

Happy Birthday!

- 28 Rick Honermann
Cheryl Matthies
30 Ben Lopez
Colby Nickel
31 Dorothy Hector
1 Stacy Lee
Chris Reisdorfer
2 Eagan Hietbrink
John Soderholm
3 Lorraine Carstensen
Jim Pierce

Happy Anniversary!

- 28 Roger & Patricia Grimmus
David & Myra Palmer
30 Kyle & Andrea Johnson
1 Ken & Kathy Elsing

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.

Carol Krosch
Wilma Kruse
Burdell & Jolene Kuhl
Linda Lang
Gerald & Cindy Langendorfer
Micah Langendorfer
Ron & Karen Lawrence & family
Steve & Anita Leach & family
Bruce Lease
Scott & Stacy Lee & family
Margaret Loger

Let's remember to visit those who are in Care Centers or are homebound: especially reach out to Jenola Uden, Bruce Lease, Betty Taarud, Lois Carlberg, Margaret Loger, Mary Prins, Claribel Grussing, LaDee Grant, and Ron & Karen Lawrence.

One visit goes a long way!



PRAYER CORNER

Prayers for immediate health concerns:

Bruce Lease Pat Huisenga
Marlene Wieneke LaDee Grant
Tom Vagt Janelle Johnson
Steve Potts Tim Yager
Ajulo Ochala
Sharlene Hohensee (Paula Behren's mother)
Mary Prins (dealing with arthritic conditions)

Persons impacted by COVID 19: Covid long-haulers

Prayers for those dealing with cancer:

Connie Bremer (Betty Taarud's daughter)
Laurie Blume
Christopher Allen Brown
Scott Klooster
Makenzie Gist (Nancy Galland's niece)
George Dinsmore (Cheryl Dinsmore uncle)

Persons recovering/dealing with health issues:

Emma Schnyders Nancy Hyink
Gerald Fisher Claribel Grussing
Kristi Johnson John Clease
Weston Erlandson Bill Carlberg
Steve Timmons Monica Veil
Ken Bipes Phil Glembin
Karen Schulz Ariana Lopez
Aiden Remme Mike Miller

For those dealing with grief and loss...

The family of Jim Vachuska
(Jim is Doris Palmer's brother)

Giving thanks & praying for:

Our new Bishop and District Superintendent...
Our teachers, administrators, students...
Front line health care workers...
Law enforcement & emergency workers...
Service women & men and their families...

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:

507.372.2939 methodistoffice@gmail.com



Sunday, May 28, 2023
Worship - 10:30 a.m.



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

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CUSTODIANS:	Sarah & Chad Nickel	BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR:	Brenda DeSmith
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Sunday, May 28, 2023

10:30 a.m.

Worship Leader:
Rev. Dr. Daren Flinck
Accompanist: Jolene Kuhl

UMH - United Methodist Hymnal

 Please stand as you are able

CENTERING WORDS ¹

*Created by one God, blessed and sustained by one Spirit,
all are welcome here.*

PRELUDE

WELCOME - ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Come to Worship God

PRAISE

UMH #393 - *"Spirit of the Living God"*

CALL TO WORSHIP ²

Coming from different places,

we gather as one church, one community of faith.

Bringing different gifts,

we come to offer ourselves as we are.

Blessed by one Spirit,

we bring our unity of gratitude and praise.

 PRAISE

UMH #539 - *"O Spirit of the Living God"*

 OPENING PRAYER ³

**Holy Spirit, blow through our gathering as you blew through that Pentecost
gathering so many centuries ago. Breathe in us your new creation, that we**

Prayer Time

Every Wednesday morning at 11:30 a.m. in Emmanuel Chapel. Please join us if you are interested.

Women's Summer Bible Study

All women are invited to a summer Bible study on Women and Men in the Old Testament. We will meet in June and July on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Fireside Room. The books are in and can be picked up from Gretchen at any time. Cost is \$24. We still have a few left if anyone wants to join us who has not yet signed up. Book scholarships are available.

Fireside Book Club

Our next church book club event will be on June 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room. We will be discussing the book, *Defying Jihad*, by Esther Ahmad. Please purchase or borrow the book on your own and come with it read in full, ready to discuss!

The Banquet

Mark your calendar – we are scheduled to serve at The Banquet in Sioux Falls on Monday, August 7th. We will need volunteers to help with meal prep and serving the meal. Watch for more details.

Operation Christmas Child

We will again be collecting items for the Operation Christmas Child boxes that will be packed in November. Over the last three years with the generous monetary donations and items that have been donated we have been able to pack many boxes. Starting in March and through October, each month we will highlight an area of items that are needed; you may give a monetary donation (Please make check payable to 1st UMC and put OCC on the memo line) at any time which will go towards buying additional items that are needed or for postage to help ship the boxes overseas.

There is a list available in the narthex of the items that are needed and will be collected throughout the next months; you can donate any of those items at any time. You will still have the option to pack a box on your own, if you wish. The age groups that the boxes will be packed for are ages 2-4, 5-9 and 10-14 for both boys and girls.

For the month of June we will be collecting WOW items for boys and girls. A WOW item is something that will capture the child's attention when they open their box. Ideas for girls are small baby dolls with accessories, Barbie doll, small musical instruments (recorder or harmonica), small backpack, stuffed animals, soccer ball with a pump, small purse. Ideas for boy are toy trucks and cars, small musical instruments (recorder or harmonica), small backpack, stuffed animals, soccer ball with a pump.

The Mission Committee thanks you for your interest and consideration in this project. If you have any questions, please contact Pam Soderholm.





Our nursery is open,
but is not staffed at this time.

A baby changing station
is available in the nursery and also
in the women's restroom
located in the education wing.

Worship activity bags

A Note to Our Guests....

Thank you for taking the time to
worship with us this Sunday!

We hope and pray that this worship
experience will increase your faith
and help you develop more resources
for growing in Christ.

We welcome you to First Church!

Pastor Angel & Lourdes to Receive Award

At this year's Minnesota Annual Conference, Pastor Angel & Lourdes Franco will receive the Denman Award for Evangelism in Reaching New People. The award will be made at 10:00 a.m. (you can view it on live stream by going to the Annual Conference website - <https://www.minnesotaumc.org/> - look to Conference Live Stream).

The 169th session of the Minnesota Annual Conference will take place Wednesday, May 31 through Thursday, June 1, 2023 at the River's Edge Convention Center in St. Cloud. Drawing on Luke 24:13-35, the theme of this year's gathering is "Encounter. Transform. Respond. The Emmaus Experience."

The Harry Denman Evangelism Award program honors United Methodists in each annual conference whose exceptional ministry of evangelism – expressed in Word (what), Sign (why), and Deed (how) – brings people into a life-transforming relationship with Jesus Christ. Evangelism happens in many contexts and many settings; impacts and engages all generations; and requires relationship among a variety of persons. Pastor Angel and his wife Lourdes have been building a new Latino church community in Worthington since September of 2022.



Last Week's Offering	\$ 15,568.13
Carry Over Revenue (2022):	\$ 31,543.00
Revenue Year to Date:	\$ 131,485.41
Expenses Year to Date:	\$ 141,245.24

Thank you for your faithful giving!

may be renewed and revived to be your people once more. Speak through our differences and our diversity, and bind us together in unity and love. Amen.

MOMENTS WITH THE YOUNG CHRISTIANS

PRAISE

"Military Tribute"

Galen Benton, Accordion

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE - THE LORD'S PRAYER

We Hear God's Word

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

MESSAGE

"Service Salute"

We Respond to God's Word

RECOGNITION OF OFFERING

(please place your offering in the plates as you depart worship)

✠ DOXOLOGY

UMH #95 - *"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"*

✠ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We Go Forth to Serve God

✠ PRAISE

UMH #555 - *"Forward Through the Ages"*

✠ THE BENEDICTION - ✠ POSTLUDE

¹ The Centering Words are based on or inspired by Psalm 104 and 1 Corinthians 12.

² The Call to Worship is based on or inspired by Acts 2 and 1 Corinthians 12.

³ The Opening Prayer is based on or inspired by Acts 2 and 1 Corinthians 12.

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Worship Attendance	Last Sunday	LIVE STREAM VIEWS	164
ADRIAN UMC	18	CRISTO EN TU AYUDA	32
FIRST UMC	169	TOTAL	383

GOD'S DIRECTION IS ALWAYS BEST!

Different Gifts in Service of the Lord
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 (NIV)

³ Therefore I want you to know that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus be cursed," and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴ There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. ⁵ There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord.

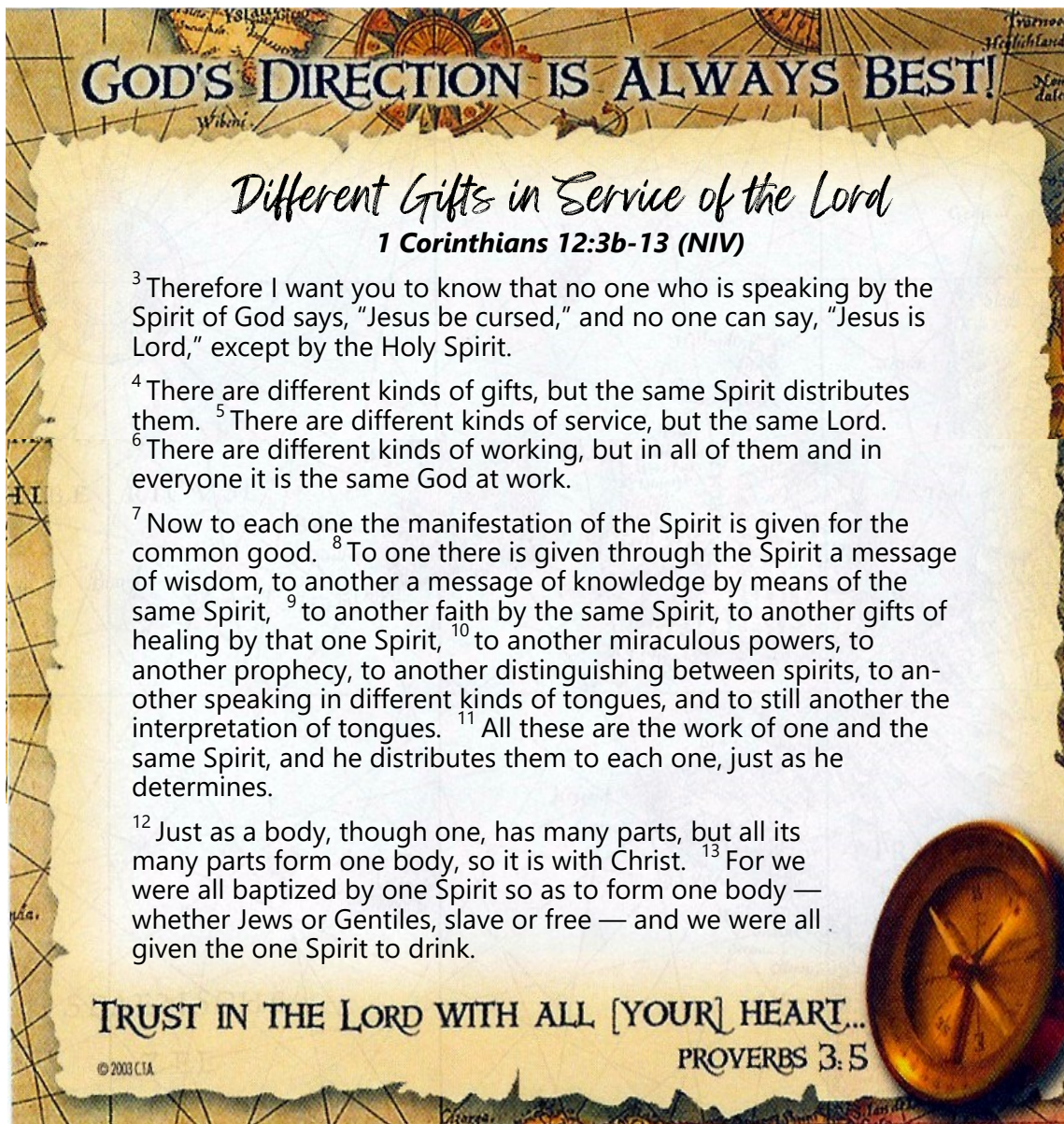
⁶ There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.

⁷ Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. ⁸ To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.

¹² Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body — whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free — and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.

TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL [YOUR] HEART...
PROVERBS 3:5

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Sewing Days for OLC Boxes

The Night Lite Circle & Missions will be sponsoring sewing days on Wednesday, June 14 from 1-4 pm, Thursday, June 15 from 1-4 pm, and Friday, June 16 from 10 am - 2 pm. We will need helpers to iron, cut fabric and of course sew! Bring your sewing machine if possible, but we will have a few available for use those days. We will be sewing dresses, shorts, and bookbags. A light lunch will be served. Hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please contact Myra Palmer at 507-360-0881 or Dianne Dalrymple at 507-360-5886

Care Center Residents:

The Meadows Memory Care Unit

First UMC:

Karen Lawrence

South Shore Care Center

First UMC:

Lois Carlberg LaDee Grant

Mary Jane Brown Center

Adrian UMC:

Mary Prins

Adrian Country Living Cottage

Adrian UMC:

Margaret Loger

Sunrise View Assisted Living

First UMC:

Claribel Grussing

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](#)

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This Week

SUN

6:30 am

9:00 am

10:00 am

10:30 am

1:00 pm

MON

3:00 pm

TUES

3:00 pm

7:30 pm

WED

7:00 am

8:00 am

11:30 am

WED

8:00 am

SUN

6:30 am

9:00 am

10:00 am

10:30 am

1:00 pm

2:00 pm

May 28

Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3

Worship @ Adrian

Coffee Fellowship (FH)

Worship @ First

Cristo En Tu Ayuda @ First

May 29

MEMORIAL DAY (Offices Closed)

Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3

May 30

Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3

Adrian Council @ Fellowship Hall

May 31

Men's Breakfast @ Blue Line

Annual Conference in St. Cloud

Prayer Time (Chapel)

June 1

Annual Conference in St. Cloud

June 4

Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3

Worship @ Adrian

Coffee Fellowship (FH)

Worship @ First

Cristo En Tu Ayuda @ First

Decorating for Kids' Camp

Community Kids' Camp!

We can still use a FEW VOLUNTEERS for Kids Camp! Please let Gretchen know if you can come for one evening or four! Several positions are available. Dates are June 5-8, 5:30-8:00 p.m. Apples, carrots, and cookies are needed for the first night of Kids' camp (June 5). Please let Gretchen know if you're willing to bring some. We really need to know ahead, to make sure we're covered.

THANK YOU for your help!!

