First United Methodist Church June 19th & 20th, 2021



Worship: 5:00 pm on Saturdays in the Chapel 10:00 am on Sundays in the Sanctuary

> 202 S Peoria Ave Dixon, IL 61021

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

Prelude

Greeting

Call to Worship

L: God's love for us is great!

P: God is like a loving parent, who watches over us.

L: God's mercy for us is great!

P: God reaches out to us in healing patience and peace.

L: Praise be to God who has called us here.

P: Praise be to God whose love and mercy is given to us. AMEN.

Opening Hymn:

Opening Prayer

Center us, O God, to worship you this day.

Remove our needless armor.

Be our stronghold.

Grant us calm.

Give us joyful hearts and ready minds,

that we may be open to your grace. Amen.

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13 NRSV

6 As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ² For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you,

and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³ We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴ but

as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵ beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶ by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷ truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸ in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹ as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰ as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

¹¹ We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹² There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³ In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

L: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

Message: Open Wide Our Hearts Pastor Young Sun Lee

Hymn of Response:

Congregational Prayers

Telling of God's Activity and sharing joys and concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The 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.

Dedicating and Offering our Lives to God (unison)

Almighty Creator, you have blessed us with abundant life and steadfast love. We offer these gifts to you, asking that your Holy Spirit will bless them and use them to shower grace and love upon our brothers and sisters, both near and far. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

Sending Hymn:

Blessing and Sending

Credits for Liturgy: Pastor Young Sun, Pastor Tim, Ministry Matters, and Nancy Burnett











ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayers: Katie Kromeke (Willey), Gary Pierce, Farrell Wright, Ben Bryson (grandson of Jessie Marie and Dick Dir), Corinne Hunsberger, Norm Krug, Nancy Moore, Denny Arjes, Dalton Smith, Marilyn Millin (Pat Fox's sister), Glenn Kersten, Russell Johnson, Jim Book, Milan Christian, Linda Heckert, Amy Bailey (Becky Macklin's sister)

Heartfelt thank you to my amazing church family for the prayers, many acts of love and caring during my recent health issues. God is good, I am blessed. Carolyn Paisley

Sunday Morning Bible Study group is beginning a new study on The Shepard Trilogy, see Laura Brooks for more information.

It's God's Garden Table time again. If you have a garden and have extra, please bring to church on Saturday night or Sunday morning so members can buy them. Proceeds will go to the Food Pantry.

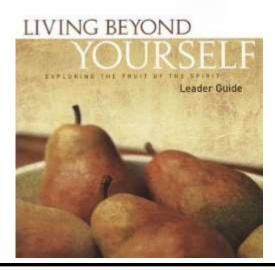
Prayer with the Prayer Team...Please pray for JOY Camp attendees, counselors and helpers throughout the coming week. JOY (Jesus Others You) Camp begins Sunday, June 10 and runs through Saturday, June 26. Prayer ideas: Holy Spirit fills each hearts, all come to know Jesus better, each person develops a stronger prayer life, weather, health, safety, etc. May our prayers bring blessing on JOY Camp. Thank you, Prayer Team

THE CHURCH IS NOT accepting any recycling items until further notice!!!!

Beth Moore invites us to know the freedom of a life filled with the Spirit. She will lead an in-depth study of the fruit of the Spirit-living proof that the Spirit of God dwells in each of us. Beth challenges us to develop the fruit by maintaining an intimate relationship with the Spirit of God. As we walk with God, He develops in us the fruit of the Spirit. A Spirit-filled life truly results in living beyond ourselves.

This fascinating 11-week Bible Study will be offered on Wednesday morning at 9:30 starting on July 7th. All classes will meet in the parlor at the First United Methodist Church. The study will be led by Lynne Heacock. You may register by signing the sheet in the narthex, chapel or by calling the church (815-284-2849)

BETH MOORE



Military Calendar

The Prayer Team is once again creating a calendar listing people currently serving in the military. If you have a family member or friend currently serving in the military and would like him/her to be prayed for please provide the information requested below. Only name and birthdate (month and day) will be put on the calendar. Please include their address if possible so cards can be sent at Christmas time. The calendar will be distributed to the congregation giving us the opportunity to pray for God's protection for those serving in the military throughout the next year.

Soldier's Name
Month of BirthDay of Birth
Branch of the Service
Mailing address of soldier
Names of soldier's spouse and/or number of children
Person submitting soldiers name
Your relationship to soldier
Please provide the information to Melissa by calling the office at 815-284-2849, stopping by the office, or emailing her at dixon1stsecretary@yahoo.com by June 28, 2021.

Thank you for supporting our military.

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord..." Psalm 33:12

First United Methodist Church Prayer Team

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Weekly Bible Reading Dixon First Reads Together

Week 6/21-6/25: Zechariah 2

Monday: Zechariah Chapter 2

Tuesday: Zechariah Chapter 3

Wednesday: Zechariah Chapter 4

Thursday: Zechariah Chapter 5

Friday: Zechariah Chapter 6

