

Happy Birthday!

27 Amber Nielsen
Steven Potts

28 Natalie Johnson
Randy Shirbroun

30 Laurie Barrie
Katherine Willey

Happy Anniversary!

28 Jeff & Cheryl Homan
Dave & Myra Palmer

May 1 Wayne & Sharon Jones

Church Family Prayer List

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.

Allan & Carroll Miller
Dennis & Stacie Miller
Marlene Miller
Terry & Darlene Miller
Judy Mitchell
Mary Monthei
Susanne Murphy
Dan Nauerth
Christine Nelson
Rick & Deb Nelson

Let's remember to visit those who are in Care Centers or are homebound: especially reach out to Betty Taarud, Margaret Loger, Mary Prins, LaDee Grant, Norma Swenson. Joyce Gravon, Katherine Willey, Larry Doeden

One visit goes a long way!

PRAYER CORNER

Prayers for immediate health concerns:
Logan Waldner Ron Husenga
Lourdes Franco Chris Nelson
Rod Behrends Virgil Buck
Kristin (Dalrymple) Amundson
Julie (Ginny Tate's sister)
Sally Hibma
Margaret Loger
Steve Johnson

Prayers for those dealing with cancer
Shellie Williams
Christopher Allen Brown
Marian Reitsma (friend of Jolene Kuhl)
Stacy White Mike Miller
Jeff Wachell (friend of Deb Steinle)
Scott Klooster

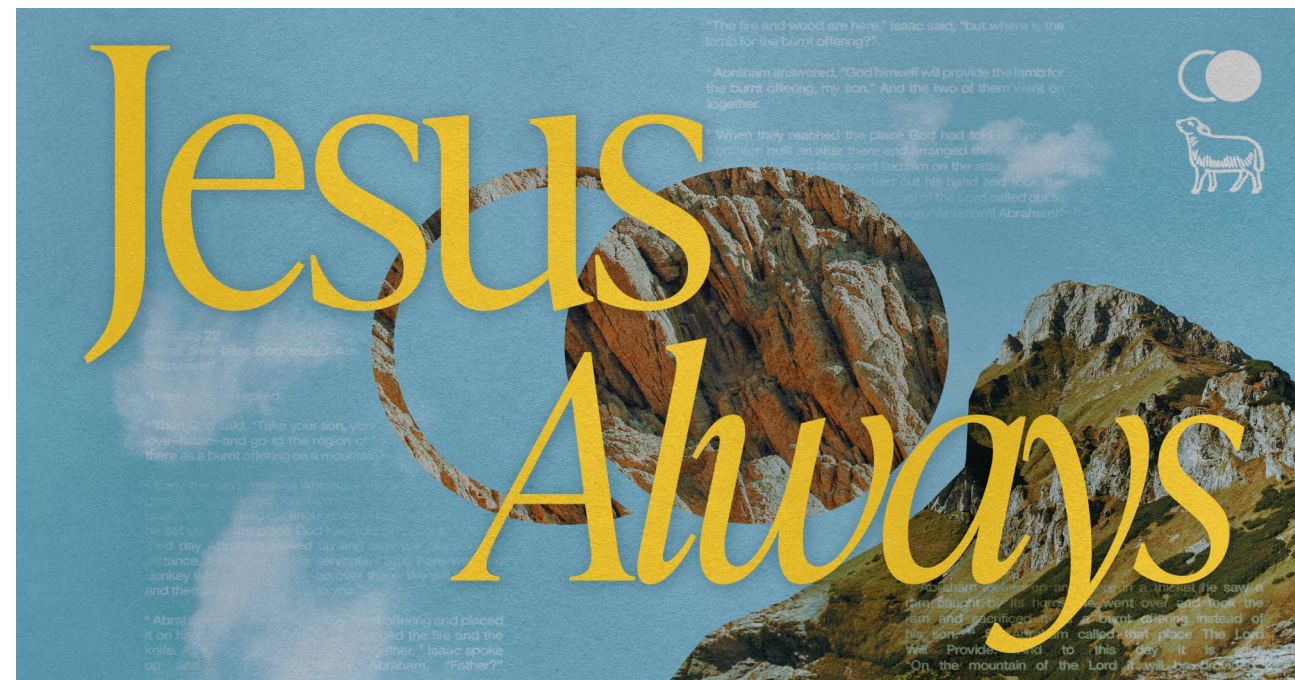
Persons recovering/dealing with health issues:
Nancy Hyink Alden Remme
Bill Carlberg Emma Schnyders
Ariana Lopez Larry Doeden
Pat Huisenga Corky Tate
John Steinle Dianne Dalrymple

For those dealing with grief and loss...

Giving thanks & praying for:
Our Bishop and District Superintendent...
Our teachers, administrators, students...
Front line health care workers...
Law enforcement & emergency workers...
Service women & men and their families...
Galen & Sherri Benton's granddaughter

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:

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methodistoffice@gmail.com



Sunday, April 26th, 2026
Worship - 10:30 a.m.



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COMMUNITY KIDS' CAMP

CREATE!

June 8-11

(Location: American Lutheran Church)

5-5:45pm Meal ✦ 5:45-8pm Activities

NEW!

Adult Engagement
(6:15pm-7:45pm)

REGISTER USING THE QR CODE.



**TO REGISTER:
SCAN THE QR CODE (BY MAY 26)
OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE.**

*For children age 3 (& potty trained) through completed grade 5.
Suggested donation: \$5/child*



PRAYER HYMN

UMH#451 - "Be Thou My Vision"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - THE LORD'S PRAYER

GENEROSITY MOMENT

(please place your offering in the plates as you depart worship or visit our website <http://www.firstumcworthington.com/give>)

DOXOLOGY

UMH #94- "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

SPECIAL MUSIC

"In the Beginning Was the Word"

Bell Choir

Randy Shirbroun—Narrator

(directed by Brenda DeSmith)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 22:1-9

MESSAGE

"Trusting God Without Understanding"

Pastor John Mitchem

We Hear God's Word

We Go Forth to Serve God

CLOSING HYMN

UMH #369 - "Blessed Assurance"

THE BENEDICTION

RENEWING YOUR MIND, BODY & SOUL

Resurface

A Women's Conference

Saturday, October 24, 2026

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

First Methodist Church, Worthington



Free to follow Pastor John on Social Media

<https://www.facebook.com/jdmitchem>

Care Center Residents:

First UMC:

The Shores

LaDee Grant
Larry Doeden

Sibley Specialty Care Center

Norma Swenson

Adrian UMC:

Mary Jane Brown Ctr (Luverne)

Mary Prins

Adrian Country Living Cottage

Margaret Loger

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

FH = Fellowship Hall

FR = Fireside Room

This Week

SUN	April 26
6:30 am	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV
9:00 am	Worship @ Adrian
9:00 am	Youth Sunday School
9:45 am	Coffee Fellowship - FH
10:30 am	Worship @ First
1:00 pm	Cristo En Tu Ayuda
MON	April 27
3:00 pm	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3
TUES	April 28
9:30 am	Ladies' Coffee @ Hy-Vee
3:00 pm	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV
WED	April 29
5:15 pm	Connect Wednesday Dinner
5:45 pm	Worship
5:45 pm	Confirmation
6:00 pm	Program
THURS	April 30
7:00 pm	WASO Practice
SUN	May 3
6:30 am	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV
9:00 am	Worship @ Adrian
9:00 am	Youth Sunday School
9:15 am	Linda Doeden speaking -FH
10:30 am	Worship @ First
	Teachers Recognition Sunday
1:00 pm	Cristo En Tu Ayuda

Linda Doeden Speaking

Join Linda Doeden on Sunday, May 3rd from 9:15-10:15am in the Fellowship Hall as she shares about her experiences in Laos. Coffee, juice and donuts will be served.

Teacher Recognition Sunday May 3

Please take a moment to thank our Sunday School, Confirmation and Wednesday evening teachers when you see them in church or around town! The time they spend investing in the youth of our church is beyond measure. Lisa Gerdes, Amber Nielson, Amy Shirbroun, Randy Shirbroun, Kylee Shirbroun, Ida Van Westen, Stacie Miller, Missy Geertsema, Rick Dalrymple, Sharon Allgood and Sherry Benton.

National Day of Prayer

Love INC of Worthington & Pray Worthington invite you to join us on May 7th for our local National Day of Prayer Event from noon -1pm in the Farmer's Room at 315 10th St. Worthington

Confirmation Sunday & Mother's Day May 10th

It is a big day for both our churches!

The morning will start at 9:00 am in Adrian, where all confirmed students from both churches will be present, and an Adrian student will be confirmed. The confirmation students will then travel to First UMC, where the three students from First will be confirmed. The students will not arrive until around 10:20 am. at First.

At each service, we will hear their faith stories and have communion.

We will have cupcakes (students' choice) *after* the 10:30 am service.

At First UMC, as a special gift to the women of the church, we will have our chocolate bar again. We want to thank the anonymous donor who will be covering the cost.

A special gift will also be given to the women in attendance.

Graduation Sunday

Please join us as we recognize our graduating seniors during the worship service on May 17th! A reception will be held for them during the coffee fellowship time that morning. Our graduates are Jayse Geertsema, Dylan Schuett, Hannah Hill, Alex Romero, James Spartz, and Judah Luevanos.