

FIRST United methodist CHURCH

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March 12, 2023 10:45 am

God's Filling Love

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.

The flowers on the altar today
are given by

Terry & Verona Eikenbary

*In honor of their 55th Wedding
Anniversary and their Grandson's
25th Birthday*



The rose on the altar
is in honor of

Theodore Burchfield

*born February 22, 2023
to parents*

*Will Burchfield & Allison Hight and
Proud Grandparents
Marty & Susan Burchfield*



March 15th

(last one this season)

Ham Loaf

**Cheesy Potatoes, Peas &
Carrots, Hot Dog/Bun, Rolls,
Chips, Salad, Drinks & a
Variety of Pies**



**March 12, 2023
@12:15pm**

Contact Pastor Chris for more information

*Do you want to take
the next step in our life
together? Come to
Pizza with the Pastor.*

GOAL!!!	Festival of Sharing	
	2023 GOAL	AS OF 3/12/2023
Almost There!	School Kits	30 0
	Hygiene Kits	50 0
	Period Packs	20 0
Just getting started	Buckets	40 0

VBS **March 2023**
Special Offering

Vacation Bible School



Thursday
March 30th 6pm
Dr. Scheidt Room
*Everyone welcome
who wants to help!*

FIRST CHURCH

OFFICE *hours*

MONDAY – THURSDAY 8:30-1:30
FRIDAY 8:30-12:00

10:45 am ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, March 12, 2023

PREPARE YOUR HEART FOR WORSHIP

“And hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us...But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” Romans 5:5, 8

Gathering in God’s Name

**indicates please stand if you are able*

Welcome Jana Thompson

Prelude *Amazing Grace* by Glenda Austin
Scott Turner

Lighting of the Altar Candles

*Call to Worship:

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

People: We come before him with thanksgiving and extol Him with music and song. For the Lord is the great God, the great king above all gods.

Leader: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our maker; for He is our God and we are the people of His pasture, the flock under his care.

People: Today, may we hear his voice saying: ‘Do not harden your hearts as you did with a bitter uprising, or like your ancestors tested me in the wilderness.’ We remember how they watched God work for their good for forty years. Yet, they tried his patience time and time again. We come to seek and worship our God so that we may enjoy His rest. (Based on Psalm 95)

***Hymn:** *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* #158

Chat with the Children Ruth Ann Dowler
Children dismissed to AWE

A Witness from a Gideon Ray Etzler

Giving of Tithes & Offerings Jana Thompson

Offertory: *I Worship You, Almighty God* by Don Moen/arr. S. Turner

*Doxology: *Majesty, Worship His Majesty* #176

*Prayer of Gratitude

Choral Anthem: *Fill-a-Me Up* by P. Choplin Chancel Choir
Rhythm Band: Dane Newlove, Robert Sloan, Scott Turner, Annette Hoverman

Worship with the Word

***Scripture Lesson:** Romans 5:1-11 Pastor Chris Farmer

Series Empty and Filled
Sermon *God’s Filling Love*

Hymn: *It is Well with My Soul* #377

Prayer
The Lord’s Prayer

Next Steps of Faith Pastor Chris Farmer

Announcements

Sending Into the World

***Closing Hymn:** *Shalom to You* #666

***Spoken Blessing** Pastor Chris Farmer

Postlude: *Etude, Op. 25 no. 12* by Fred Chopin Scott Turner
You are invited to be seated and enjoy the Postlude or leave quietly in peace

Leaders in Today’s Worship

Lead Pastor: Chris Farmer **Pianist:** Scott Turner
Choir Director: Paul Hoverman **Projectionist:** Cayden Laukhuf
Liturgist: Jana Thompson **Acolyte:** Elora Hogan
Sound Technician: Kyle Wendel **Videographer:** Dave Thompson
Screen Creatives: Cheri Oechsle and Sherri Arn
Usher/Greeter Coordinator: Neil Shaffer

KID’S MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT 10:45

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.

10:45 AWE - AWE is an exciting interactive pursuit of personally knowing God through His Word and embedding all the found treasures into our hearts, minds, and daily lives. This class includes scripture memorization and presentation during service.