Happy Birthday!

8 Robin Erlandson
Terry Johnson
Clyde Scheevel

9 Clarisse Hill

10 Andy Ekedahol

11 Ellen Hoefker
Emmett Karels

12 Sarah DeSmith

13 Ashley Williams

Happy Anniversary!

14 Don & Robin Erlandson

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.

Phil & Lucy Bjoeke
Adam & Maggie Blume & family
Timothy & Laurie Blume
Aaron Bonsma & family
Dennis & Cheryl Bonsma
Mike Brignac
Shauna Brignac
Rebecca Brignac & family
Virgil Buck
Kahn & Coleen Bui & family

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

One visit goes a long way!

Prayer Corner

See updated prayer list in the Narthex

NEW PRAYER CONCERNS
Elizabeth Zieska (Dave & Myra Palmer niece)
Phil Bjerke
Kristin (Dalyrmple) Amundson

For those dealing with grief and loss…

Giving thanks & praying for:
Our farmers during this harvest 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…

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

Care Center Residents:

First UMC:

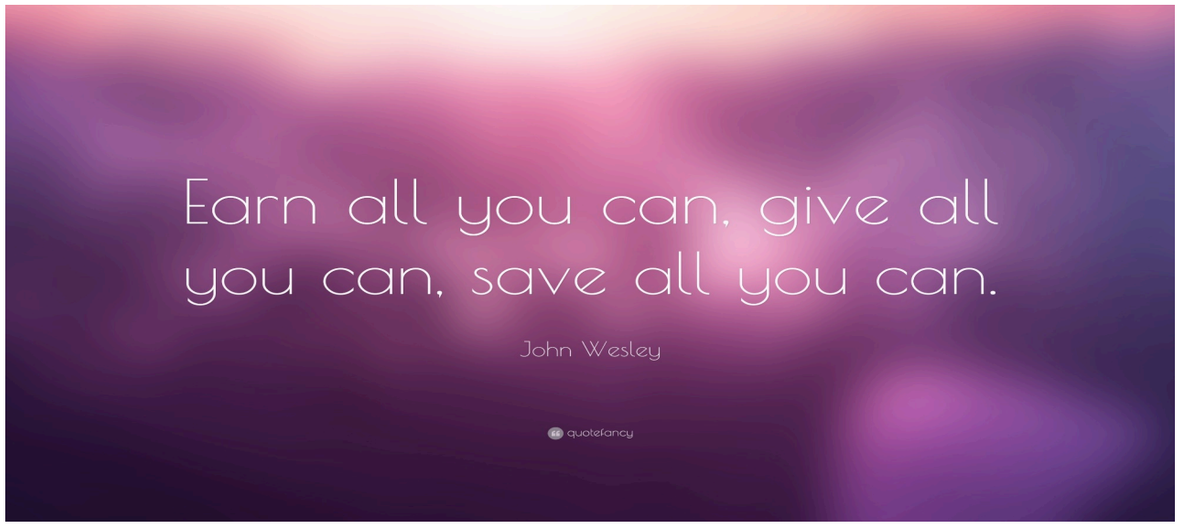
The Shores
LaDee Grant

Sibley Specialty Care Center
Norma Swenson

Adrian UMC:

Mary Jane Brown Ctr (Luverne)
Mary Prins

Adrian Country Living Cottage



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Worship - 10:30 a.m.

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Worship Leader: Pastor John Mitchem
Song Leader: Elizabeth Bushard
Accompanist: Jolene Kuhl

We are a church where Jesus is known. All are loved, and neighbors are served. The Vision of First UMC Church is to be biblically centered, welcoming to everyone, vibrantly praying, worshiping, serving, and caring for our neighbors.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

TIME OF FOCUS

We Come to Worship God

OPENING HYMN UMH #185 - "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Everything we have is a gift from God—our lives, our relationships, and our daily bread.

People: We bring grateful hearts, ready to worship the Giver of all good things.

Leader: God calls us to look beyond the wealth of this world and invest in eternal grace, mercy, and love.

People: Teach us to use the gifts of this world to build your kingdom and bless our neighbors.

Leader: Put aside the pursuit of worldly gain, and fix your hearts on the Lord.

People: We come to offer our praise, our wealth, and our whole lives to the Lord our God!

Sermon Notes:



There is a sign up sheet in the narthex for the Bible Study



Ladies' Advent Bible Study!

Mondays at 9:00
November 30th – December 21st.
Fireside Room
Cost of books is $24
Sign up ahead with Gretchen or Lori in the office



MOMENTS WITH THE YOUNG CHRISTIANS

BLESSING OF THE OPERATION CHRISTMAS BOXES

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER HYMN — UMH #496 - "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

GENEROSITY MOMENT

(website http;//www.firstumcworthington, com/give)

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

We Hear God's Word

SCRIPTURE LESSON — Luke 16:1-13 (p.1534)

SERMON — "Earn All You Can, Save All You Can, Give All You Can"
Pastor John

We Go Forth to Serve God

THE BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN — UMH #102 "Now Thank We All Our God"

Free to follow Pastor John on Social Media
https://www.facebook.com/jdmitchem

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:

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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 otffice.

THANK YOU VETERANS

Worthington Area Symphony Orchestra Concert

Saturday, November 14 - 7:00 pm at Memorial Auditorium

"Roll Over Beethoven! A Steinway Anniversary"



This Week

SUN	**November 8**
6:30 am	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3
9:00 am	Worship @Adrian
9:00 am	Children's Sunday School OCC Packing Boxes Adult Sunday School-Fireside Room
9:45 am	Coffee Fellowship @First
10:30 am	Worship @ First
MON	**November 9**
3:00 pm	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV
TUES	**November 10**
9:30 am	Ladies' Coffee @ Hy-Vee
3:00 pm	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3
6:00 pm	Friendship Supper
7:00 pm	Chamber practice
WED	**November 11 Veterans Day**
8:00 am	Men's Breakfast @Blue Line
5:15 pm	Connect Dinner
5:45 pm	Worship
6:00 pm	Programs for all ages
7:00 pm	Bell Practice
SAT	**November 14**
7:00 pm	WASO Concert @Memorial
SUN	**November 15**
6:30 am	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3
9:00 am	Worship @Adrian
9:00 am	Children's Sunday School Adult Sunday School-Fireside Room
9:45 am	Coffee Fellowship @First
10:30 am	Worship @ First Mission Haiti/Meal to follow

Mission Haiti Sunday November 15

They will be leading the Children's Sunday School and Worship service followed by a meal at FUMC

MISSION-HAITI
LOVE JESUS. LOVE OTHERS. MAKE DISCIPLES.

Friendship Supper



One of everyone's favorite projects is hosting the Friendship Supper for the challenged with Pizza and Bingo on Nov 10th. 6:00 pm

So we need Bingo Prizes !! Please start looking for Christmas items, caps, Theatre size candy, stuffed animals, greeting cards, coloring books, gloves, scarves, anything they might enjoy. We serve close to 80 and want them all to be excited about receiving numerous gifts, so please help. Items can be brought to the office or given to Gretchen before Nov. 8th. THANK YOU!!

Adult Sunday School

November 1st, 9:00 am in the Fireside Room Randy Shirbroun will be teaching an Advent-themed class titled, *Eyewitness Bible Series: Christmas.* The class will meet each Sunday through December 20th.

