

First United Methodist Church

July 24th & 25th, 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: Holy God, bless our lives, sanctify us,

P: and in your way, grant us our hearts desire.

L: Anoint us with your grace

P: that what we desire is also what you desire.

L: Help us to understand

P: that our hearts' true desire is the love of you.

L: May the love of Christ urge us on,

P: may we walk by faith.

All: Thank you God, for all our blessings.

Hymn:

"Here I Am to Worship"

#3177 WS

Opening Prayer (unison)

Merciful God, we have not loved you with all our being. In your kindness, you formed the world as one glorious, diverse, many-colored place; in our stubbornness and sinful pride, we have distorted your intention for humanity and for all creation. As your church, we have often perpetuated the divisions Christ came to destroy. In your grace, forgive us and free us from the grip of sin. Help us to worship and serve you joyfully for the sake of the salvation of the entire world through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21

¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶ I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷ and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸ I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰ Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in

Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Message

Rooted & Grounded in Love

Pastor Young Sun Lee

Hymn of Preparation :

“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

#175 UMH

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

Mighty and all-knowing God who sees us as we are and as we might be: What offering can we give that will bring you joy? We have brought gifts this morning that you might dedicate them to the work of caring and compassion in our neighborhoods, in our nations, and throughout the world. Yet all the money we have can’t accomplish what you can make happen if we simply let Christ dwell in our hearts – not for an hour on Sundays but every hour of every day. This is the offering we dedicate this day. In Christ, our redeemer, we pray. Amen.

***Hymn of Going Forth:**

“To God Be the Glory”

#98 UMH

***God’s Blessing**

***Postlude**

Credits for Liturgy: Pastor Tim, Pastor Young Sun, 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 Cramer'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.

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

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Weekly Bible Reading Dixon First Reads Together

July 24th & 25th — Week 3: Grounded & Rooted in Love

Ephesians 3:14-21

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