Dixon First United Methodist Church January 14th & 15th, 2023



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www.fumcdixon.org
Facebook: FUMC Dixon
5:00 pm on Saturdays; 10:00 am on Sundays

Our mission is making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by faithfully uplifting the message of Christ

"*" Indicates to stand as you are able or inclined

Prelude

Welcome and Greeting

*Call To Worship

L: I waited patiently for GOD; who turned to me and heard my cry, who lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; and set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.

- P: We sing a new song! Our mouths are full of the praise of God.
- L: Blessed are we when we make the Lord our trust; when we do not turn aside to false gods.
 - P: We sing of all your many wonders, O God, too many to declare them all.
- L: Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but our ears you have pierced and a body you have prepared for us.
- P: We sing, "Here I am, I have come— I desire to do your will, O my God; your law is in my heart."

Opening Prayer – (unison)

Oh God, we come before you this day praising and glorifying your name. We want to make a difference. We want to make you known to the world around us. We serve you in humility, depending on your holy presence in our lives. Empower us to be your witnesses to the ends of the earth. In the precious name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn: "Here I Am, Lord" #593 UMH

Giving of Ourselves and Our Offerings

Good and generous God, we bring our gifts to you this day and pray you might dedicate them to your work. We confess that we have too often missed being the church you wanted and needed, and we have placed the blame on "not having enough" money, members, talent, time, or power. We needed to be reminded by the apostle Paul that we have all that we need, whatever our circumstances. Renew us, loving God, and give us a new day and another chance. In Christ's holy name, we pray. Amen. (1 Corinthians 1:1-9)

Chancel Choir "King of Kings"

Passing the Peace from a Distance

Preparing to Hear God's Word: "Lord I Want to Be a Christian" #402 UMH

(We are going to sing this song as the choir rejoins the congregation)

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

1 This letter is from Paul, chosen by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and from our brother Sosthenes.

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

P: Thanks be to God.

Message Not Lacking Rev. Tim Mitchell

*Hymn of Response" "To God Be the Glory" #98 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.

*Hymn of Going Forth: "I Know Whom I Have Believed" #714 UMH

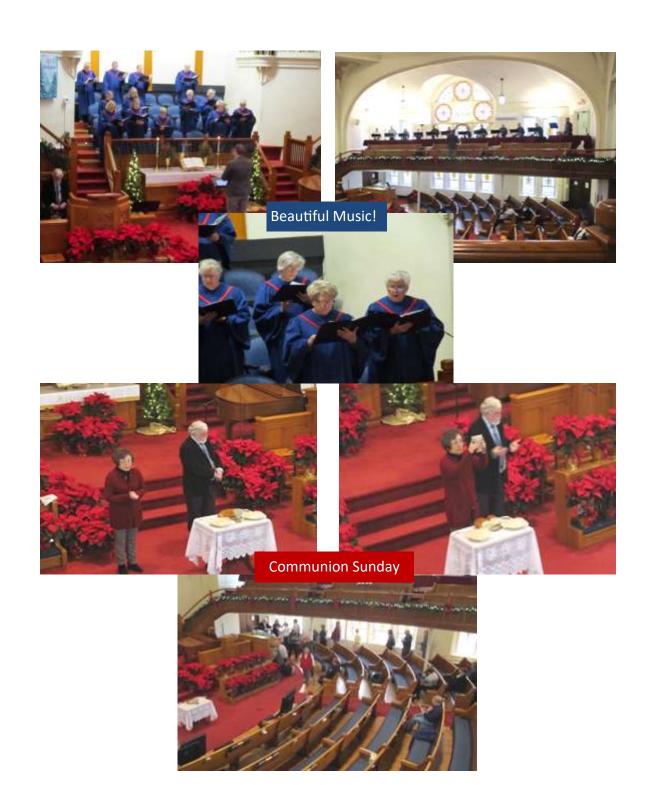
*God's Blessing

*Postlude

² I am writing to God's church in Corinth, to you who have been called by God to be His own holy people. He made you holy by means of Christ Jesus, just as He did for all people everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their Lord and ours.

³ May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace.

⁴ I always thank my God for you and for the gracious gifts He has given you, now that you belong to Christ Jesus. ⁵ Through Him, God has enriched your church in every way—with all of your eloquent words and all of your knowledge. ⁶ This confirms that what I told you about Christ is true. ⁷ Now you have every spiritual gift you need as you eagerly wait for the return of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸ He will keep you strong to the end so that you will be free from all blame on the day when our Lord Jesus Christ returns. ⁹ God will do this, for He is faithful to do what He says, and He has invited you into partnership with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

















Lesson at Bright Beginnings Daycare this week: kids learn how Noah obeyed God.

Our Beyond the Horizon Vision (BTHV)

Dixon First United Methodist Church is a community of faith that provides a caring place to thrive and flourish. Being a part of Dixon FUMC is being part of a family, not perfect, but a loving and caring place to call home.

Faith is a building block for life that is essential to flourish. If anything robs you of that foundation, you will discover the loss of faith will be devastating. You will realize this reality in moments of terror as tragedy overwhelms your life. Most of the time we live life on autopilot, but when struggles happen, we need a strong faith-based foundation that is unshakable.

Over the next 5 years, our community of faith will be the compass for guiding hundreds of families into a loving and life-giving relationship with Jesus Christ. Through our discipleship pathway, we will help them grow Jesus-Shaped lives that reflect Christ's values and not those of the world.

We want you, your family, and everyone in our community and the surrounding area to flourish. Come and join us as we journey together, seeking to make Christ our cornerstone, the anchor in the storms of our chaotic world. Our vision is to see our community, nation, and the world grow together into a loving relationship with God and our neighbor.

DON'T MISS THIS MISSION OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY STARTING IN 2023!

Supporting local businesses is a part of our mission and vision statement. We can all be a part of guiding ourselves, our families and everyone in our community and the surrounding area "into a loving and life-giving relationship with Jesus Christ" by building relationships with others and with our local business owners.

So...in the new year, please continue to fill out the Connect Card to help us stay connected and build relationships. As an added incentive to filling out the card and turning it in every service, each card will be entered in a monthly drawing for a **gift card/certificate** to a local business. What better way get to know and support our local businesses and help others flourish too!



Announcements

Prayers: Katie Kromeke (Willey), Denny Arjes, Dalton Smith, Cindy Gabany, Karen Hundrieser, Bill Maass (Phyllis Doan's brother), Travis Malston, Glenn Kersten, Carla Anderson, John Cramer, Jean Reed, Becky Hundrieser, Delores Renne, Karlie Cox, Joel, Jonathan, & Zach.

Condolences to Connie and the Barnes family on the passing of Curt Barnes on Dec. 10, 2022. A memorial service is scheduled for May 6, 2023 at Law Jones Funeral Home in Lanark at 2PM. Visitation will be from 12PM to 2 PM before the service.

NOTE: We will be preparing The Herald for mailing on January 24 in the Parlor. Please come for a great time of fellowship! If you have anything to include in the Herald, please email it to the church office by January 18th. Thanks for your service!

AGAPE YOUTH will meet in 2023 on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11:30 AM in the youth lounge. See you on January 22nd!

POWERHOUSE KIDS meet every Sunday morning at 10 AM in the 3rd floor Arena Room. Join Pastor Tim, Pastor Young Sun and our loving "shepherds" for lessons, activities, snacks, and crafts. Ages toddler through 4th grade.

Martha Circle will meet Tuesday, January 17 at 9:30 AM in the Parlor

Pastor Tim will be on dissertation leave from January 23 - February 12. Jody will be in contact with him in case of emergencies only, otherwise, he will not be taking phone calls, emails or texts during this time. Contact Pastor Young Sun or call the church office, if necessary.



DISTRICT TRAINING EVENT - Saturday, January 21 we will host the **Prairie South** District Training Event from 8:30 to Noon. Volunteers will be needed to help host!



Schedule: 8:30 am: Registration

9:00 am: Worship (with communion)

9:45 am: Break 10:00 am: Classes

12:00 pm noon: Dismissal

Classes: Pick 1 Class

SPRC - led by Rev. Arlene Christopherson

Intentional Discipleship

led by Rev. Caleb Hong and Karen Bonnell

One Board Model - led by Rev. Timothy Mitchell

Anti-Racism

- led by Rev. Jeremiah Thompson & Rev. Luis Reyes

Congregational Care Ministry
- led by Buzz Wheeler and Pastor Marcia Peddicord

Blessing Your City - led by Pastor Jim Miller Creating a Culture of Call - led by Rev. Jim Bell

Registration: www.umcnic.org/calendar/prairie-south-leadership-training Questions? Contact Marcia Peddicord fumcsecretary@gmail.com Northern Illinois Conference

Staff Phone Numbers

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