

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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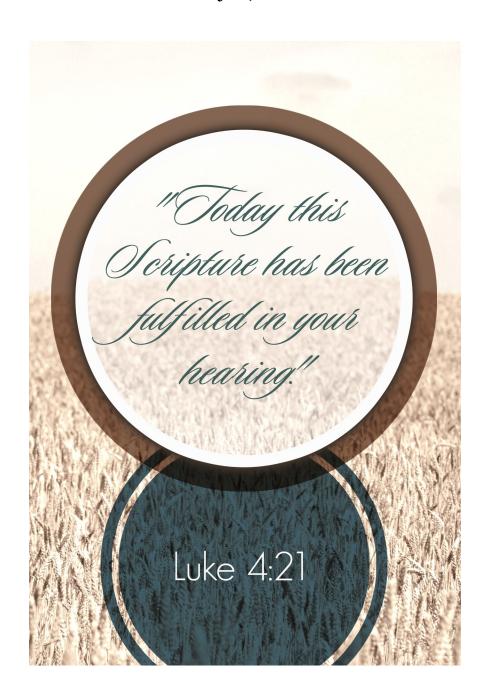
FORT DES MOINES

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship 9:45 a.m.

Fellowship 11:00 a.m.

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost July 1, 2018



WE CELEBRATE THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome and Informal Moments: Thank you for attending worship today. Please sign the attendance registration pad found in each pew, pass it on your neighbor, and welcome one another with the hospitality of God.

* Please stand as you are able

Gathering Music

Introit #2036

"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"

*Call to Worship

Leader: In this land of freedom and beauty, let us give thanks to God.

People: Let us praise the Holy One who created blue lakes and

grassy prairies, the vast desert lands, and the breathtaking

mountains of our homeland.

Leader: Let us unite in worship of the Creator who formed all lands and all

people,

People: And who declared, "It is good!"

Leader: Come, let us worship God.

*Hymn UMH #696 "America the Beautiful"

Unison Prayer

We bless you, O God, as we gather in celebration of this Independence Day, and ask your Spirit to move mightily throughout our land. We understand the cost of freedom as we see our freedom purchased in Christ's blood. As the Liberty Bell announced the birth of a nation, so let the angels proclaim our birth as children of God. In Christ who set us free we pray. Amen.

Old Testament

Deuteronomy 10:17-21 (NIV)

L: For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who shows no partiality and accepts no bribes.

P: He defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow, and loves the foreigner residing among you, giving them food and clothing.

L: And you are to love those who are foreigners, for you yourselves were foreigners in Egypt.

P: Fear the Lord your God and serve him. Hold fast to him and your oaths in his name.

L: He is the one you praise; he is your God, who performed for you those great and awesome wonders you saw with your own eyes.

Time with God's Children

*Call to Prayer UMH #437 (vs 1 &2) "This is My Song"

Pastoral Prayer

The 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.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Galatians 5: 13-16 (NIV)

Epistle Lesson

You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself.: If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other. So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.

***Hymn** UMH #697 "America"

*Gospel Luke 4: 16-21 (NIV)

He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

Sermon

"Created for Freedom"

Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Dass

Presenting our Gifts and Tithes

*Doxology UMH #94

Prayer of Dedication

Move us, O God, to participation in mission, beyond the giving our offerings to the giving of ourselves. Help us to discern your revelation and to share it. Guide us as we seek to follow Christ among those who know us best and in the company of strangers, that our very being may be our finest offering. Amen.

Call to Communion

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Great Thanksgiving p.13

Prayer of Consecration p.14

Partaking of the Elements

***Hymn** UMH #717 *"The Battle Hymn of the Republic"*

*Benediction

*Response UMH #2023 "How Majestic Is Your Name"

Postlude

This Week's Calendar

Today, July 1: 9:45 a.m. UMC Worship

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

11:00 a.m. Finance Committee

1:00 p.m. BNTC Worship

8:00 p.m. AA in Fellowship Hall

Monday, July 2: Joyann Benoit and Wyline Gardner is in the office

9:30 a.m. English Language Learners class

6:00 p.m. ELL class

Tuesday, July 3: Pastor Dass is in the office

9:30 a.m. ELL Class in Youth Room

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

6:00 p.m. ELL Class in Youth Room

7:00 p.m. AA in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, July 4: Church Office is closed

Thursday, July 5: Carol Holmes is in the office

9:30 a.m. ELL in the Youth Room

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

Friday, July 6: Carlin Peer is in the office

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, July 7: 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, July 8: 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

Attendance last week: 36

<u>Prayer Concerns</u>: Ft. Des Moines UMC, it's programs and leaders; the Bhutanese Nepali Truth Church, it's programs and leaders; those home bound and their caregivers; Jane White, Gloria Roeder and those we especially name in our hearts.

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:

Thank you Carlin Peer who brought treats for us today.

<u>Upper Room Devotionals</u> for July & August are in the devotional rack. Please take a copy home with you today.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets at 11:00 a.m. in the library. Everyone is welcome!

If you are interested in <u>becoming a member</u> 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.

The four South-side Methodist Churches will be hosting Vacation Bible School (VBS) on Friday, August 3, 7:15 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., at Bloomfield UMC. Volunteers are needed for various duties throughout the day. Volunteers are also needed to help with set-up on Thursday, August 2. You can find a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall or contact Carlin Peer (515-287-3433) for more information.

Registration forms are also on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. If you have friends, neighbors, or relatives that would be interested, take a form to them.



Fourth of July Prayer

By Fr. Ed Hays

A Pilgrims Almanac

We lift up our hearts, O God, on this day of celebration in gratitude for the gift of being Americans.

We rejoice with all those who share in the great dream of freedom and dignity for all.

With flags and feasting, with family and friends we salute those who have sacrificed that we might have the opportunity to bring to fulfillment our many God-given gifts.

As we deny all prejudice
a place in our hearts,
may we also clearly declare
our intention to work for the time
when all people,
regardless of race, religion, or sex,
will be granted equal dignity
and worth.

Come, O gracious God, who led your children Israel from slavery, keep us free from all that might hold us in bondage.

Bless our country and join our simple celebration that we may praise you, our Source of freedom, the One in whom we place our trust.

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.

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.

<u>Please sign the friendship pad in the pew</u>. 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 Connie Keller - Liturgist Laurie Jenkins - Church Musician Jim Keller - Ushers Rod Kent - Sound

Staff

Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Dass - Pastor Jane White - Administrative Assistant Laurie Jenkins - Church Musician Chris Wulf - Custodian



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