



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.

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost July 15, 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 #328

“Surely the Presence of the Lord”

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Hear, all people, the Sovereign One is God: whose commandments and promises are true.

People: **Teach us your statutes, O God, and grant understanding that we may keep them.**

Leader: You shall love God with all your heart, with all your soul, mind, and strength.

People: **We love in response to God's steadfast love and rejoice in the salvation Christ offers.**

Leader: God's love prompts us to love our neighbors as ourselves.

People: **We will write these laws on our hearts and teach them to our children.**

***Hymn UMH #577**

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

Unison Prayer

Loving God, who has given us a twofold law of love, perfect in its simplicity, imbue with your Holy Spirit; that we may be able with increasing ease to love both you and others, and thus to enter your precious kingdom. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Old Testament

Deuteronomy 6: 4-9 (NIV)

L: Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.

P: **Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.**

L: These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children.

P: **Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.**

L: Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.
P: **Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.**

Time with God's Children

***Call to Prayer** UMH #496 (vs1) *"Sweet Hour of Prayer"*

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

Epistle Lesson

Hebrews 5:11-14 (NIV)

We have much to say about this, but it is hard to make it clear to you because you no longer try to understand. In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. You need milk, not solid food! Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.

***Hymn** UMH #707 *"Hymn of Promise"*

***Gospel**

Mark 12: 28-34 (NIV)

One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?"

"The most important one," answered Jesus. "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these."

“Well said, teacher,” the man replied. You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices.”

When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” And from then on no one dared ask him any more questions.

Sermon “Living in the Kingdom of God” Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Dass

Presenting our Gifts and Tithes

***Doxology** UMH #94

Prayer of Dedication

Again and Again, O God you have restored our fortune. Even when we have little, there is enough; and when we share, the blessings multiply. May these gifts proclaim you peace. Amen.

***Hymn** UMH #514 *“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”*

***Benediction**

***Response** UMH #664 (vs 1) *“Sent Forth By God’s Blessing”*

Postlude

This Week's Calendar

Today, July 15: 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

Monday, July 16: *Joyann Benoit and Wylina Gardner is in the office*

9:30 a.m. English Language Learners class

6:00 p.m. ELL class

Tuesday, July 17: *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 18: *Tim Pherigo is in the office*

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

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

Thursday, July 19: *Jim Meier is in the office*

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

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

Friday, July 20: *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 21: 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 22: 9:45 a.m. UMC Worship

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

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

1:00 p.m. BNTC Worship

8:00 p.m. AA in Fellowship Hall

Attendance last week: 36

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; Jane White, Shirley Kenney, 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 Jasmine and David Miller for the Coffee Hour treats today!

Today is Food Pantry Sunday. A little can help a lot of people.

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

5th Sunday Potluck will be on July 29!!
Everyone is welcome.

Do you have excess garden produce? Bring it to Church to share with the Church Family!!

Reverend Pastor Dass will be gone on July 29 and August 5.. Lay Leader Pam Schisel will be doing the services those Sundays.

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.

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.

Christmas in July

Once again this year, our Christmas in July program will be collecting school supplies for a local school. This is a great way to minister to children in our community. School supplies for all ages are welcome. When you're shopping, pick up some...

- * 2 pocket folders
- * Spiral notebooks
- * Composition books
- * 12" rulers
- * Crayola crayons
- * School glue
- * Pencils
- * Facial tissue
- * Chlorox wipes
- * Erasers
- * Children's scissors
- * Backpacks
- * White board markers

...and bring them to church beginning today, July 15. This project will continue until August 19. The supplies will be delivered at the beginning of the fall term.



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

Carol Holmes - 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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