

## Welcome To Our Service

- + We welcome you to our service today. For more information on the programs offered here at First United Methodist Church please visit our website at [www.fortmethodist.org](http://www.fortmethodist.org). Our information desk can be located in the main entrance.
- + For more information on any of our activities please visit the "Events" tab on the church website.
- + If you have trouble hearing the worship service or reading the bulletin we have hearing devices and large print bulletins available. Please ask an usher.
- + If you would like us to contact you please make sure to fill in your contact information on the Communication Card which is in the worship folder.
- + Childcare is provided from 8:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. in the nursery located in the north hallway. Please ask an usher for assistance if you need directions.
- + There is coffee available in the room behind the Sanctuary from 10:00 - 10:30. Please join us. We would love to meet you.

## 9:00 am Worship Today

- + Preaching: Paul Johnsen
- + Liturgist: Cathy Daly
- + Head usher: Troy Grady
- + Greeters: Lori Johnson, Deb Frederick, Mary Ellen Findlay
- + Ushers: Gary Werth, Linda Grady, Melanie Herbert, Bob Schwab
- + Coffee Host: Cassandra Jacobs
- + Nursery attendant: Wava Austin, Youth Assistant

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Pastor: Paul Johnsen  
Pastor Hispanic Ministry: Modesto Soto  
Youth Ministry: Kellen Roggenbuck & Jillian Wielgat  
Children's Ministry: Kate Vance  
Organist/Choir Director: Brenda Nitardy  
Bell Choir Director: Karen Tordera  
Children's Guitar Director: Jeanne Raub  
Office Manager: Elieen Slak  
Custodian: Kris Orcutt



LIVE *and* LOVE

like JESUS

EVERYDAY. EVERYWHERE. EVERYONE.

9:00 am Worship  
September 16, 2018  
\*please stand if you are able

Prelude

**Gathering**

Welcome & Announcements

Choral Introit.....Honor and Praise.....

**\*Call to Worship**

Just as the heavens burst forth in praise to God.....  
**We celebrate God's abundant and powerful love.**  
Day by day, and night by night.....  
**God watches over us, loving and healing us.**  
Come, celebrate with joy the love of God.  
**Open our hearts and spirits, Lord, and teach us your ways.**

**\*Opening Hymn.....For the Beauty of the Earth.....#92**  
Vs 1, 2, 4 & 6

**Prayer of Confession**

**Lord, it is easy for us to say that we will follow you; and then turn our backs and act as though our commitment to you does not mean anything to us. Jesus challenges us to take up our crosses, and when we don't understand what that means, we just shrug and turn away. Forgive us for our lack of commitment and faith. Heal us of our greed and fears. Give us courage to be disciples and enable us to joyfully proclaim your healing mercies and your transformational love. In Jesus' Name, we pray...**

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance

Opening Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Children's Message

**Proclamation & Response**

Scripture Reading from Proverbs 1:20-33

Choral Anthem.....Would I Have Answered When You Called.....

Scripture Reading from James 3:1-12

The Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon.....Taming the Tongue.....

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

(Romans 8:35, 37-39)

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine, or nakedness or peril or sword?  
**No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**\*Hymn.....Where He Leads Me.....#338**

Mission Moment.....Rick & Jen Lowry

Noisy Can.....Feed My Starving Children

Offering of the Tithes

**\*Doxology.....#94**

**Sending Forth**

**\*Closing Hymn.....Take Up Thy Cross.....#415**

**\*Blessing**

Choral Benediction.....I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me.....

Postlude

10:30 am Worship  
September 16, 2018  
\*please stand if you are able

Offering

\*Closing Song.....Everlasting God.....

\*Closing Prayer

Welcome/Announcements

\*Opening Songs.....Open The Eyes Of My Heart.....  
.....How Great Is Our God.....  
.....Holy Spirit.....

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**First United Methodist Church**  
**Announcements in Brief**  
September 16, 2018

**Announcements:**



**+New Choir Members Wanted:** Choir will return to the 9am service on September 16th. Rehearsals are held after the service, beginning about 10:15 in the choir room downstairs. If you are interested in seeing what the choir is like or becoming a member, please stop down before or after any service. You are welcome to join us in singing, even if you can't make a full time commitment! Call if you have any questions. Brenda Nitardy 920-728-3143.

**+Wesley Ringers Wanted:** Wesley Ringers, FUMC's English Handbell Choir, is looking for ringers! We rehearse on Tuesday evenings from 7:30-8:30 pm. We normally play in church at the 9:00 service on the second Sunday of the month from October-May. Music reading ability is helpful! Contact the director, Karen Tordera, at [ktordera@gmail.com](mailto:ktordera@gmail.com) of the church office for more information.

**+ Food Pantry Volunteers Needed:** October is FUMC's turn to staff the Food Pantry. Volunteers are needed every Monday and Thursday from 2:45—5:30 p.m. There is a sign up sheet in the Chapel if you are able to help.

**+ Plastic Bags Needed:** The Fort Atkinson Food Pantry is in need of your plastic bags. They should be clean and free of rips and tears. Bags can be placed in the box underneath the Food Pantry sign up board.

**+ Dart Ball:** Dart Ball begins a new season on Tuesday, Sept. 25th. Two practice nights are Sept. 11 and Sept. 18 at 7:00 p.m. Stop by in fellowship hall and see what its about. Have some fun.

It's Happening Here!  
The Week of September 16, 2018

**Sunday**

Sunday School: 9:15-10:15 a.m. in Classrooms  
Choir Rehearsal: 10:15 –11:30 a.m. in Choir Room  
Contemporary Worship Service: 10:30-11:30 a.m. in Sanctuary  
Accountable Leadership Team Meeting: 12:00-1:30 p.m. in Wesley Room  
Hispanic Worship Service: 3:00-4:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

**Monday**

Women's Bible Study: 9:00-10:30 a.m. in Wesley Room  
Loving Hands Crafters: 9:30-11:30 a.m. in Gathering Room

**Tuesday**

Men's Bible Study - Working for Tyrants: 6:30-7:30 a.m. in Wesley Room  
Group Study - John An Intimate Look at the Savior: 9:00-10:30 a.m. @ 801 East Street  
Hispanic Women's Bible Study: 6:00-7:00 p.m. in Church Office  
Dartball: 6:30-9:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall  
Wesley Ringers: 7:30-8:30 p.m. in Choir Room

**Wednesday**

Group Study - The Theology of the Trinity: 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in Wesley Room  
Group Study - Discerning the Voice of God: 1:00-2:30 p.m. in Wesley Room  
Youth Group: 6:00-8:15 p.m. in Bathroom

**Thursday**

Loving Hands Crafters: 9:30-11:30 a.m. in Gathering Room  
Feed Your Soul: 5:30-6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall  
Worship Service: 6:30-7:15 p.m. in Sanctuary

**Friday**

Hispanic Ministry Band: 6:00-8:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

**Saturday**

Hispanic Ministry Children's Band Rehearsal: 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in Choir

Lord, We Lift Our PRAYERS To You!

For our members & friends...

God has called us to support each other in prayer and so each week we list members and friends from our fellowship so we can all pray for them.



Kim  
Lynne  
Betty

Patty  
Lennox  
David Christopher

**Prayer Concerns & Celebrations...**

Concerns & celebrations that have been shared with us:

**Prayer Concerns & Celebrations:**

Sussex UMC  
Phyllis—Recovering from Aneurysm Repair  
Safe Travels  
Teachers  
Carolyn—In the Hospital  
Ron—Sister Passed Away

Please write your prayer concerns on the back of the Communication Card that you will find in the bulletin. Place the Card in the offering plate. We will begin praying for your concern on Monday.

If you would like to be part of our e-prayer chain please make the request on the Communication Card or email [office@fortmethodist.org](mailto:office@fortmethodist.org) and you will be added to the list of emails receiving the prayer concerns.