

Happy Birthday!

- 21 Wade Lawrence
- 22 Diane Honermann
- 23 Pat Grimmus
Dylan Schuett
Randy Taarud
- 24 Diane Dybevic
- 25 Janet Jeppesen
Kory Nicklel
- 26 Weston Erlandson

Happy Anniversary!

- 25 James & Amy Stefferud
- 26 Phil & Lucy Bjerke

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.

Tom & Diane Vagt
Brandon Van Weston & Carrie Timmerman & family
Steffen & Ida Van Westen
Bruce Vortherms & Michelle Bulau & family
Leola Weets
Katherine Willey
Shellie Williams & family
Jason & Julie Winselman & family
Tim & Thelma Yager

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



See updated prayer list in the Narthex

NEW PRAYER CONCERNS

Sharon Algood
Virgil Buck

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:

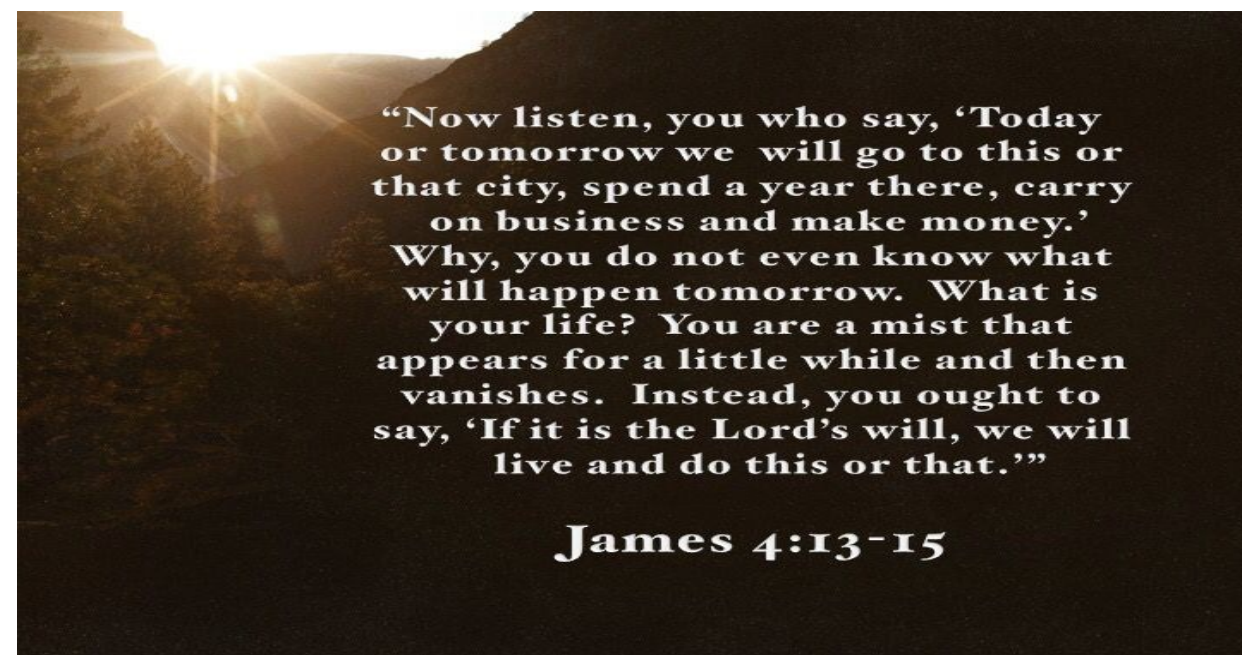
The Shores
LaDee Grant

Sibley Specialty Care Center
Norma Swenson

Adrian UMC:

Mary Jane Brown Ctr (Luverne)
Mary Prins

Adrian Country Living Cottage



"Now listen, you who say, 'Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money.' Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. Instead, you ought to say, 'If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that.'"

James 4:13-15



Sunday, September 20th, 2026
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:	<i>Pastor John Mitchem</i>	ORGANIST	<i>Jolene Kuhl</i>
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:	<i>Lori Nienkerk</i>	BELL DIRECTOR	<i>Brenda DeSmith</i>
FAMILY LIFE:	<i>Gretchen O'Donnell</i>	TECH TEAM:	<i>Kari & Claire Meyer</i>
CUSTODIANS:	<i>Chad & Sarah Nickel</i>	GREETERS:	<i>Rick & Dianne Dalrymple</i>

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS - TUESDAY through Friday - 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

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Sermon Notes:

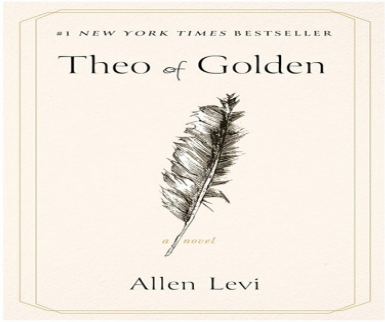
Our Resurface conference on October 24th needs a few willing men to help serve our meals.
A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex!



FIRESIDE BOOK
CLUB

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5
7:00P.M. FIRESIDE ROOM.



Congregational Care Ministers

At First United Methodist and Adrian UMC, we strive to do ministry with excellence. We begin providing excellent ministry through our Congregational Care Ministers (CCMs) and our pastors. With a congregation of our size, we rely on trained CCMs to serve alongside our pastor and staff in Congregational Care by making hospital visits, following up on prayer requests, providing one-on-one support for those going through difficult issues, serving communion to those home-bound and in nursing homes, and visiting our members who cannot get out, and much more. The pastor will still make visits, but this will ensure more contact with our members. If you feel called to care for others and wish to apply to become a CCM, please contact Pastor John, and he will get you the application. We will set up training in October. The sign-up deadline is Sept 27th. You may sign up at website, sign-up sheet in the lobby, or by calling the church office.

MOMENTS WITH THE YOUNG CHRISTIANS

BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER HYMN

UMH #191 - "Jesus Loves Me"

GENEROSITY MOMENT

(website <http://www.firstumcworthington.com/give>)

SPECIAL MUSIC

"The Lost Chord"

Jolene Kuhl

DOXOLOGY

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

We Hear God's Word

SCRIPTURE LESSON

James 4:13-15

SERMON

"Overcomplicating God's Will is Easy"

Pastor John Mitchem

COMMUNION

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 web-sites:

[The Boxcast TV Channel](#)

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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.

Sound/Media

Help Needed

We are in need of more people to help on Sunday mornings with this. If interested, please contact the office or Pastor John to get more information.



Sign up sheets are in the narthex to sign up for bringing a meal for Connect

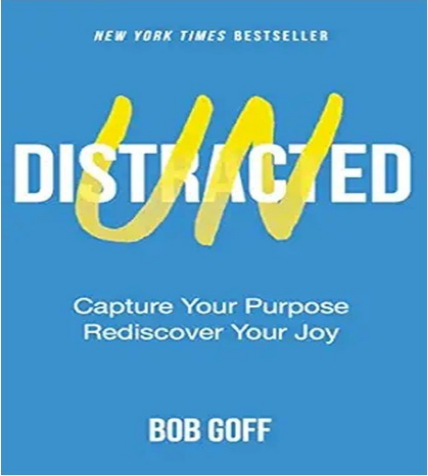
Bell practice starts Wednesday, Sept 23 from 7-7:45 pm If anyone interested in joining please contact Brenda DeSmith.

This Week

SUN	September 20
6:30 am	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3
9:00 am	Worship @Adrian
9:00 am	Sunday School
	Adult Sunday School-Fireside Room
9:45 am	Coffee Fellowship @First
10:30 am	Worship @ First
MON	September 21
3:00 pm	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3
TUES	September 22
9:30 am	Ladies' Coffee @ Hy-Vee
3:00 pm	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3
WED	September 23
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 Starts
THURS	September 24
9:00 am	Resurface Prayer Team -Chapel
7:00 pm	Waso practice
SAT	September 26
8:30 am	Hope Haven Meeting FH, Chapel, FR
SUN	September 27
6:30 am	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3
9:00 am	Worship @Adrian
9:00 am	Sunday School
	Adult Sunday School-Fireside Room
9:45 am	Coffee Fellowship @First
10:30 am	Worship @ First
2:00 pm	Church Conference Meeting @ Adrian

Sunday mornings for adults!

Join us at 9:00a.m. in the Fireside Room for discussion, a video and fellowship!
We will be looking at the book, *Undistracted*, by Bob Goff. Cost of the books is \$15.00.



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408 11th Street, Worthington, MN

Connect

WEDNESDAY

Every Wednesday Evening

5:15-5:45 pm Dinner
5:45-6:00 pm Worship
6:00-7:00 pm Programming provided for all ages

Church Work Day



Help us spruce up the building!

Thursday, October 15.
9:00a.m.-noon.