^{First} United Methodist Churc^h August 25, 2019



Worship: 5:00 pm on Saturdays; 10:00 am on Sundays

Services online at: www.fumcdixon.org - Facebook: First United Methodist Church in Dixon IL

Our mission is making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by faithfully uplifting the message of Christ

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude

Welcome and Greeting

* Call to Worship

L: With great rejoicing we come to the house of the Lord today!

P: God is our refuge and our stronghold.

L: The power and love of God flow through this gathering.

P: We place our whole trust in God's mighty compassion for us.

L: Come, let us worship the Lord!

P: Let us celebrate the presence of God here in this place and in all our lives. AMEN.

*Opening Hymn:	"Blessed Assurance"	#280 TNH

*Opening Prayer (Unison)

Lord God, whose power and mercy have extended to all ends of creation, pour your love on us this day that we might be healed and be made ready to serve you by serving others in this world that you have created. In Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.

*Gloria Patri	"Glory Be to the Father"	#70 UMH	
Special Music	"Freely, Freely"	Dave and Judy Gusse	

Scripture Reading Acts 22:1-16

"Brothers and fathers, listen to the defense that I now make before you." ² When they heard him addressing them in Hebrew, they became even more quiet. Then he said: ³ "I am a Jew, born in Tarsus in Cilicia, but brought up in this city at the feet of Gamaliel, educated strictly according to our ancestral law, being zealous for God, just as all of you are today. ⁴ I persecuted this Way up to the point of death by binding both men and women and putting them in prison, ⁵ as the high priest and the whole council of elders can testify about me. From them I also received letters to the brothers in Damascus, and I went there in order to bind those who were there and to bring them back to Jerusalem for punishment.

⁶ "While I was on my way and approaching Damascus, about noon a great light from heaven suddenly shone about me. ⁷ I fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to me, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?' ⁸ I answered, 'Who are you, Lord?' Then he said to me, 'I am Jesus of Nazareth whom you are persecuting.' ⁹ Now those who were with me saw the light but did not hear the voice of the one who was speaking to me. ¹⁰ I asked, 'What am I to do, Lord?' The Lord said to me, 'Get up and go to Damascus; there you will be told everything that has been assigned to you to do.' ¹¹ Since I could not see because of the brightness of that light, those who were with me took my hand and led me to Damascus.

¹² "A certain Ananias, who was a devout man according to the law and well spoken of by all the Jews living there, ¹³ came to me; and standing beside me, he said, 'Brother Saul, regain your sight!' In that very hour I regained my sight and saw him. ¹⁴ Then he said, 'The God of our ancestors has chosen you to know his will, to see the Righteous One and to hear his own voice; ¹⁵ for you will be his witness to all the world of what you have seen and heard. ¹⁶ And now why do you delay? Get up, be baptized, and have your sins washed away, calling on his name.'

L: This is the Word of God for the People of God.P: Thanks be to God.

Message:	Mission of Peace	Grace Mitchell	
Hymn of Response:	"Blessed is He That is Trusting in the Lord"	#286 TNH	

Congregational Prayers Please finish filling out your connect cards and place them in the offering plates when we receive the offering.

Telling of God's Activity and sharing Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Giving of Ourselves and Our Offerings

Offertory				
*Doxology	"Praise God, from Whom"	#95 UMH		
*Prayer of Thanks and Dedication				
Giving Digitally? - use our QR Code				

* Sending Hymn: "Since Jesus Came into my Heart" #

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*God's Blessing

*Postlude

I want to thank everyone that helped make my mission trip to China possible, Love Grace

Credits for Liturgy: Pastor Tim, Ministry Matters and Grace Mitchell



The "Women of Joy" weekend is a chance for women to gather together and worship their Savior. This incredible weekend is intended to bring women of all ages together to help grow and enrich a passionate relationship with Jesus Christ.

*It is an adventure with a purpose! The purpose of growing closer to Jesus Christ!

*It is an adventure with benefits! The benefits of sharing this experience with your girlfriends!

*You will hear the best in Christian music artists and speakers.

*Bring some girlfriends! Bring your Bible! Bring you journal for notes!

*And get ready to laugh...to cry...and to be willed with the Grace of God!

Register today at WOMENOFJOY.ORG or call 216-355-1554

If you have any questions, please contact Jody Mitchell, Becky Macklin, Deb Morgan or Lynne Heacock, they already have their reservations for 2020!













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Devotional Trust and Obedience







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Pack a lunch and have some fun after Sunday Worship on these dates No drop offs. Children must be supervised by their adult to attend.

Sunday June 23

Favorite Bible Story Face Painting All ages take a ticket system Fellowship Hall

Sunday July 7th Cancelled ving lunch

Sunday July14th

No-Ah (15-minute story time and craft) 12 and under (all are welcome) Fellowship Hall

Sunday July 28th

Game Show runs in 4 age categories Goofy physical challenges Fellowship Hall

Sunday August 4th

Big Bubbles **Haymarket Square** and sand art Bring your own lawn chair and sack lunch Small park on the next street over Rain plan downstairs no bubbles

Sunday August 11th

Veggie Tales Party Upstairs in Agape Youth Room

Sunday August 25th

Bible Story Face Painting and Balloon Art Fellowship Hall

Sunday September 1st Science Fun Fellowship Hall



All youth services will resume Sunday September 8,2019 earliest drop off 9:40 A.M.pick up no later than 15 minutes after Sunday worship service. Thank you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayers Katie Kromeke (Willey), Dalton Smith, Gary Pierce, Mary Fordham, Carol Sue Leslie, Ila Mae and Ken Sieberns, Dale Quick, Quint Bennett.

Food Pantry is in need of plastic bags.

In Sympathy to the family of Verna Knigge, who passed away on this week.

Agape Youth will have a kick off meeting on Sunday, August 25th from 2pm—3:30. Snacks and refreshments will be provided.



SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 8TH AT 10 AM

Looking for 25 PHK/Nursery/Agape Youth Safe Gathering approved volunteers. Volunteer sing up forms will be available in the Narthex and also across from the Chapel, for you to start scheduling the dates that you would like to help out.

If anyone is interested in decorating for the grand re-opening of PHK, please show up on any Monday between 10am and 4pm. The last day of decorating will be Monday, August 26th. If you have any questions please contact the office.

God's Table is being set up by the Chapel and in the Narthex. Please bring any extra garden goodies in to share. Anyone may take the food left for all to enjoy. A donation is appreciated. Any leftover food and the donations will be given to the Food Pantry.

We encourage you to send cards to our shut-ins., we will list a few each week. Glen Swarts, Oregon Living & Rehab Center, 811 S 10th St, Oregon 61061; Denton Swartz, 1501 Lowell Park Rd, Apt 2P, Dixon 61021 and Ila Mae and Ken Sieberns, 724 Medinah Ct, Dixon 61021 Those Serving us this week: Inside Greeters: 5:00 10:00 Head Ushers: 10:00 Reed Nelson Outside greeters: 10:00 Scripture: 10:00 Audio: Jon Wadsworth & team

THIS WEEK:

Tues 6:00, Staff Parish

Wed, BULLETIN DEADLINE

Wed 6:00, Ladies Ensemble Practice

Wed 6:30, Bell Choir Practice

Wed 7:30, Chancel Choir Practice

Thurs 9:30, Bazaar Workshop

Fri 7am, Men's Emmaus

Sat 5:00, Worship

Sun 8:30, Bible Study, Conf. Room/Ruth Rm.

Sun 10:00, Worship

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Weekly Bible Reading—Bible Overview Reading Plan As you read Psalms mediate on each of them as instructed by Ps 1:2 "and on his law he meditates day and night." Read and reread to gain understanding of what God is trying to say to you.				
8/26/2019	Psalms	23		
8/27/2019	Psalms	24		
8/28/2019	Psalms	25		
8/29/2019	Psalms	26		
8/30/2019	Psalms	27		