

2023 Flower Calendar
is available on the
church office door.



Thank you for caring for others!

FIRST UNITED METHODIST
Food Pantry



February is
BAKING ITEMS Month

Flour, sugar, oil, mixes, frosting

Please bring in your donations.
Baskets are
located at either entrance.

Where: 113 W Central Ave.

What: Parent's Night Out

When: February 18, 2023 Preschool - 5th Grade
6:00pm-8:30pm

*must be potty trained *must pre-register

Registration forms can be found on
bulletin board by Cristi's Office.

Deadline to be turned in is February 12th.

We will provide snacks, games, crafts, and a movie.

*PLEASE EAT DINNER BEFORE ARRIVAL!



Costume Steward Needed

Looking for anyone who would be willing to
look through our costumes and wash, dry, iron,
and mend those in need.



No rush to get this
done immediately.
Can take your time!

Contact Cristi Laukhuf
if available to help.



February 8 Feast meal will be
Chicken and Biscuits, Mixed
Vegetables, Macaroni Salad, hot
dog/bun, chips, salad, drinks and
a variety of desserts.



Teddy Bear Sunday

February 19, 2023

Bears should be no more than
12" tall with no child
endangerment attachments.

Thank you ~

Women's Ministry team

YOUTH

Souper Bowl
Soup Fundraiser



BEFORE & AFTER
THE SERVICES
February 12th

Donation
only

Chicken Noodle Broccoli Cheddar
Potato

FIRST united methodist CHURCH

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The Shepherd King

February 5, 2023 8:15 am

The Shepherd knows his Sheep

Pastor Chris Farmer

Our Vision Statement:

Enlarging the circle of disciples through Jesus

Thanks for joining us today! If you have any questions while you are here this morning, you can find an answer at the Welcome table, which is inside the doors off Jefferson Street. Whatever your circumstances, and no matter where you've been, you matter to God, and you matter to us. We are glad you are here! If you are a first time guest with us this morning, **Welcome!** Please stop by the welcome table and pick up a welcome packet.

8:15 am ORDER of WORSHIP

Sunday, February 5, 2023

The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice.

The Gathering

Welcome

Marty Burchfield

*Praise & Worship time

Jeremy Laukhuf & Praise Team

Life of the Church

Old Testament Lesson:

Psalm 23

*Praise & Worship Time

Offering

Offering Music - *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*
Prayer of Dedication

*Scripture:

John 10:1-6

Pastor Chris Farmer

Sermon:

Series: The Shepherd King
The Shepherd Knows His Sheep

Song

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation
The Great Thanksgiving
The Lord's Prayer
Distribution of the Bread and Juice

*Song of Thanksgiving

*Benediction

KID'S MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT 8:15

Nursery Ministry (infant to age 2) is located near the Jefferson Street entrance. You may drop your child off at any time during the service. There are also rocking chairs located at the back of the sanctuary for your use.

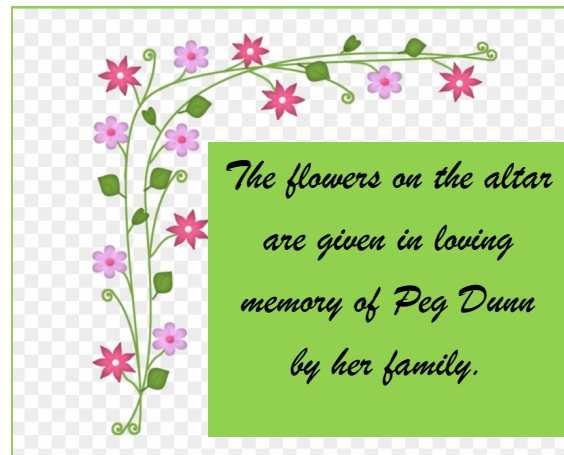
8:15 AWE - AWE is an exciting time of helping kids experience God through weekly Bible points, fun activities, and engaging worship. This class includes preparing a worship presentation during service.

We invite you to pray for our discernment team as they lead and develop a strategy for First UM to determine her denomination affiliation. Please pray for this team and for wisdom as we navigate through this season of our life together.

Discernment Committee Chairperson: Julie Burenga, *Outreach Representative;* Marty Burchfield, *Administrative Board Chair;* Dillon Staas, *Lay Leader / Lay Delegate;* Judy Loughrie, *Administrative Board Secretary;* Martha Balyeat, *Finance Representative;* Roger Okuley, *Board of Trustee Representative;* Deb Nedderman, *SPRC Representative*

At-Large Representatives: Noah Carter, Ruth Ann Dowler, Mary Ann Falk, Demond Johnson, Judy Krites; *Staff Representatives:* Jana Thompson, Delda McHugh;

Appointed Pastor / Staff: Chris Farmer



Offering Envelopes

1. Pick up a packet of February envelopes in the office.
2. Put your name and if you know your envelope number. Also the current date.
3. Please tell us where you want your donation allocated: i.e. church budget, building fund, etc.
4. Use the envelope as normal.