

Happy Birthday!

- 12 Brian Hokeness
- 13 Alycia Lyons
- 14 Ryan Lee
- 15 Brooke Grussing
- Navaeh Hietbrink
- 16 Braden DeSmith
- 17 Jan Heidebrink
- Cory Klingenberg

Happy Anniversary!

- 14 Galen & Sherry Benton
- 16 Ryan & Naomi Hill

Church Family Prayer List

Each week throughout the year, we pray intentionally for families from all of our churches - please include these families in your prayer life this week.

Agnes Johnson
Andrew Johnson
Dave Johnson
Jeremy Johnson
Mike & Janelle Johnson
Jason & Marie Johnson & family
Kyle & Andrea Johnson
Steve & Terry Johnson
Cody & Kristen Jones
Wayne & Sharon Jones
Walter & Alice Kellen

Let's remember to visit those who are in Care Centers or are homebound: especially reach out to Betty Taarud, Margaret Loger, Mary Prins, LaDee Grant, and Norma Swenson

One visit goes a long way!

PRAYER CORNER

Prayers for immediate health concerns:

Shellie Williams	Logan Waldner
Etta Schroeder	Ron Husenga
Lourdes Franco	Chris Nelson
Lowell Carlson	Rod Behrends
Beth Habicht	Clyde Scheevel
Virgil Buck	Corky Tate
Kathy Tetrick-Hoffbeck (pastor @Jeffers)	
Colter (Thelma Yager's great nephew)	
Kristin (Dalrymple) Amundson	
Anne Christine Lindell (Pastor John's friend)	
Phil Bjerke	
Dianne Dalrymple	

Prayers for those dealing with cancer

Galen Benton	Shellie William
Janelle Johnson	
Christopher Allen Brown	
Marian Reitsma (friend of Jolene Kuhl)	
Stacy White	
Mike Miller	
Jeff Wachell (friend of Deb Steinle)	

Persons recovering/dealing with health issues:

Nancy Hyink	Alden Remme
Bill Carlberg	Emma Schnyders
Ariana Lopez	Larry Doeden
Pat Huisenga	

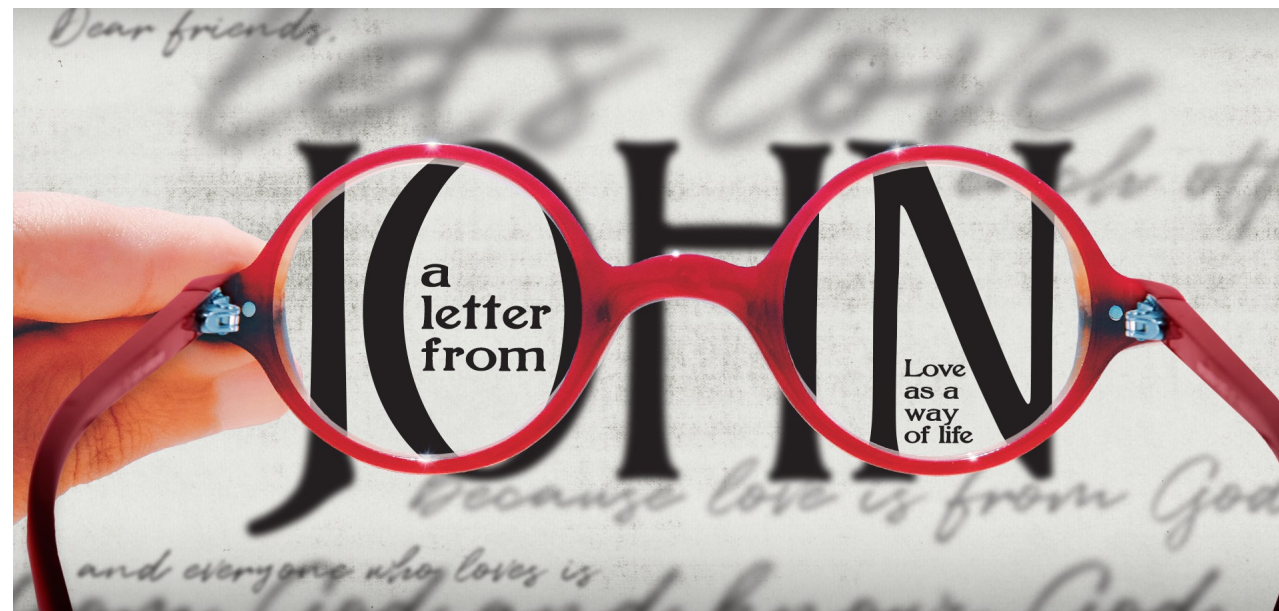
For those dealing with grief and loss...

Giving thanks & praying for:

Our Bishop and District Superintendent...
Our teachers, administrators, students...
Front line health care workers...
Law enforcement & emergency workers...
Service women & men and their families...

If you have a loved one you would like to have added to the Prayer Corner list, or if any name needs to be removed from this list, please contact the church office:

507.372.2939
methodistoffice@gmail.com



Sunday, January 11th, 2026
Worship - 10:30 a.m.



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(<http://firstumcworthington.com/>)

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Pastor John Mitchem

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Sermon Notes:

Worthington First UMC is a church where

The Vision of First UMC Church is to be biblically centered, welcoming to everyone, vibrantly praying, worshiping, serving, and caring for our neighbors.

JESUS IS
known

**ALL ARE LOVED AND
NEIGHBORS ARE SERVED.**

GENEROSITY MOMENT

(please place your offering in the plates as you depart worship or visit our website <http://www.firstumcworthington.com/give>)

DOXOLOGY

UMH #94 - *"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"*

We Hear God's Word

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 John 1:1-2 (CEB)

MESSAGE

**"A Letter from John = Love as a way of Life—
Life, Light, Love
Pastor John Mitchem**

We Go Forth to Serve God

THE BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

UMH #534 *"Be Still, My Soul"*

Free to follow Pastor John on Social Media
<https://www.facebook.com/jdmitchem>

Care Center Residents:

First UMC:

Meadows Memory Care

Ray Hinz

The Shores

LaDee Grant

Sibley Specialty Care Center

Norma Swenson

Adrian UMC:

Mary Jane Brown Ctr (Luverne)

Mary Prins

Adrian Country Living Cottage

Margaret Loger

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This Week

SUN

6:30 am

Jan 11

Worship Re-Broadcast on TV

9:00 am

Worship @ Adrian

9:00 am

Youth Sunday School

9:45 am

Coffee Fellowship - FH

10:30 am

Worship @ First

1:00 pm

Cristo En Tu Ayuda

MON

3:00 pm

Jan 12

Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3

TUES

9:30 am

Jan 13

Ladies' Coffee @ Hy-Vee

3:00 pm

Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3

3:00 pm

PSPRC Meeting

4:00 pm

Family Life Meeting

WED

5:15 pm

Jan 14

Connect Wednesday Dinner

5:45 pm

Worship

5:45 pm

Confirmation

6:00 pm

Program

7:00 pm

Bell Practice

THURS

4:30 pm

Jan 15

Missions Meeting

5:30 pm

First Council Meeting

FRI

8:00 pm

Jan 16

Youth Lock-In @ First Lutheran

SUN

6:30 am

Jan 18

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9:00 am

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Meals needed for Connect

Please consider providing a meal for our Wednesday evening Connect! You will find a sign-up sheet in the narthex with available dates for the next few weeks. The church will cover the cost of the meal, we just need you to prepare and serve it. THANK YOU for considering this important part of our mid-week ministry here at our church! See Gretchen if you have any questions!

Lock-in for the youth!

Our youth are invited to join with the youth at First Lutheran for a lock-in on Friday, January 16th. Grades 6th through 12th are invited to come and bring their friends for this night full of food, fun and festivities. Bring a white elephant gift to exchange and a snack to share. End time is Saturday the 17th at 8:00a.m. Start time is to be determined. See Gretchen if you are interested for more details!



Fireside Book Club

The Hiding Place
By Corrie Ten Boom

January 27, 2026

7:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room