Happy Birthday!

Nov 1 Dennis Bonsma Jayse Geertsema Shelly Klooster

2 Cheryl Bonsma Nicole Grimmius

5 Davis Moore

6 Jason Childers

7 Eldon Bents Angeline Cunningham

8 Tom Vagt

Happy Anniversary!

4 Trevor & Erin Nickel

6 Kevin & Brenda DeSmith

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.

Christopher & Clarisse Hill & family Ryan & Naomi Hill Ray Hinz Ashley Hoefker Kenny & Ellen Hoefker Kristen Hoefker Scott Hoffman Julie Hohensee Dave & Cindy Hokeness & family Ray Hokeness Jeff & Cheryl Homan

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!



Prayers for immediate health concerns:

Shellie Williams Kari Meyer's father
Etta Schroeder Logan Waldner
Lourdes Franco Chris Nelson
Sherry Benton Lowell Carlson
Beth Habicht Clyde Scheevel
Virgil Buck Rod Behrends

Ron Husenga

Kathy Tetrick-Hoffbeck (pastor @Jeffers)
Colter (Thelma Yager's great nephew)

Kristin (Dalrymple) Amundson

Prayers for those dealing with cancer

Galen Benton Shellie Williams
Myron Grussing Janelle Johnson

Christopher Allen Brown

Duane Enns

Marian Reitsma (friend of Jolene Kuhl)

Stacy White Mike Miller

Jeff Wachell (friend of Deb Steinle)

Persons recovering/dealing with health issues:

Nancy Hyink
Weston Erlandson
Emma Schnyders
Pat Huisenga

Alden Remme
Bill Carlberg
Ariana Lopez
Larry Doeden

For those dealing with grief and loss...

Giving thanks & praying for:

Our farmers during this harvest season Our Bishop and District Superintendent...

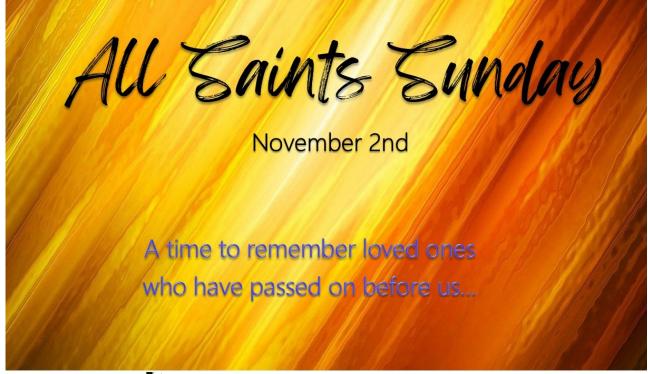
Our teachers, administrators, students...

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, November 2nd, 2025 Worship - 10:30 a.m.



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Sunday, November 2nd, 2025 10:30 am.

Worship Leader: Pastor John Mitchem
Song Leader: Elizabeth Bushard
Accompanist: Carolyn Beerman

PRELUDE
WELCOME
TIME OF FOCUS

We Come to Worship God

OPENING HYMN

UMH#709 - "Come, Let Us Join Dur Friends Above"

CALL TO WORSHIP

On this All Saints Day, we gather to join the multitude of saints across the generations from all tribes, peoples, and languages to proclaim:

Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

We come to remember, to grieve, and to celebrate those saints who have come before, yet whose life and witness continues to teach us:

Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

We gather today as the family of Christ, siblings, and saints, diverse yet united by grace to live lives that declare:

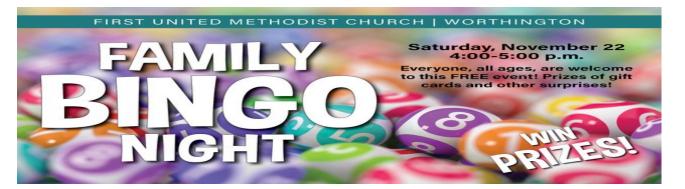
Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

May we be guided today by the Lamb, our Shepherd, who gathers, comforts, and tends us.

May we join in the work of the Shepherd to bring about a world with no more hunger, thirst, of suffering and no more pain that all the saints of the past, the present, and the future may share in God's abundant life. Amen.

MOMENTS WITH THE YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Sermon Notes:				
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Helpers are needed to work at our Bingo event on November 22nd from 3:30-5:30 pm. Cookies are also needed. A sign up sheet is in the Narthex. Thank you!



FUMC is hosting the Community Thanksgiving Eve Service this year and we need your help! A sign up sheet is available in the Narthex to provide pies and to help in the kitchen for this event. The service will be held on Wednesday, November 26th at 6:00 pm.

All who would like to sing in the "Instant Choir" meet at 5:15 pm Eric Parrish will be directing.



Honoring of the Saints

Delores Burkness, Lois Carlberg, Robert Darling, Richard Dyke, Jim Hibma,

Mollie McGuire, Doris Palmer

HYMN

UMH#711 "For All the Saints"

PRAYER HYMN

TFWS #2086 - "Open Dur Eyes, Lord"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Matthew 5:3-12

MESSAGE

"Trusting Jesus & the Saints"

Pastor John Mitchem

HOLY COMMUNION - THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION HYMN

TFWS #2268 "As We Gather at Your Table"

We Go Forth to Serve God

THE BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

UMH #378 "Amazing Grace"

Care Center Residents:

First UMC:

<u>Meadows Memory Care</u> 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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FH = Fellowship Hall FR = Fireside Room

This Week

SUN	Nov 2 All Saints Day
6:30 am	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV
9:00 am	Worship @ Adrian
9:00 am	Sunday School
9:00 am	Adult SS w/Randy Shirbroun
9:45 am	Coffee Fellowship – FH
10:30 am	Worship @ First
11:30 am	Baked Potato Lunch
1:00 pm	Cristo En Tu Ayuda
MON	Nov 3
9:00 am	Ladies Fall Bible Study - FR
3:00 pm	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3
6:30 pm	Zoom Bible Study
TUES	Nov 4
9:30 am	Ladies' Coffee @ Hy-Vee
2:00 pm	Grief Share @First Lutheran
3:00 pm	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3
4:00 pm	Family Life Meeting
7:00 pm	Chamber Singers practice
WED	Nov 5
8:00 am	Men's Breakfast @Blue Line
5:15 pm	Connect Wednesday dinner
5:45 pm 6:00 pm	Worship Program
6:00 pm	Confirmation Meeting
7:00 pm	Bell practice
THURS	Nov 6
10:00 am	Bible Discussion @ Phileo's
7:00 pm	WASO practice - FH
SUN	November 9
6:30 am	Worship Re-Broadcast on TV
9:00 am	Worship @ Adrian
9:00 am	Sunday School
9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
9:00 am	Pack Operation Christmas Boxes-FH
9:45 am	Coffee Fellowship – FH
10:30 am	Worship @ First
11:30 am	Baked Potato Lunch
1:00 pm	Cristo En Tu Ayuda

The Christmas Experience

Join us on Sunday mornings starting on November 2nd and going through December 14th (excluding November 30th) at 9:00a.m. in the Fireside Room to walk together through The Christmas Experience. Led by Randy Shirbroun, this will be a meaningful way to start thinking about the real-life experiences of Mary and Joseph and all who were a part of the very first Christmas. You will not want to miss this class!

OCC Shoebox Packing Boxes

We will continue to collect items for the Operation Christmas Child boxes through Friday, November 7th.

Everyone is invited to join in on Sunday, November 9th at 9:00 A.M. in the Fellowship Hall to pack boxes with the items that have been donated throughout the year.

Monetary donations can be given through Sunday, November 16th. Your generosity is very much appreciated in helping with packing the boxes.

Boxes are available in the narthex if you would like to pack your own Operation Christmas Child. Please have them returned to the church by Sunday, November 16th so they can be blessed at the worship service and then taken over to the collection site.

Worthington Area Symphony Orchestra

The Worthington Area Symphony Orchestra will be presenting its annual Holiday Concert on Saturday, November 15th at 7:00 p.m. at the Memorial Auditorium. Please join for an evening of excellent music!



Already-made pieces for sale (think Christmas!)
Or make two pieces of jewelry for \$5
All materials supplied / options include necklaces,
bracelets, rings, earrings, key chains
All proceeds to Mission Haiti