

First United Methodist Church

August 7th & 8th, 2021



Speaking Truth

GEARED UP FOR LIFE WORSHIP SERIES

*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*

Greeting

Call to Worship

L: Come, let us put away all things that divide us and love one another.

P: For we are members of one another.

L: Come; let us not be divided from one another by gender, race, color, or status.

P: For we are members of one another.

L: Come; let us put away lies, anger, stealing, and corrupt words.

P: For we are members of one another.

L: Come; let us put away bitterness, wrath, clamor, and malice.

P: For we are members of one another.

L: Come; let us put away uncleanness, idolatry, and deception.

P: For we are members of one another.

L: Together let us speak truth, labor together, and do what is good and edifying to the Lord.

P: Let us be imitators of God, walk as the children of God, and love as Christ first loved us.

L: Come, let us be the people of God we are called to be.

P: For we are saints, God's chosen people, and members of one another. AMEN.

Opening Hymn:

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

#402 UMH

Opening Prayer (unison)

Source of faithful love, you redeem us from our wrongs.

We come before you today, eager to be refreshed in body and to be made whole in spirit.

Feed us from the living bread that comes down from heaven, for we are drawn to your Son

as steel is drawn to a magnet. Build up our community of faith through the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may live as those who are worthy of our calling. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 4:25–5:2

²⁵ So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶ Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷ and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸ Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹ Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹ Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³² and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

⁵ ¹ Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ² and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Message :

Speaking Truth

Pastor Young Sun Lee

Hymn of Preparation :

"Let there Be Peace on Earth"

#438 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

Patient and Merciful God, we hear your call to live in love as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. Our ears hear these words in our worship; our minds know what they mean; our hearts long to follow them; but we know that tomorrow we will be tempted to slip into the familiar life where we ourselves are at the center of our world and the needs we focus on are almost entirely our own. In our giving this day, help us strengthen our resolve to love as Christ loves us, for it is in the name of Jesus that we pray. Amen.

***Hymn of Going Forth:** *"I've Got Peace Like a River"* #2145 TFWS

***God's Blessing**

***Postlude**

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

Our adult Sunday class that formally met in the Ruth Room will now meet in the Parlor beginning on September 5 at 8:30. We will be studying the book "Exodus: Learning to Trust God." Everyone is welcome.

Choir returning!!! Invitation for singers to join the Chancel Choir which rehearses every Wednesday 7:30-8:30 starting on August 18th. The Bell Choir will be rehearsing every Wednesday 6-7 starting August 18th. If you are interested in joining please come to rehearsal and if you have any questions please contact Tommy Whitcombe.

Our church is scheduled to deliver Meals on Wheels September 13-17 and September 20-24. We need volunteers to cover four routes each day with two people per route. I have contact information for those of you who have helped before but, if you have not been part of this ministry and would like to, please call or text Sue Stach at 815-535-7996 or email her at kevinsue@comcast.net. Thank you! Sue

Reminder: new protocols are being put in place due to St. Anne's using the church for at least the first part of the school year. If you have questions on what protocols are being put in place, please feel free to contact Melissa, Pastor Tim or Pastor Young Sun.



Wherefore putting
away lying, speak every
man truth with his
neighbor: for we are
members one of
another.
-Ephesians 4:25





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Weekly Bible Reading Dixon First Reads Together

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Ephesians 4:25-5:2

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