



Fort Des Moines United Methodist Church is committed to the Great Commission given by Jesus in Matthew 28:19-20: **“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.”**

Fort Des Moines is a caring community of people who will care for you regardless of who you are. If you are looking for a place where Christ’s love is evident and God’s grace is offered to all, then I hope you will join us for worship and fellowship.

If you are visiting today, we hope that you feel welcome. The worship service is our gift to you. Following this service you are invited to join us for coffee, fellowship and Sunday School.

We welcome children in our worship. However, if necessary, we do have a nursery and cry room on the second floor. The cry room is located on the left at the top of the stairs and the nursery is located to the right at the top of the stairs.

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FORT DES MOINES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship 9:45 a.m.

Fellowship 11:00 a.m.

**Last Sunday after Epiphany
Transfiguration of the Lord
February 11, 2018**

His clothes became



whiter than anyone
in the world could
bleach them.

Mark 9:3

** Please stand as you are able*

Gathering Music

Introit UMH #2173 *“Shine, Jesus, Shine”*

Call to Worship

Leader: Come to the mountaintop to pray, for God will not keep silence.

People: We gather to listen for God’s word and to make our response.

Leader: Come to the light of God’s revelation, for we are in darkness apart from God’s love.

People: The light shines in our hearts, giving knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

Leader: Come, as God’s covenant people, who serve and sacrifice in faithfulness.

People: The heavens declare God’s righteousness and draw us to the excitement of worship.

**Hymn UMH #577 “God of Grace and God of Glory”*

Unison Prayer

In the glistening brightness of your presence we turn our attention to your teaching, fully attuned to what you want to say to us. May the light of the gospel so illuminate us that we receive a double portion of the prophet’s spirit and assurance that we are your beloved disciples. For Christ’s sake. Amen.

Responsive Scripture

Psalm 50:1-6

L: The Mighty One, God the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

P: Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.

L: Our God comes, and does not keep silence, before whom is a devouring fire, round about whom is a mighty storm.

P: God calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that the people may be judged:

L: “Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!”

P: The heavens declare God’s righteousness, for God alone is judge!

Time with Children of God

Call to Prayer UMH #526 *“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”*

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.

Epistle Lesson

2 Corinthians 4:3-6 (NIV)

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ.

Hymn of Illumination UMH #454 *"Open My Eyes, That I May See"*

***Gospel**

Mark 9:2-9 (NIV)

After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah. (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.)

Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!"

Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Sermon

"Coming Down From the Mountain"

Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Dass

Presenting our Tithes and Offerings

***Doxology** UMH #94

Prayer of Dedication

Bless these offerings, O God, that they may alleviate human suffering and lead us to the fullness of life Christ offers, and minister to the needs of people we will never know. May others see the glory of Christ because of our caring and sharing. Amen.

***Hymn UMH #451**

“Be Thou My Vision”

***Benediction**

***Response UMH #672 (verse 1)**

“God Be with You till We Meet Again”

Postlude

This Week's Calendar

Today, Feb. 11: 9:45 a.m. UMC Worship

11:00 a.m. Sunday School & Coffee Hour

1:00 p.m. BNTC Worship

8:00 p.m. AA in Fellowship Hall

Monday, Feb. 12: 9:30 a.m. English Language Learners Class in Youth Room

6:30 p.m. ELL Class in Youth Room

Tuesday, Feb. 13: 9:30 a.m. ELL Class in Youth Room

11:00 a.m. Bible Study in the church library

6:30 p.m. ELL Class in Youth Room

7:00 p.m. AA in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, Feb. 14: 9:30 a.m. ELL in the Youth Room

10:00 a.m. Women's Christian Fellowship meets in Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m. ELL Class in Youth Room

7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service

Thursday, Feb. 15: 9:30 a.m. ELL in the Youth Room

7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous in Fellowship Hall

Friday, Feb. 16: 9:30 a.m. ELL in the Youth Room

5:00 p.m. BNTC in the Youth Room

8:00 p.m. AA in Fellowship Hall

Saturday, Feb. 17: 9:30 a.m. ELL Citizenship Class in Conference Room

11:00 a.m. BNTC in Youth Room

7:30 p.m. NA in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, Feb. 18: 9:45 a.m. UMC Worship (Food Pantry Sunday)

11:00 a.m. Sunday School & Coffee Hour

11:00 a.m. Trustees meet in the Conference Room

1:00 p.m. BNTC Worship

8:00 p.m. AA in Fellowship Hall

Attendance last week: 33

Prayer Concerns: Ft. Des Moines UMC, it's programs and leaders; the Bhutanese Nepali Truth Church, it's programs and leaders; those home bound and their care-givers; and those we especially name: Frances Ramsey, Ruby Price, and Twilla Dillard.

Our Christian Sympathies: Tessie Dass' younger brother died of a heart attack Sunday morning, February 4, in the Philippines. He was a professor in agriculture in the Philippines. Keep the Dass family in your prayers.

Thanks to Charlene & Larry Seid for providing treats for Coffee Hour today.

Opportunities to Serve

There are always many opportunities to serve at Fort Des Moines. There are a few possibilities listed below, but you are not limited to these. If you have a passion for a certain kind of service or feel God might be calling you to some specific area, please let us know. If you have a particular date that you know would work well for you to be involved in some of these, let us know that as well. Circle the ones that interest you.

Thank you.

- Read Scripture
- Acolyte (light the candles)
- Deliver Communion (to shut-ins)
- Sing in the choir
- Help with the Sunday School Program
- Work with altar flowers
- Other ideas:

Our Christian Sympathies to Lora Houck upon the death of her sister on Feb. 4. Condolences can be sent to Lora at 1120 Virginia Ave, Des Moines IA 50315.

Next Sunday, Feb. 18, is Food Pantry Sunday. Donations of cash, non-perishable food items, personal hygiene items, formula, diapers (all sizes), and brown paper grocery bags will be received. These items go to the Des Moines Area Religious Council's Food Pantry Network.

If you are interested in becoming a member of Ft. Des Moines United Methodist Church, talk to Pastor Dass.

If you or someone you know is interested in being baptized, contact Pastor Dass.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Few Biblical statements summarize the meaning of Christmas season better than John 1:14, which says, "And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth." Those words would be appropriate under every picture of the Christ-Child in the manger.

This study consists of four sessions. The first considers what it means to say that word is an essential aspect of God's nature. The second, third, and fourth consider different aspects of this word that is an essential aspect of God's being, and became incarnate in Jesus Christ: they are Truth, Grace, and Life. Come and join us on Tuesday mornings at 11:00am., as we study the Gospel of John.

Altoona Christian Church is seeking a positive individual to coordinate church activities on a part-time basis.

Responsibilities include:

- Interacting and communication with a variety of individuals in a positive way while maintaining confidentiality
- Effectively using technology to meet church needs thru presentations newsletters and social media efficiently completing general office work, answering phone calls, coordinating volunteers, and greeting visitors.

A high school diploma or equivalent is required along with a background check.

If interested, please submit a resume to altoonadocchurch@gmail.com

Your Prayer



Concerns

“In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let our requests be made known to God” - Philippians 4:6

Let your prayer requests be made known to God through our prayer groups and pastor who will pray for you or ones listed below. Your prayer concerns can be for a church member, a family member, a friend, or yourself. Please fill out below and place it in the offering plate.

Prayer for

Name:

Concern/s:

Welcome!

**We are a community of faith in worship and action,
open to all in the spirit and love of God.**

Please sign the friendship pad in the pew. Everyone is welcome to stay for refreshments and a time of visiting with your church family following the service.

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Today's Worship Participants

Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Dass - Pastor
Donna Freed - Liturgist
Laurie Jenkins - Church Musician
Jim Keller - Ushers
Rod Kent - Sound

Staff

Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Dass - Pastor
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