

First United Methodist Church

July 17th & 18th, 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: We gather together in the name of Jesus Christ—

P: members of God's family,

L: and brothers and sisters to one another.

P: There are no outsiders here among us,

L: no one has any special standing or bragging rights.

P: For we have been brought together by the redeeming love of Jesus.

All: Let's join together in worship!

Hymn:

"Sanctuary"

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Opening Prayer (unison)

Almighty God, you have built your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone. Join us together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may become a holy temple, acceptable to you: through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. This prayer we ask to your glory and in the name of Jesus who brings us peace. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹ Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called "uncircumcised" by those who call themselves "the circumcision" (which is done in the body by human hands)—¹² remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

¹⁴ For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, ¹⁵ by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. ¹⁷ He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸ For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.

¹⁹ Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household,²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone.²¹ In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord.²² And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

Message

He Is Our Peace

Pastor Tim Mitchell

Hymn of Preparation

"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

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Congregational Prayers

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Holy God, you love us so deeply that you pursue us relentlessly. You sent your son Jesus into the world that we who were far off would be brought near to you by his blood. We offer our gifts to you, knowing we can never out give you, never balance the equation. You don't desire balance, no quid-pro-quo, only that we find the peace you desire for us, whose foundation is in your word and whose cornerstone is Christ alone. In that holy name, we pray. Amen.

***Hymn of Going Forth:**

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

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***God's Blessing**

***Postlude**

Credits for Liturgy: Pastor Tim, Discipleship Ministries, 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, David Moore, Denny Arjes, Dalton Smith, Marilyn Millin (Pat Fox's sister), Glenn Kersten, Linda Heckert, Cindy Bennett, Jackie Krager (Janet Shaw's mother), Ereka H.

Come celebrate with the Kramer's. The Kramer's are having a celebration for their 80th wedding anniversary, John's 101st birthday and Elaine's 101st birthday on Saturday, August 7th at the Sugar Grover school from 1pm—4pm. They ask to just come and celebrate, no gifts please.

Thank you for the prayers, phone calls and cards during my recent illness... Jim Book.

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

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Weekly Bible Reading Dixon First Reads Together

July 17th & 18th— Week 2: He is Our Peace

Ephesians 2:11-22

Keep reading the bible....it is reader's choice