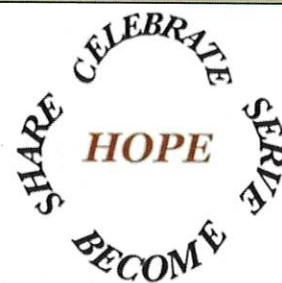


*As Christ's Light of Hope,
together we Become, Serve,
Celebrate and Share*

Tidings



Traditional Worship 9:00 am or Live Stream with link on Facebook

Vacation Bible School: Vacation Bible School 2024 will be at the First United Methodist Church on June 10-14 from 5:15-7:15 pm. Please contact Sue Dichraff if interested at 759-4884. Mark your calendars and please visit the link below to register!

<https://burlingtondoc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2150591>

Calling all Superheroes! We are still in need of adult and youth helpers for Vacation Bible School. Needing help with the following areas:

Crafts-1 adult leader-1 youth helper
Games-1 adult leader

Youth helpers for PreK-K, 1st grade, 4th-5th grade
Sue will have all materials you need for crafts and games ready to go. Youth will get silver cord hours
Please prayerfully consider helping- you will be blessed and so will the kids!

Graduation Sunday and Endowment Scholarship Recipients

This year, our celebration of graduates and scholarship awards will be during our regular Sunday worship at 9:00 A.M. on May 26. Please submit any pictures to be included in the slides for that morning if you have any upcoming graduates in your family! For scholarship recipients, please watch your mail for an acceptance letter. We would also love to have you in church that morning to hand over your award certificate and to have you tell your faith family about your plans for the future!

Youth Education in May>>>>

JUMP (Jesus, You, & Me Praying): meets every Sunday after the Children's Message for Bible lessons and crafts in the Church Lower Level!

PB&J (Prayers, Blessings, & Jesus): is on break until the fall.

Youth Group: is an ecumenical group that meets once a month. Stay tuned for more info!

Young Adults: meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month. Young Adults Bible Study with Pastor Dan from 5:30-6:50pm in the church. Enjoy a Bible study on "The Lords Prayer" book by Adam Hamilton. Learn about the prayer Jesus taught us to pray!

Youth Library Books: Please check out the library books for youth (*toddler-preteens*) displayed in the back of the sanctuary. You can borrow for just the service or take home!

IAUMC Summer Camps: Calling All Campers! If you enjoy campfires, swimming, sports games, camp songs, Bible class and much, much more, please sign up for an Iowa United Methodist camp at Wesley Woods or Lake Okoboji. FUMC will pay for the camp of your choice for church members! Sign up and experience the joy of summer camp and learn about God's love. Any questions please contact Sue Dichraff at 319-759-4884 or register at www.iaumc.org/camps

**Celebrations >>>
Birthdays**

Chuck Siekman	05/01
Margaret Wozniak	05/01
Andrea Hartman	05/02
Bonnie Kendell	05/04
Chase Williams	05/04
Marc Pilger	05/07
Rachel Cassabon	05/10
De'Andre Davis	05/10
Benjamin Cone	05/11
Kahri Plein	05/11
Allysa Starbuck	05/11
Sandie Bickel	05/13
Curtis Flatt	05/14
Ava Fritz	05/16
Cindy Brown	05/17
Jamie Smith	05/17
Ross Cone	05/20
Patty Neal	05/20
John Jaeger	05/22
Oliver Westfall	05/22
Barb Evans	05/23
Dee Alberts	05/24
Joyce Corder	05/28
John Schulz	05/29
Evan Heubner	05/30
Tom Stoller	05/31

Mission Corner >>>
(or how First UMC is helping in our corner of God's World)

First United Methodist Church has a covenant with Women at the Well, the prison ministry of the United Methodist Church at the Iowa Correctional Institution for Women. This church within the prison does not have a congregation who is able to support its ministries to the inmates so we are one of many Iowa congregations who support this ministry. This past month Mission Committee sent our annual contribution of \$1,000.00 to support Women at the Well.

Quiet Ministry is the name of the offering First UMC gives to several local Burlington ministries. This offering rotates monthly among the Burlington Area Homeless Shelter, the Community Action Food Pantry, the Domestic Violence Intervention Program, and our FUMC Matthew 25:40 ministry on the third Sunday each month.

No one gets up to trumpet and solicit your donation. Instead, each person should quietly and prayerfully consider the degree that they can help others. This past month Mission Committee sent the Community Action Food Pantry \$200.00 to help them distribute groceries to feed those in need.

The first Tuesday of each month seven small groups within our church take turns serving Building Bridges clients an evening meal. Building Bridges is a community ministry which our church graciously houses. It serves people needing learn valuable life and work skills to successfully become contributing community members.

Food for one hundred people, including about thirty children, is prepared and served each month. In April the Life and Laughter Adult Sunday School Class served this meal. In May the Bell Choir will be serving the meal, and in June the Brunch Bunch Sunday School Class and Mission Committee will be working together to do this.

Thank you to each of our church's groups who kindly serve our church and community! If you would like to participate in this ministry, please let the office know.

Thursday, April 25, First UMC served the desserts and beverages for the monthly end of the month meal at Grace UMC. In addition, our church washed the dishes used to feed nearly one hundred hungry people.

Thank you to each one who prepared food, helped to serve, and washed the dishes! Your service is appreciated!

Anniversaries

Scott & Cindy Spear	05/02
Jeremy & Chris Murphy	05/22
Carl & Heather Brueck	05/23
Jerry & Deb Jochims	05/27
Rich & Ann Thompson	05/28
Bryan & Lisa Hill	05/29

United Women in Faith >>>
Events/Meetings for the month of May:

Executive Board: 05/13 at 3:00 P.M. LOFT 1st

Miriam Circle: 05/20 at 7:00 P.M at Cheryl Jones home.

Quilting Group: Meets at 9:00 A.M. every Wednesday on Loft 3rd



United Women in Faith

Adult Education in May>>>

The Brunch Bunch is currently not meeting regularly.

The Life and Laughter class is continuing their study on Adam Hamilton's book Wrestling with Doubt Finding Faith. All are invited to join them in the choir room following church.

Tidings Mailings: The Finance Committee has decided to no longer bulk mail physical copies of our Tidings newsletter. This will save the church money, and everyone will still get digital copies sent to their personal emails. You can print a physical copy if you would prefer. If this arrangement is not feasible for you, please contact the LOFT Office so a physical copy can still be mailed to your address.

SOFTBALL IS COMING! Head Coach Needed: Despite how much I have loved being the coach of our church's softball team (two teams once upon a time), it is time for a variety of reasons that I step aside.

Please let me or John Phillips, who will continue as the assistant coach, or Dane Feenstra in the Loft's office know by May 15th of your interest as the team needs to be registered with the RecPlex by May 31st. And that registration needs a contact name.

And speaking of interest, we always need more players. Since the league plays from June 11th through August 13th (Tuesdays), vacations and other activities do regularly come up. Though we "only" need ten players a game, having a roster of 20, or even a few more, would be a blessing for all involved, especially the new head coach.

It's truly the more the better! Finally, I want thank everyone that's played under the Burlington First Methodist banner since 2014. All of you have given me more joy and satisfaction than I could ever say. -David Ure



UMM will continue meeting Wednesdays at 8 AM at the All-Star Diner in

Our Financial Health >>>



Financial Information as of April 28, 2024

Budgeted Income	\$ 171,343.20	Budgeted Expenses	\$ 240,506.80
Actual Income	\$ 129,613.87	Actual Expenses	\$ 111,118.31
Event Income	\$ 5,910.00		



—LOFT Market News—

The LOFT Market is an international mission and ministry of First United Methodist Church! We sell the handcrafted goods made by artisans from developing nations so that they may live a self sustaining life—feed their children, help their community, and live a life of dignity.

Your support by purchasing items in the store helps both many poor around the world and our church's mission work.

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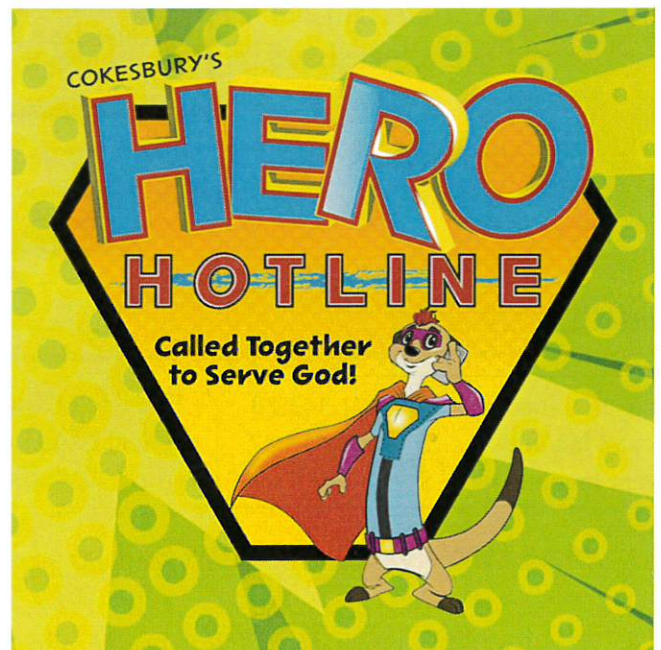
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
General Conference-Pastor Gone 7:30am - CB-Chancel 9am - CS-Worship 10:15am - C-Adult 10:30am - L2-Youth	6pm - UWFaith-Meal & 8am - LL-Tuesday Guys	8am - LL-Tuesday Guys 8am - UMM Breakfast 9am - L3-Quilters 4pm - CS-Organ Practice 4:45pm - CB-Praise 5:45pm - LM-Young 6:30pm - CS-Inspiration	First Day of Asian Pacific 8am - UMM Breakfast 9am - L3-Quilters 4pm - CS-Organ Practice 4:45pm - CB-Praise 5:45pm - LM-Young 6:30pm - CS-Inspiration	6pm - L1-SPRC		
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<p>28</p> <p>5pm - LM-Narcotics</p>	<p>29</p> <p>7:30am - Walking Club- 2pm - L1-N.A.M.I. 4:15pm - Basketball- 5:30pm - Pickleball- 6:30pm - CB-Prayer</p>	<p>30</p> <p>9am - L1-Mahjong 10:30am - Pickleball-Rich 11:30am - Pickleball- 4pm - Volleyball-Waste 5:30pm - Building Bridges</p>	<p>1</p> <p>First Day of Asian Pacific 7:30am - Walking Club- 9:45am - Hope Haven 10am - Pickleball-Becker 3pm - CB-Silver Singers</p>	<p>2</p> <p>4:15pm - Basketball- 4:30pm - Farmers Market 5:30pm - Pickleball-</p>	<p>3</p> <p>7:30am - Walking Club- 8:30am - L2-8th Judicial 10am - Pickleball-Heath</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Optimist Club 50th</p>
<p>5</p> <p>Cinco de Mayo 5pm - LM-Narcotics</p>	<p>6</p> <p>7:30am - Walking Club- 2pm - LM-National 4:15pm - Basketball- 5:30pm - Pickleball- 6:30pm - CB-National 7:30pm - Basketball-</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9am - Heritage Baptist 9am - L1-Mahjong 10:30am - Pickleball-Rich 11:30am - Pickleball- 4pm - Volleyball-Waste 5:30pm - Building Bridges 7:30pm - CS-Treble Clef</p>	<p>8</p> <p>7:30am - Walking Club- 10am - Pickleball-Becker 3pm - CB-Silver Singers</p>	<p>9</p> <p>4:15pm - Basketball- 4:30pm - Farmers Market 5:30pm - Pickleball-</p>	<p>10</p> <p>7:30am - Walking Club- 10am - Pickleball-Heath 3pm - L1-Smith</p>	<p>11</p> <p>6pm - L2-Cottion</p>
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<p>26</p> <p>1pm - L2-Wax 5pm - LM-Narcotics</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Memorial Day 7:30am - Walking Club- 4:15pm - Basketball- 5:30pm - Pickleball- 7:30pm - Basketball-</p>	<p>28</p> <p>9am - L1-Mahjong 10:30am - Pickleball-Rich 11:30am - Pickleball- 4pm - Volleyball-Waste 5:30pm - Building Bridges</p>	<p>29</p> <p>7:30am - Walking Club- 10am - Pickleball-Becker 3pm - CB-Silver Singers</p>	<p>30</p> <p>4:15pm - Basketball- 4:30pm - Farmers Market 5:30pm - Pickleball-</p>	<p>31</p> <p>7:30am - Walking Club- 10am - Pickleball-Heath</p>	<p>1</p> <p>First Day of LGBTQ+ 2pm - L2-Crowner</p>