

First United Methodist Church

August 28th & 29th, 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 greatness is wondrous to behold.

P: Everywhere we look, we can see the imprint of God.

L: From the loftiest mountains to the crashing waters of the sea,

P: There God's greatness stands majestically.

L: God's greatness can be within the human heart.

P: Let us honor and praise God with acts of loving kindness and compassion.

AMEN.

Hymn:

"He Has Made Me Glad"

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Opening Prayer (unison)

Gracious God, you have made all of the peoples of the earth for your glory. You invite us to serve you in freedom and in peace. Give to the people of our nation a zeal for justice and the strength for forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will. We ask this on a day of celebration, a day of hope for a nation made free. We ask this in the name of the one who welcomes all to be free indeed. Inspire us to live and worship in your freedom and for the sake of your kingdom. Amen.

Scripture Reading: James 1:17-27 (NRSV)

¹⁷ Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸ In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

¹⁹ You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰ for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. ²¹ Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

²² But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. ²³ For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; ²⁴ for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. ²⁵ But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

²⁶ If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. ²⁷ Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Message

Avoiding Anger

Pastor Tim Mitchell

Hymn of Response:

"Take My Life, and Let it Be"

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Congregational Prayers

Telling of God's Activity and sharing Joys and Concerns

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayers: Katie Kromeke (Willey), Gary Pierce, Farrell Wright, Ben Bryson (grandson of Jessie Marie and Dick Dir), Corinne Hunsberger, Denny Arjes, Dalton Smith, Marilyn Millin (Pat Fox's sister), Glenn Kersten, Linda Heckert, Erika H., Hiram Ludwig


Deepest Sympathy to Joan Krug and family on the passing of her husband Norm Krug.

I would like to thank the church for lifting me up in prayer, for the cards I received, and the inquires as to how I am doing. It is hard to stay positive when you're going through cancer. I know that each day when I felt down, a card magically showed up or a note of encouragement came through on social media. Thank you all. I am appreciative and I'm doing well. Cindy Bennett.

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.

Baptism celebration of Molly Marie Schmidt



Every 
generous act
and every
Perfect gift
is from above,
coming down
from the Father
of LIGHTS
James 1:17



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Weekly Bible Reading Dixon First Reads Together

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