ Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule - to the Israel of God.

TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL [YOUR] HEART...

PROVERBS 3:5

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This Week

SUN

9:00 am
10:00 am
10:30 am
12:30 pm

July 3

Worship @ Adrian
Coffee Fellowship @ First
Worship @ First
Cristo En Tu Ayuda Worship
Fellowship Hall @ First

MON

3:00 pm

July 4 - Independence Day Offices Closed

Worship Re-Broadcast
on WGTN TV3

The 4th at Chautauqua Park

5:00 pm
7:00 pm
8:15 pm

Food Vendors
Worthington City Band Concert
Symphony Orchestra Concert
With Paul Summers LaRoche

9:45 pm

Fireworks

TUES

9:30 am

3:00 pm

July 5

Ladies Coffee Hour
First UMC @ Hy-Vee
Worship Re-Broadcast
on WGTN TV3

WED

7:00 am
7:30 pm

July 6

Men's Breakfast @ Blue Line
Worthington City Band Concert
@ Chautauqua Park

SUN

9:00 am
10:00 am
10:30 am
11:30 am
12:30 pm

July 10

Worship @ Adrian
Coffee Fellowship @ First
Worship @ First
Taco Bar @ First
Cristo En Tu Ayuda Worship

Care Center Residents:

South Shore Care Center

First UMC:

Lois Carlberg

Good Samaritan Windom

First UMC:

LaDee Grant

Mary Jane Brown Center

Adrian UMC:

Mary Prins

Adrian Country Living Cottage

Adrian UMC:

Margaret Loger

Live Streaming...

You can catch our live stream broadcast on your smartphone, iPad, Smart TV or computer at on any one of four different app channels or online websites:

The Boxcast TV Channel

[First UMC Website](#)

[First UMC YouTube Channel](#)

[First UMC FaceBook](#)

Please note that all of our services can be viewed at the above locations even after the service is over. For questions about our broadcasts, please contact the church office.

Sunday Coffee Fellowship:

Come to the Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings before church to enjoy a cup of coffee or juice and a roll along with some fellowship; we begin at 10:00 A.M. We are looking for persons to help serve on a rotating basis. Please contact Pam Soderholm if you are willing to help.