

Happy Birthday!

- 3 Susan Bents
- 4 Chelsea Homan
- 5 Matthew DeSmith
- 6 David Palmer
- 8 Susanne Murphy
Craig Soderholm
- 9 Hannah Barrie
Madonna Carlson
Naomi Hill

Happy Anniversary!

- 3 Tim & Thelma Yager

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.

- Chad & Sarah Nickel & family
- Jim Nickel
- Tina Nickel & family
- Trevor & Erin Nickel & family
- Danny & Amber Nielsen & family
- Kristen Nielsen
- Dana & Amy Oberloh & Taya
- Jonah & Heather Oberloh & family
- Ajulo Ochala & family
- Dave & Myra Palmer

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)

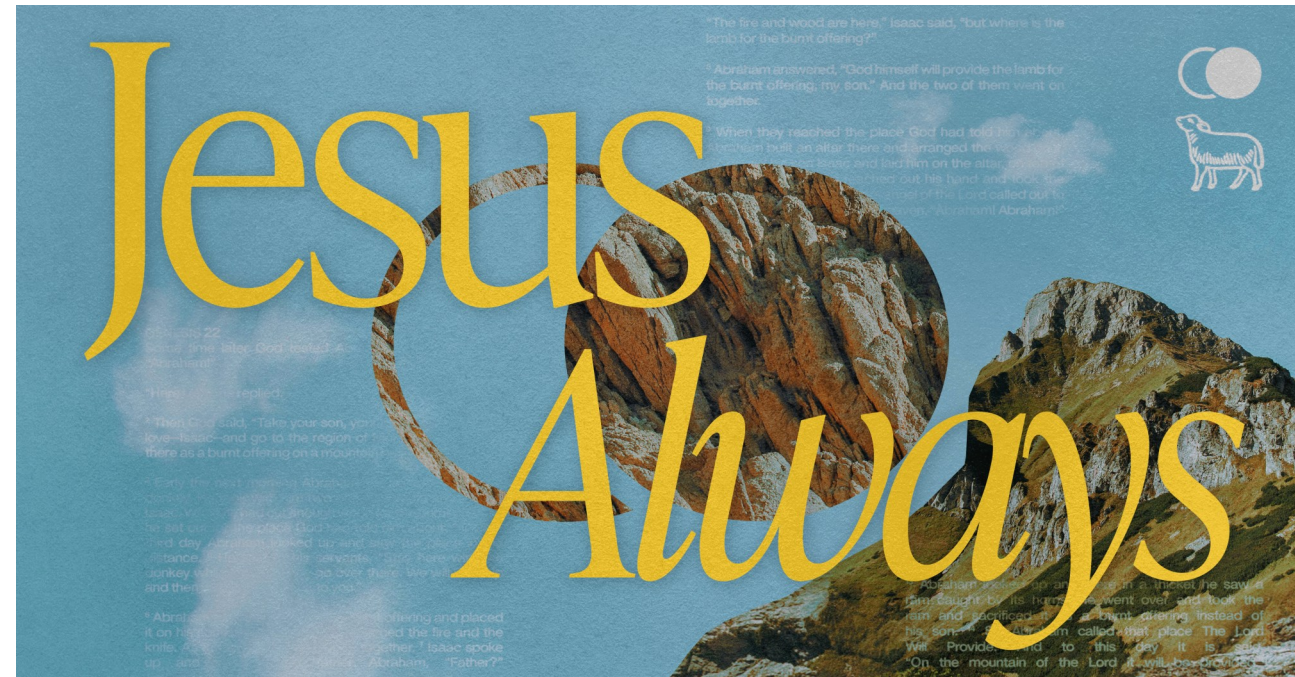
- Persons recovering/dealing with health issues:
- Nancy Hyink Alden Remme
 - Bill Carlberg Emma Schnyders
 - Ariana Lopez Larry Doeden
 - Pat Huisenga Corky Tate
 - John Steinle Dianne Dalrymple

- For those dealing with grief and loss...
- Family of Scott Klooster with his passing

- Giving thanks & praying for:
- Our farmers during this planting season
 - 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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Sunday, May 3rd, 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



Community Kids Camp

MOMENTS WITH THE YOUNG CHRISTIANS

PRAYER HYMN

UMH#314 - "In the Garden"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

GENEROSITY MOMENT

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

HONORING OUR TEACHERS

DOXOLOGY

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

We Hear God's Word

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Daniel 3:15-18

MESSAGE

"Hearing Jesus in the Noise of Chaos"

Pastor John Mitchem

HOLY COMMUNION

We Go Forth to Serve God

THE BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

UMH #698- "God of the Ages"

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	May 3
6:30 am	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV
9:00 am	Worship @ Adrian w/communion
9:15 am	Linda Doeden speaking –FH
10:30 am	Worship @ First w/communion Teachers Recognition Sunday
1:00 pm	Cristo En Tu Ayuda
MON	May 4
3:00 pm	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3
TUES	May 5
9:30 am	Ladies' Coffee @ Hy-Vee
3:00 pm	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV
WED	May 6
5:15 pm	Connect Wednesday Dinner
5:45 pm	Worship
5:45 pm	Confirmation
6:00 pm	Program
THURS	May 7
12:00 pm	National Day of Prayer
7:00 pm	WASO Practice
SUN	May 10-Happy Mother's Day
6:30 am	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV
9:00 am	Worship @ Adrian w/Confirmation
9:45 am	Coffee Fellowship/w chocolate bar by anonymous donor –FH
10:30 am	Worship @ First w/Confirmation
11:30 am	Confirmand's Reception
1:00 pm	Cristo En Tu Ayuda

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 Algood, Mike Brignac, 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. One 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 arrive around 10:20 am. at First.

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

This year's confirmands are Owen Lee Heidebrink- Adrian UMC and Kelli Rae Geertsema, Emma Marie Hill, Leah Catherine Schuett-First UMC.

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

At First UMC ,during coffee fellowship time, 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.

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.