Happy Birthday!

Nov 25 Amy Stefferud

26 Roger Grimmius

Happy Anniversary!

27 Corky & Ginny Tate

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

Remsen, IA St Mary's High School girls'

Prayers for those dealing with cancer
Galen Benton Shellie William
Janelle Johnson Duane Enns
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
Bill Carlberg
Ariana Lopez

Pat Huisenga

basketball team

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 23rd, 2025 Worship - 10:30 am.



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Sunday, November 23rd, 2025 10:30 am.

Worship Leader: Pastor John Mitchem Song Leader: Elizabeth Bushard Accompanist: Jolene Kuhl

PRELUDE
WELCOME
TIME OF FOCUS

We Come to Worship God

OPENING HYMN

UMH#369 - "Blessed Assurance"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship the eternal God, who laid the foundations of the earth and created the heavens with His hands.

We give thanks that the universe will change and fade, but He remains forever.

We are called to worship Him, for He is the same, and His years have no end.

Let us acknowledge the unchangeable nature of our God in contrast to the fleeting world around us. Therefore, let us enter into His presence with thanksgiving and praise for His steadfastness that never fails, proclaiming His goodness and grace.

MOMENTS WITH THE YOUNG CHRISTIANS

| Sermon Notes | ;• | | |
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Events at FUMC Worthington

November 30: First Sunday of Advent

Starting the Grinch sermon series and lighting of Advent candles.

December 7: Christmas Cookie Decorating of sugar cookies, icing, sprinkles; activity to be held 10:00-10:30 am in the social hall, post-Sunday school. Open for kids, parents, grandparents, and everyone! This is intended as a fun communal event.

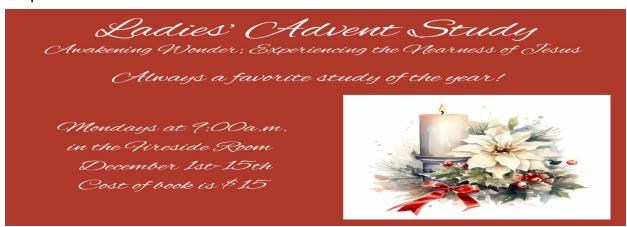
December 14: Sunday School Program

December 21: Bell Choir performance, "Noisy Coin" offering,

Ugly Christmas Sunday- Wear a sweater, have your picture taken and maybe win a prize

Blue Christmas Service 6 pm

December 24: Christmas Eve Services - 6:00 pm at FUMC Worthington and 8:00 pm at Adrian





PRAYER HYMN UMH#526 - "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

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"

SPECIAL MUSIC "Postlude of Doxology" Jolene Kuhl

1. Praise God from Whom all Blessing Flow

2. Glory Be to the Father

3. All Creatures of our God and King

We Hear God's Word

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 102:25-27

MESSAGE "God is.... Pastor John Mitchem

We Go Forth to Serve God

THE BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

UMH#504 "Old Rugged Cross"

Feel 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

You can catch our live stream broadcast on your smartphone, iPad, Smart TV or computer at on any one of four different app channels or online websites:

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Please note that all of our services can be viewed even after the service is over. For questions, please contact the church office.

Fireside Book Club

"The Hiding Place" by Corrie Ten Boom January 27, 2026 7:00 pm in the Fireside Room

This Week

| SUN | Nov 23 |
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| 6:30 am | Worship Re-Broadcast on TV |
| 9:00 am | Worship @ Adrian |
| 9:00 am | Sunday School |
| 9:00 am | Adult Sunday School |
| 9:45 am | Coffee Fellowship – FH |
| 10:30 am | Worship @ First |
| 11:30 am | Decorate church |
| 1:00 pm | Cristo En Tu Ayuda |
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| MON | Nov 24 |

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| 3:00 pm 6:30 pm | Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3 Zoom Bible Study |
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| IUES | NOV25 |
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| 9:30 am | Ladies' Coffee @ Hy-Vee |
| 2:00 pm | Grief Share @First Lutheran |
| 3:00 pm | Worship Re-Broadcast on TV3 |
| 7:00 pm | Chamber Singers practice |
| 7:00 pm | Adrian Thanksgiving Service |

| WED | Nov 26 |
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| 8:00 am | Men's Breakfast @Blue Line |
| 6:00 pm | Community Thanksgiving Service |
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| THURS | Nov 27 |
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| | Office Closed |

| FRI | Nov 28 |
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| | Office Closed |

| SUN | November 30 |
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| 6:30 am | Worship Re-Broadcast on TV |
| 9:00 am | Worship @ Adrian |
| 9:00 am | Sunday School |
| 9:00 am | NO Adult Sunday School |
| 9:45 am | Coffee Fellowship- FH |
| 10:30 am | Worship @ First |
| 1:00 pm | Cristo En Tu Ayuda |





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

Christmas Poinsettias

Don't forget to order your Red Poinsettia for a Christmas decoration of the sanctuary this year in memory of a loved one or for a special occasion. The cost per poinsettia will be \$11 and will be delivered to the church. Please share them with the church until after the Christmas Eve service.

The deadline for the order is December 8th. Order forms will be in the narthex or order on church website.