

"Every member a missionary"

First United Methodist Church

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ORDER OF WORSHIP
SUNDAY, 5 OCTOBER 2008

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
10:30 AM

We are glad to have you with us this morning. We are a welcoming church and would encourage you to join us in our worship as a people who love the Lord. Please ask an usher about the hearing devices and large print bulletins made available for your convenience. Nursery care is also available for children under the age of 2.

WELCOME WITH NEWS OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE   : "From The Depths of My Heart"

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

LITURGIST: This is a day of new beginnings, time to remember and move on,

PEOPLE: **Time to believe what love is bringing, laying to rest the pain that's gone.**

LITURGIST: For by the life and death of Jesus, love's mighty Spirit, now as then,

PEOPLE: **Can make for us a world of difference as faith and hope are born again.**

LITURGIST: Then let us, with the Spirit's daring, step from the past and leave behind

PEOPLE: **Our disappointment, guilt and grieving, seeking new paths, and sure to find.**

LITURGIST: Christ is alive, and goes before us to show and share what love can do.

PEOPLE: **This is a day of new beginnings; our God is making all things new.**

*HYMN NO. 383 *"This Is A Day of New Beginnings"*

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

PASTOR: Let us join together in this prayer:

ALL: **Okay, God we like to be right. We like clear cut answers. The Ten Commandments are pretty clear, yet even those challenge us each and every day. Your law of love is clear more often than not, yet living love on a daily basis is tough work. Forgive us for the times when we know precisely what we should do, and when we do the complete opposite. Forgive us when we knowingly wander, and guide us back when we are simply lost. Help us always press on toward your path of love and grace, creating and molding our small bricks in the building that is your kingdom here on earth.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND PARDON

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Creator Rhythm"

CHANCEL CHOIR

JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING
PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN NO. 473

"Lead Me Lord"

OFFERTORY

ARIA FROM THE "Tenth Concerto"

G. F. HANDEL

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

PHILIPPIANS 3: 4b-14

LITURGIST: This is the word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"What Does It Mean To Press On?"

REV. DAVID BURGESON

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (PLEASE SEE INSERT)

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.

HOLY COMMUNION - BREAKING THE BREAD AND GIVING THE CUP

All who love Christ are welcome to share in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Approach the front using the center aisle assisted by the ushers to receive the Eucharist elements while standing before the cross and return to your pew by the side aisles. Prayer partners are available should you wish to kneel in prayer at the altar. Everyone can join us in singing the following hymns: 174, 389, 334, 186, and 620.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Eternal God, we give thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN NO. 368

"My Hope Is Built"

*BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

CHANCEL CHOIR

POSTLUDE

"The Majesty of God"

M. DEXTER



Bring a friend!

Join us on Wednesdays at 7 PM in our youth lounge (215) with Mike & Linda Herber.

STUDY GROUP

Men's Bible Study

All men are invited to meet with us Mondays at 7 PM in room 215.

Morning Bible Study

Join us on Fridays at 8:30 AM in the Library.

Women's Bible Study

All ladies are invited to meet at 9:30 AM in room 215 Sunday mornings.



Intercessory Prayer

Thursday mornings at 10 AM in the library. All are welcome!

Women of Prayer

Join us Mondays in the Sanctuary at 7 PM.

Debtor's Anonymous

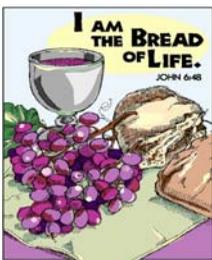
Mondays at 6 PM- MMR

Al-Anon & Ala-Teen

Mondays at 7:30 PM in the MMR and 211.

Alzheimer's Care-Giver

1st Wednesday of each month at 1 PM (MMR).



- (CH) Criswell Hall
- (S) Sanctuary
- (N) Narthex
- (L) Library
- (K) Kitchen
- (PS) Pastor's Study
- (MMR) McMillen Room

The Bulletin Board

UNDERLINED DENOTES CHILDCARE PROVIDED

SUNDAY – 10/5

- 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship
- 10:30 AM Traditional Worship
- “Coffee Hour” ~ **Yellow Umbrella**
- 11:45 AM Green Umbrella (MMR)
- 3:00 PM Cross-Over Band Rehearsal (CH)

MONDAY – 10/6

- 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study (215)
- Women of Prayer (S)
- Staff-Parish Relations (PS)

TUESDAY – 10/7

- 8:30 AM Senior Exercise (CH)
- 9:00 AM Sew 'n' Sews (MMR)
- 2:00 PM Adventures of Dr. Chess (211)
- 5:00 PM Grande Ringers (115)
- 6:30 PM AG Community Chorus (S)
- 7:00 PM Trustees (PS)

WEDNESDAY – 10/8

- 11:00 AM Blue Umbrella (PS)
- 1:00 PM Car-Giver Support (MMR)
- 3:30 PM Cub Scouts (211)
- 7:00 PM UM Youth (215)
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal (S)

THURSDAY – 10/9

- 8:30 AM Senior Exercise (CH)
- 9:30 AM Communications (PS)
- 10:00 AM Intercessory Prayer (L)
- 12:00 PM Finance @ Girl's Restaurant
- Esther Circle MMR)
- 5:00 PM Grande Ringers (115)
- 7:00 PM Red Umbrella (MMR)

FRIDAY – 10/10

- 8:30 AM Bible Study (L)

SATURDAY – 10/11

- 12:00 PM RUMP (MMR)
- 2:00 PM Adventures of Dr. Chess (211)

SUNDAY – 10/12

- 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship
- 10:30 AM Traditional Worship
- “Coffee Hour” ~ **Mary-Martha Circle**



Altar Flowers this morning are from Judie Smith and family to honor the 10 year anniversary since the adoption of Galina from Russia.

“We love you Galina; you are a blessing!”

Narthex Flowers this morning are from Richard and Peggy Gainer in loving memory of their beloved son, Richard, at rest with Jesus.

“You are missed son.”

*Contributions to the flower fund are always welcome!
For more information please contact the church office!*



Coffee Hour – Join us in Criswell Hall for coffee hosted by the members of the **Yellow Umbrella**. Thanks to the members of the **Endowment Board** for last weeks goodies. Next weeks treats will be furnished by the ladies of **Mary-Martha Circle**.



125th Anniversary Committee Meeting – **October 12th** in the McMillen Room after 2nd service. If you are able to attend, we would love to have you. Any and all input is welcomed. If you cannot attend, please feel free to add your comments or ideas to the yellow cards in the narthex and place it in the “piggy basket.” Contact Pat or Larry Wiemers for more information.



Gentle Reminder Sadly, summer is over as are our *Summer Office Hours*. The office is back on regular office time:

Monday thru Friday from 9 AM – 1 PM.

This schedule is continued until further notice.



All Church Harvest Potluck Picnic is Sunday, October 26.

NOTE: *The green Cast-A-Net Calendar has this date marked as October 24 at 6 PM. This is incorrect!* Join us following the second service for food, fellowship and fun. Come dressed in your “best” harvest/western themed duds and bring a potluck dish to share. The children will enjoy a bounce house and some games (adults can participate too), as this event will be in lieu of our Annual Harvest Party. Please bring a dessert item to include in a best dessert contest or just to share with others.



A Benevolence Offering is taken during Holy Communion for our Benevolence Fund. Plates are provided at the altar for you to contribute. This fund is set up to assist those in need who come to the church office seeking help. Thank you for your



Visit the Church Library each Sunday we are open between services to any and all who would like to visit and see our reading selections. We have everything from fiction to non-fiction, bible studies, videos, children’s books and tapes. Visit us today!



...all who participated with the Youth Group in the AG Harvest Festival last week. We thank the many who donated water to hand out and those of you who donated your time and willingness to join our youth in outreach to the community. We are truly a blessed church with a supportive family like you!



Blue Umbrella Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 8th at 11 AM** in the Pastor’s Study. Please join us if you are able to give of your time to the personal needs of the members of our church. For more information see this month’s issue of the Cast-A-Net if you do not receive this newsletter, please contact the church office and we would be happy to put you on our monthly mailing list for this publication.

Attention to the United Methodist Women – The ladies of the UMW will hold their steering committee on Monday, October 6th in the McMillen Room at 10 AM. For more information, contact the church office or Co-chairs, Carleen Minkler and/or Vel Lowry.

STAFF & WORSHIP LEADERS

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REVEREND DAVID BURGESON

MINISTER OF VISITATION: Rev. J. Harold Headrick

CHANCEL CHOIR DIRECTOR: Julie Walters

'GRANDE RINGERS' - BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR: Leonard Lutz

YOUTH MINISTRY DIRECTOR: Mike & Linda Herber

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY DIRECTORS: Nancy Baughman

CHILDREN'S CENTER DIRECTOR: Maddy Quaglino

PRAISE TEAM DIRECTOR: Susan Coho

PRAISE TEAM PIANIST: Sean Lehman

LAY LEADER: Marj Cawelti

SECRETARY: Sarah Barber

BOOKKEEPER: Victoria Gandy

CHORAL PIANIST: *PIANIST NEEDED*

ORGANIST: Don McGuire

PUPPET DIRECTORS: Willy Ford-Raetz
& Mike Herber

MULTI-MEDIA DIRECTOR: Sean Lehman

LECTOR CHAIRS: Rebeca Avila
& Toni Harvey

LITURGIST: Virginia Mothes

ACOLYTE MOMS: Nikki Raetz
& Lorie Ford

BIBLE BEARER: Our Church Youth

OUR ACOLYTE(S): Our Church Youth

HOSTS & GREETER CHAIR:

VOLUNTEER NEEDED TO BE THE NEW CHAIR OF HOST AND GREETERS

HOSTS & GREETERS: *our church family*

IN SERVICE: ALL OF OUR MEMBERS

COVENANT MISSIONARY: Judy Atwood in Kansas

CHECK OUT OUR *GREAT NEW* WEBSITE — WORSHIPWEEKLY.COM



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- Prayers for Peggy Gainer who had eye surgery and is doing well.
- Willy Ford asks prayers for a friend who is on life support as a result of a car accident.
- Matt Rohla asks prayer for Burt King and his family whose sister has terminal cancer.
- Pat Weimers asks prayers for her friend Carol who has cancer and is having difficulty with treatment. Also, pray for Pat's sister Linda who is having difficulty walking due to side effects from chemo.
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- Mary Lou Fink is still in AG Hospital. Prayers for comfort.
- Guy Oates had successful knee surgery at French Hospital. Prayers for comfort.
- Betty Ann Quintana had an MRI on Friday. Prayers for favorable results.
- Patti Melsheimer asks prayer for Robert Howard who has been laid off and is job seeking.
- Richard Gainer's cousin, Betty Lee Fleishman, asks prayer for her 8 month old great-grandson who has brain tumors. Prayers for healing.
- The Gainers also ask prayer for their grand daughter LeAnna, who is on a liver transplant list and will have surgery to repair a kidney. Prayers for peace, comfort and healing.
- Sarah Barber asks prayer for her step-brother and sister, Jenna and Brandon, and their family after the passing of their father, Larry. He is survived also by his wife and their 4 year old son Tyler. Prayers for the family.

Lift up our missionaries in prayer: Fred and Pat Haggard in Kentucky

Remember in prayer our missionaries who are serving God around the world; the leaders of our country; leaders and the people of North Korea, Africa and in the Middle East. Continue to lift up those in the military and their families both here and abroad.

Hold in continued prayer: Our church youth, The Ogden and Gandy families, the Caweltis, Nancy Chambers, the Cochran family, LeAnna Gainer, Ray Collins, Janet Dimeling, Terry Curtis, Cheryl McKibben, Esther Miller, Linda Archibald, Rose Marie Bailey, Melinda Marchiano, Pastor Rhodenbacker, Mary Read, the Graham family, Matt Rohla, Mary Lou Fink, Alice Witt, Morrie Gregory, Donna Cowles, the Hammonds, Bea Frantz and Jerry Smith.

Remember our church family who are unable to attend church services- Members in

Care Facilities: Bathon Dessert, Luella Hendricks, Lois Fry, Bob Atwood and Ray Collins.

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