Welcome to Worship April 14, 2024



Joyful, Joyful, We Adore thee

Call to Worship

*Congregational Hymn #139 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Welcome and Announcements for the Community

Scripture Reading – John 4:46-50

⁴⁶So He came again to Cana in Galilee, where He had made the water wine. And at Caper'na-um there was an official whose son was ill. ⁴⁷ When he heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went and begged Him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. ⁴⁸ Jesus therefore said to him, "Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe." ⁴⁹ The official said to Him, "Sir, come down before my child dies." ⁵⁰ Jesus said to him, "Go; your son will live." The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and went his way.

LOBE DEN HERREN

L. von Beethoven

*Congregational Hymn #467 Trust and Obey

A Time of Prayer

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

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

Ministry of Music There is a Redeemer

Scripture Reading – John 4:51-54

⁵¹ As he was going down, his servants met him and told him that his son was living. ⁵² So he asked them the hour when he began to mend, and they said to him, "Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him." ⁵³ The father knew that was the hour when Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live"; and he himself believed, and all his household. ⁵⁴ This was now the second sign that Jesus did when he had come from Judea to Galilee.

| Choral Anthem Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring | Johann Sebastian Bach |
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| Sermon Close Encounters of the Jesus Kind: In our Desperation | |
| *Congregational Hymn #714 I Know Whom I Have Believed | EL NATHAN |
| *Closing Prayer | |
| Choral Benediction Sevenfold Amen | John Stainer |
| Postlude Toccata for Organ | John Weaver |

Melody Green

Offering: You are invited to place your offering in one of the plates on the tables in the front of the Sanctuary as you leave.

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Thank you to **Chris Neville** for sponsoring today's Altar Flowers in honor of his grandson, Gabriel's birthday Happy Birthday, Gabriel!

Thank you to **Russ and Sandy Meyer** for sponsoring today's Coffee Fellowship in gratitude for our church family!



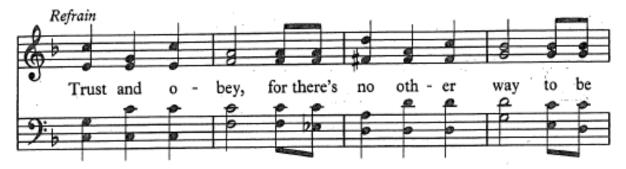
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Trust and Obey



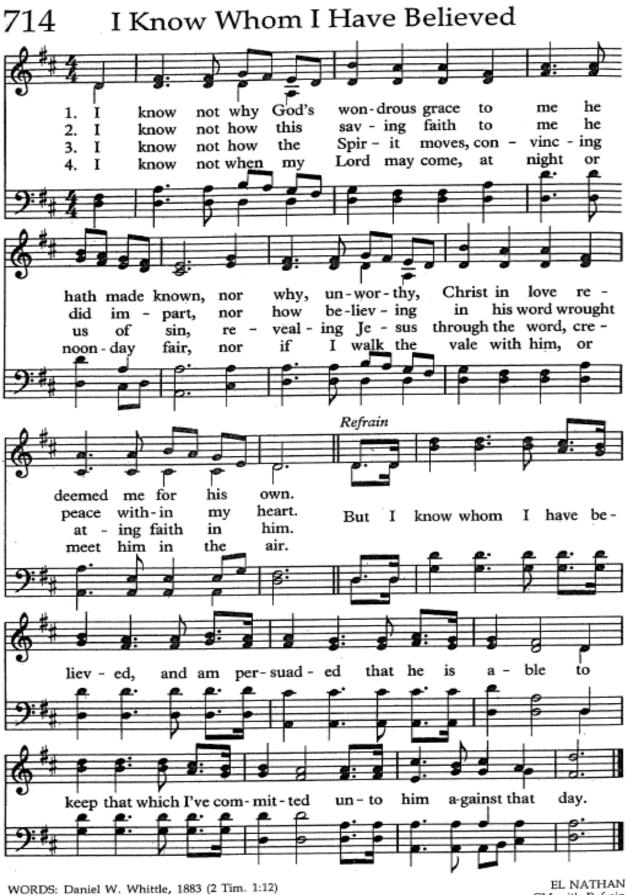
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MUSIC: James McGranahan, 1883

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APRIL LOOSE COIN: KENYA HELP

For the month of **April**, all the Loose Coin Offerings will **Thank yo** go to KenyaHELP's **outreach fund**. something

KenyaHELP is a non-profit program whose mission is to provide scholarships to academically deserving students in **Meru**, **Kenya**. Our goal is to reach **\$5,000** to cover both the **Leadership retreat** and the **Graduate Networking Day** for students.

SCAN THE QR CODE AT RIGHT FOR MORE INFORMATION



Thank you for your prayers and gifts! You're part of something big that **instills hope** in the lives of so many Kenyan students.

If you have any **questions** or want to **learn more**, ask an usher for the **KenyaHELP booklet** or contact Chris Hemstreet or Carol Dost. They'd be happy to chat with you!

DIRECTORY UPDATE

Have an updated photo for us? Send it to lgreen@fumcgb.org

OR

Join us after the 8:45 AM service on **May 12** and **May 19** to get your new professional photo taken.

We'll take care of the rest!

All of this information can also be found at the **Welcome Center** in individual cards to be taken home so you won't forget!

While you're there, take a look at the old directories to learn if you need your photo even needs to be updated.

New Community Shelter on April 23

Our monthly night of service is Tuesday, April 23. Consider providing dessert treats to help finish out the meal we serve. Please bring them to church by Tuesday, April 23 at 12:00 PM.

DATES TO KEEP IN MIND

April 14: Sunday Programming

- Sunday School for all ages, 10:00 AM
- Acts 2 in Wesley Hall, 11:00 AM
- Youth Group in the Ziemer Building, 5:00 PM

April 17: Renewal Wednesday Programming

- zPray via Zoom, 4:00 PM
- Books Between Bites, Wesley Hall, 12:00 PM
- Wiggle & Worship for kids, Room 204, 4:30 PM
- Church Supper, Fellowship Hall, 5:30 PM
- Bible Recap for Youth, Ziemer Building, 6:15 PM
- The Chosen season 4, 6:15 PM

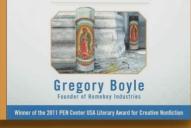
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"An astonishing book...about suffering and dignity, death and resurrection, one of my favorite books in years. It is lovely and bugh and tender beyond my ability to describe and left me in tears of both sorrow and laughter." —Ame Lamott, author of Grace (Eventually)

Tattoos on the Heart

THE POWER OF BOUNDLESS COMPASSION



BOOKS BETWEEN BITES

April 3 - May 15: "Tattoos on the Heart" by Gregory Boyle, discussion led by Lina Green

Arranged by theme and filled with sparkling humor and glowing generosity, these essays offer a stirring look at how full our lives could be if we could find the joy in loving others and in being loved unconditionally. In each chapter we benefit from Boyle's gentle, hard-earned wisdom.

These essays about universal kinship and redemption are moving examples of the power of unconditional love and the importance of fighting despair. Gorgeous and uplifting, Tattoos on the Heart reminds us that no life is less valuable than another.

Group meets most Wednesdays, at 12:00 PM. Bring your lunch! Books and reading plans are available in he office, for \$11.

Dear Friends,

Yours,

I signed a contract last week with Educational Opportunities, confirming a 10-day trip to Israel in May 2025! Our departure date will be May 19. We'll fly into Tel Aviv and spend our first night in Israel in a beautiful hotel in the coastal city of Netanya. Our first day of touring will feature sites along the Mediterranean coast as we move north toward Galilee. We'll spend three nights in Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee as we explore sites in the northern part of the country. Then we'll move south to spend our final three nights in Jerusalem as our home base for visiting places in the Holy City and surrounding areas.

During the next few weeks, we'll be sharing more details about the trip, how to register, Q&A informational meetings, and classes that will help us prepare for this exciting pilgrimage!

Saturday, May 11, 10:00 AM

a celebration for mothers and women of all ages!

Scan & Sign Up!

First Church Pilgrimage

SEASON 4 VIEWING Wednesday Nights, April 3 - May 22

Did you miss seeing the Chosen in theaters? You're in luck!

We'll show **all 8 episodes** here at First Church! Go to the "Events" tab at fumcgb.org/events to add this to your weekly calendar beginning Wednesday, April 3 at 6:15 PM.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - Boy Scout Food Drive -

Boy Scouts in the Green Bay area distribute empty bags on front doors and return to collect food donations people set out. Collected food from all locations is combined and put in larger bins that are picked up by local food pantries. Volunteers are needed on **Saturday April 27** from **11:00 AM to 1:30 PM** at The Good Will Place Pantry in the Ziemer Building to sort, receive and put away the incoming food. **Scan the QR code to sign up right away!**

The Dorothy A. Rosenberg GOOD WILL PLACE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



First Quilters and Fiber Artists April 2024 Schedule

Saturday, April 20 - 9;00 AM - 4:00 PM, Saturday, April 27 – 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM - Craft Day We meet in Room Z120 of the Ziemer Building, and newcomers are always welcome! If you have questions, please call Wanda Kruse or Debbie La Violette-Spevacek

Prayer Requests

The printed last name option is only available to individuals who are requesting a prayer for himself or herself and/or immediate family.

CONTINUE TO KEEP IN PRAYER: Family and Friends of Jim McKanna

Amanda Amber Jolie Amira Rvnish Amy Amy W Andrew & Family Anthony Audrey Crosby Barbara Raimo Becky Beth **Betty Birzer Bev Coulter** Bev Gilsoul Bob Konop Bobby C Bonny Dolan **Branch Benton** Brett Brody Brooke Bruce Guilaume Carlyn Carol Dost Carolle Jaklin Caroline **Charles Schroeder** Dan Burger & Family Dave Prosser Dawn Auterman Don Dupart Don Keppers Edgar Colt Elsie H Gary Schultz Gerri Mandich Glenda & Bob Burdick

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