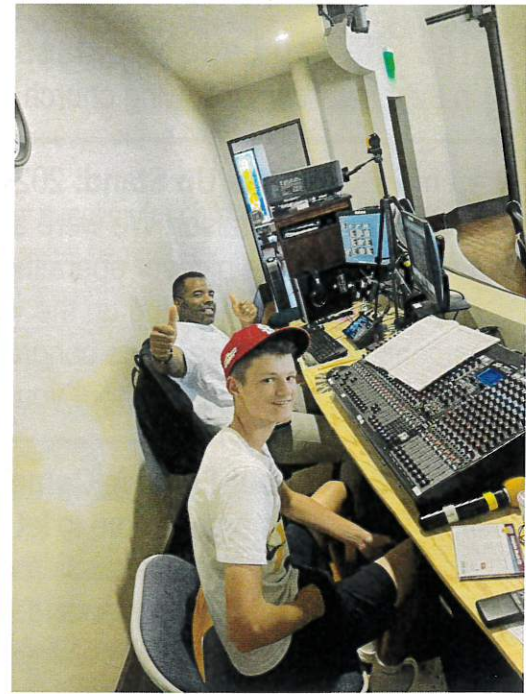




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Burlington, IA 52601



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concerns plus weekly updates:*

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*Up to date news found
in Pew News >>>*



*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: Hero Hotline Bible

School was SUPER exciting! We had 48 kids earn their capes and masks by learning to work together to serve God!! They enjoy dinner, Bible lesson, crafts and music every night last week. And on Friday we had a Family night concert and ice cream sundaes to celebrate!! 150 family and heroes were served! Special thanks to all our FUMC Superheroes who volunteered- we couldn't have done it without you: *Meals-* Fenton's and Life and Laughter class; *UMM-* homemade ice cream; *Scenery-* Dave Miller and John Phillips; *Capes-* Linda Pilger and the Quilters; *Sound-* Shawn Johnson; Bruce Dichraff-Custodian; Super Meer puppet- Kimberly Bickel; *Professor-* Anika McVey; *Youth helpers:* Carson Freitag, Ross Murphy, Maggie McKee, Lilly Sinclair, Phoebe Johnson, Aila Plein, and Adalynn Parrish *Adult Leaders:* Melanie Sullivan, Chris Murphy, Mary Dolan. Special thanks to FCC and Anika McVey and all the amazing adult and youth volunteers- what a blessing to have such a great partnership with your church! **So let's strive for the things that bring peace and the things that build each other up**
Romans 14:19

Youth Education in JULY>>>

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

Dan Egan
 Jeremy Murphy
 Ron Piper
 Grace Fenton
 Liza Heubner
 Alexander Taylor
 Julie Anderson
 Barb Cameron
 Audrey Cone
 Sam Brissey
 Bruce Dichraff
 Olivia Freitag
 Bailey & Parker Hanks
 Ryan McCreight
 Hannah O'Brien
 Lori Badberg
 Kristi Westfall
 Lee Cone
 Sarah Crabtree
 Bob Adams
 Kylie Westfall
 Kaya Plein
 Connie Schleif
 Alizabeth Malone
 Rohit Bhawle
 Roger Ferry
 Howard Toops
 Matthew John
 Brad Pilger
 Nancy Reighard
 Maryann Jordahl
 Rachael Oliverio
 Jerry Rigdon
 Duane Hartman
 Dawson Ferguson
 Barry Halden
 Rita Flatt
 Dodi Fernandez
 Christian Bracht-Wagner
 Haley Cone

Anniversaries

Darven & Lara Kendell
 Roger & Sue Stauffacher
 Richard & Janet Eggenberger
 Rob & Audrey Halden
 Mark & Jan Alter
 John & Paulette Cavanah
 Mark & Mary Taylor
 David & Tammy Yotter
 Scott & Nina Zaiser
 Bill & Sharyn Blake
 John & Barb Schulz
 Don & Gale Lofgren
 Jerry & Julie Anderson
 Blake & Julia Dichraff
 Tim & Tina Goodwin
 Frank & Ann Hills

Mission Corner >>>

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

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Help Needy Children Near and Far

First United Methodist Mission Committee is supporting two service projects for children that begin this summer!

Our annual Ingathering collection of school supplies for children in families living in developing countries will begin in July when store sales begin. Sending their children to school can be too expensive for many families. They face the unhappy choice of sending only one child to school, having their children share supplies, or not having their children go to school at all, if they are not able to provide the needed supplies.

Please watch for Mission Committee people handing out a list of school supplies attached to an empty plastic bag at the end of worship services for you to go school supply shopping. If you would prefer not to shop but want to help, a donation of \$20 per kit, earmarked for SCHOOL KIT would be helpful and appreciated. Thank you!

Toys for Tots is an event sponsored by local Marines to distribute toys to needy children. Although not as exciting to receive, Shared United Ministries distributes underwear and diapers area children at this December event at Memorial Auditorium. Last year SUM gave 894 children a package of underwear or diapers. The yearly cost of all this underwear runs between \$8,000 to \$10,000.

SUM is able to do this with the combined work of First UMC, West Hill UMC, Grace UMC, Spring Grove UMC, and Zion Church. Your help is needed to make this upcoming event a success for SUMM in 2024! Tax free weekend will be coming at the beginning of August. Please go shopping for children's underwear or give a donation to cover the cost of covering children's heinies! Watch for promotions for Undie Sundays coming up this summer!

Quiet Ministries Can Make a Big Difference

The third Sunday of the month is designated as Quiet Ministry Sunday at First UMC! The July 21st featured Quiet Ministry will be the Domestic Violence Intervention Program. Your donation helps abused women and vulnerable children in the area who seek shelter and help to escape their abusers. Burlington is fortunate to have a local shelter for those in need but such help has costs. Your intentional support, designated as DVIP, helps the helpless!

Donations of \$200.00 for May's Quiet Ministry went to the Burlington Area Homeless Shelter, and June's donations will help the Matthew 25:40 fund of First UMC.

Feed the Hungry at the SUMM End of the Month Meal

First UMC will be serving the entree for the July 25th end of the month meal for the hungry at Grace UMC. Pasta salad, coleslaw, and applesauce are on the menu. Would you kindly help prepare or serve this meal?

Please sign up at the bulletin board at the back of the church!

Think of Others As You Shop

The shopping cart at the back of the sanctuary had 68 grocery items taken to the Community Action Food Pantry in June. Please fill it up again! Hunger in our community continues.

You will also see a large laundry basket in the seat of the cart for toiletries for the Burlington Homeless Shelter. Your donation of the items listed on a sign are welcomed!

United Women in Faith >>>

Events/Meetings for the month of JULY:

Executive Board: **No meeting**

Miriam Circle: 07/15 at 7:00 P.M at **Mary Taeger home.**



United
 Women
 in Faith

Adult Education in JULY>>>

The Life and Laughter class: All are invited to join this class in the choir room following church. They meet most Sundays.



—LOFT Market News—

The LOFT Market is a ministry of First United Methodist Church!

In the southeast corner of the Loft each day, Monday through Saturday 11 am to 3 pm for the past ten years, you would find dedicated volunteers who have unique items for sale made by workers in developing countries as a means to support their families.

Your intentional purchase not only gives poor people a better life, but the Excess store sale earnings is donated to help those in need in the area.

Think of the LOFT Market when you think of giving!

Lemonade Shake Up Stand: 2024 was a big success for our Snake Alley fundraiser! We were able to raise almost \$5000, which will be used to help cover operating expenses. Thank you to the Sinclair family for heading up the volunteer team and donating the lemons, and all those in the congregation that donated sugar. We could not have done it without your help!

Report from your Finance Committee: As we reach the midway part of 2024 it is a good time to let our members know how we're doing with supporting the mission and ministry of our church. Giving this year is down from 1 year ago, and you may not be aware that we used \$80,000 from the contingency fund to keep up with expenses in 2023. Giving this year is \$115,687.84, so transfers from the contingency fund and other unrestricted funds has had to be used to stay current on our expenses. We are continuing to operate below the budget approved for 2024, but with less than expected income, we are still out of balance. Your Finance Committee members are working to identify other areas for expense savings. Please check your giving record to determine if you are up to date on your planned giving to the church, and/or if you can stretch your budget to give an addition gift to help your church do the work in this community that we do, pay our staff and maintain our beautiful facilities.

Blessings, and thank you.

Finance Committee: Mary Taeger, Cheryl Jones, Garvin Weitzel, Roger Stauffacher, Ernie Voigt and Misty Sinclair.



UMM meets Wednesdays at 8 AM at the All-Star Diner in West Burlington.

Our Financial Health >>>



Financial Information as of
JUNE 28, 2024

Budgeted Income	\$ 254,159.15	Budgeted Expenses	\$ 356,752.15
Actual Income	\$ 115,687.84	Actual Expenses	\$ 173,790.71
Event Income	\$ 7,775.00		

Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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Betty Banks
Bruce Dichraff

Childcare Providers:

Racheal Fenton
Shelby Trafton

Live Stream and Tech

Shawn Johnson

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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