



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF FARMINGTON

33112 Grand River Avenue † Farmington, MI 48336
248 474-6573 or 248 474-6595



News & Notes for the week of June 11, 2023

Monday, June 12th

10:00 a.m. Outreach Ministries

Tuesday, June 13th

10:00 a.m. Tuesday Morning Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
7:30 p.m. Carillion Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, June 15th

12:00 p.m. Weekly Devotion Livestreamed on
Facebook

Sunday, June 18th

10:00 a.m. Worship Service Happy Father's Day
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
Coffee Hour
11:30 a.m. Bible Study

Pastor Anthony's SUMMER Office Hours:

Tuesday 9am-12pm
Wednesday 5:00-8pm
Thursday 10:00-1pm & 5:00-8pm

Church Office Hours:

Monday thru Friday 10:00am to 2:30pm

Pastor Bea's Office Hours:

Tues. Wed. Thurs. 9:00am to 1:00pm

SUBMISSION DEADLINES:

If you have information to include in the weekly News & Notes, please email your information to Phyllis Anderson (phyllisa@farmingtonfumc.org) no later than 11:00 a.m. Monday mornings.

Announcements or information to be shared in the order of worship, must be submitted to Pastor Anthony no later than Monday's at 12:00pm.



4th Keith Miller, Diane Portner, 5th Cindy Immonen, 6th Karma Huston
7th Pamela Karakitsoo-Sly, 8th Carolyn Glennie 9th Kristeena Tucker
10th Brian Greene 14th Nancy Molloy, Patricia Piel
17th Debbie Clouse, Joy Large, Renie Latimer Nick Weigand
18th Jeff Scott, Tom Smith, 19th Kathy Kaczor, 20th Michelle Scott
21st Tom Benjamin, 22nd Christiana Brunke, 23rd Mildred Brunke

25th Angela Doolin, Harrison Igwe 26th Paul King, 27th Suzan Lanstra
28th Pastor Bea Fraser Soots, 29th Estelle Kalakailo, Danny Portner



12th Mark & Judy Phillips, 16th Dan & Erin Gertiser
18th Jay & Julie Cummings
22nd Peter & Gerrie Schade 23rd Doug & Denise Gress
25th Harvey & Cheryl Kahl, Jr., 30th Leon & Geri Doolin



SERMON SNIPPET:

Message: Shopping For Cheap Grace
Romans 3:21-26 & 6:1-14 NRSV
Rev. Dr. Anthony Hood

Have you ever know someone that could be considered cheap? To be clear, we are not referring to someone who is frugal, seeking the highest quality at the lowest cost. When we think of people that we would consider cheap, we think of people who are not concerned with the craftsmanship of a product, the professionalism of a contractor, the durability of an item, nor its appearance. Their only concern is getting the thing that costs them least. Yes, it'll break down, fall apart, and necessitate more purchases, to which we hear their go to phrase: "but it

only cost me..." Gabriel Bell¹ was correct when he stated: "You get what you pay for." Regrettably, there are those who apply a similar mindset to their relationship with God.

They are not seeking authentic transformation, compassionate conviction, nor divine purpose. They seek a grace that will grant them the greatest benefit, while requiring the least amount of sacrifice. They seek grace that grants them forgiveness without commitment to live in reverent devotion to God. They seek grace that allows them to receive the most benefit while changing as little as possible. They seek grace that allows for their hypocrisy while condemning others for their shortcomings. What is grace²? The unmerited, unearned favor and goodwill of God extended to us to heal, deliver, transform, convict, redeem and restore our relationship with our loving God.

In our text, we find the Apostle Paul writing words of introduction, encouragement, and instruction. Paul's letter to the Church in Rome served as his introduction to them, his encouragement of them, and as an opportunity for him to prepare his defense for his eventual debate in Jerusalem about gentile converts. Paul aptly sums up our plight in verse 23: "since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." We are all sinners saved by grace, extended to us by a loving God, that looks past our offenses to offer us redemption. There is nothing we can do to earn God's grace, it is given freely, but it does come with the conviction to live a transformed life. As United Methodist we recognize the activity of the Grace of God in three ways, prevenient, justifying, and sanctifying, which impact our practice of faith. God's grace causes us to seek transformative relationship, to live in reverent devotion, and to strive to have the perfect love of God fill our hearts completely. God's grace causes us to put aside our personal preferences and align with divine purpose, that others might come to accept the transformative love of God. God's grace moves us to seek to be instruments of God's righteousness, being a blessing to others because we are blest.

¹ <https://wise-answer.com/who-coined-the-phrase-you-get-what-you-pay-for/#:-:text=Who%20coined%20the%20phrase%20you%20get%20what%20you,of%20a%20task%20%E2%80%9CPerformed%20to%20a%20%E2%80%98T.%20%E2%80%98%E2%80%9D>

² <https://www.dictionary.com/browse/grace>²



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF FARMINGTON

10:00 a.m. FATHER'S DAY Worship Service

June 18, 2023

PRELUDE		Yaroslav Daniels
WELCOME		Pastor Anthony
HYMN	Leave It There #522	Yaroslav Daniels
OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)		Dave Kennedy
Almighty God, creator of all things, we celebrate and honor the men of faith throughout our lives. We thank you for the men who have inspired us to try new things, overcome obstacles and challenge ourselves to do our best. We thank you for the husbands, fathers, grandfathers, uncles, brothers and others that have shown us that character and integrity are invaluable. Almighty God, we give you praise and honor for providing us with men whose example has transformed and shaped us. Hear our prayer, oh Lord. Amen.		
SCRIPTURE LESSON:	John 3:16-18 NRSV	Dave Kennedy
Liturgist:	The word of God for the people of God	
People:	Thanks be to God	
MUSICAL SELECTION	This Little Light of Mine by Harry Dixon Loes	Children's Choir
CHILDRENS MOMENT		Pastor Bea
HYMN	Blessed Quietness #2142	Yaroslav Daniels
SERMON:	WITH THE END IN MIND	Rev. Dr. Gary Williams
OFFERING & PRAYER OF DEDICATION		Dave Kennedy
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For those in the sanctuary, please remember to place your offering in one of the boxes as you exit.• For those viewing and listening to worship:<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. You may mail-in or drop-off your offering to our address: 33112 Grand River, Farmington, MI 483362. You may use PayPal; directing your offering to: First United Methodist Church of Farmington3. You may text your offering, by texting: fumcgive to 44321 and follow the prompts.		
OFFERTORY MUSIC	Kum Ba Yah Arranged: Benjamin Tucker	Carillon Bell Choir
JOYS, CONCERNS, & CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER		Pastor Anthony
LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)		Pastor Anthony
Our Father, who is in heaven, Holy is your name. Your kingdom come; Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.		
HYMN	Take Time to Be Holy #395	Yaroslav Daniels
SENDING FORTH: You Are A Blessing From God. Now Go Be A Blessing!		
POSTLUDE		Yaroslav Daniels

Connie Haase, is our new Parish Visitor and she and the Caring Ministry keeps those who are shut in, hospitalized or sick and unable to attend church connected to the church through visits, cards, and phone calls. To contact the Parish Visitor please email: office@[farmingtonfumc.org](mailto:office@farmingtonfumc.org) or call the church office for further information.



CARING MINISTRY LIST OVERCOMING HEALTH & LIFE CHALLENGES:



Gladys Blocker, Maggie Clewley, Janis Creswell, Denise Durham, Pat Dygert, Bev Ellis, Cappy Goltra, Joan Haggard, Jane Hopper, Ayanna Hood, Norma Hood, John Hopeck, Karma Huston, Peter Kalakailo, Marianne Keach, Bonnie Kennedy, Paul King, Dean & Dorothy Koppin, Sue Latimer, Madeline Leeson, Dorothy Marcinkiewicz, Catherine McCarthy, William Morrison, Denise Rogers, Oliver Schultz, Sharon Scott, Bernie Shaw, Pat Shuffler, Margo Veu Casovic, Don & Eleanor Wingard, Ruth Yuill

HOSPICE: Michael's mom, Elaine Weddell

If you have prayer concerns, please contact Pastor Anthony at: pastoranthony@farmingtonfumc.org or via cell phone at: (313) 283-9919

OUTREACH FUNDRAISING PROJECTS PAY IT FORWARD!

Monthly Church-wide projects!

FLINT RECOVERY is our choice for the month of **JUNE 2023**

We appreciate your generosity,
please indicate **FLINT RECOVERY CMM3046**
on your checks and envelopes.



Thank you so very much for your

Thank you for your support and participation in the June Bake Sale -the Outreach Committee

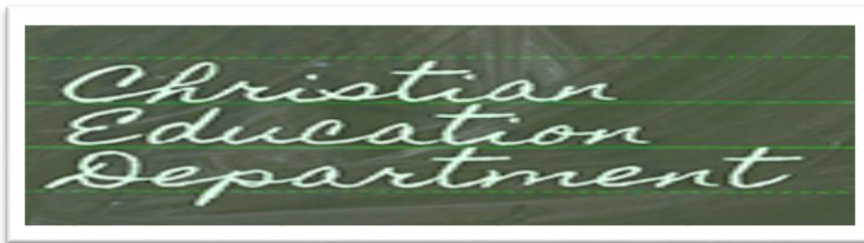
...May 15, 2023 donation of \$220.00 to the MCHS family of Services.

...May \$200.00 UMCOR Where Most needed & International Disaster Response

and Recovery



Our teller team could use your help. Looking for 3 or 4 more volunteers that are willing to help count the offering after Sunday service. It takes about 30-60 minutes to complete depending on the Sunday. We schedule 2 tellers per Sunday. Commitment would be for no more than 2 Sundays a month depending on the scheduling. There may be a month that you may not be required to count. Scheduling is flexible. We also need someone who would be will to take over the teller scheduling and oversee the teller team. I would like to pass on that responsibility. Please contact Debbie Miller if you are interested. damill243@yahoo.com or 248-444-6429.



FUMC Christian Education extends an invitation for Children in preschool – 5th grade to attend **2023 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**Monday, July 24th – Friday, July 28th
9 a.m. - 11 a.m.**

**\$15.00 per child or \$25.00 per family
REGISTER BY: MONDAY, JULY 17, 2023**

Please complete registration form on the website
**First United Methodist Church of Farmington
Christian Education**

**33112 Grand River Avenue
248-474-6573 www.farmingtonfumc.org**

**We invite you to join us for our
10 a.m. Sunday Worship Services**

THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE would like to send periodic notes and or care packages to our church's college students and military personnel. If your son or daughter is in this category, please contact Karen Brichford with their information



SUNDAY SCHOOL

We are sharing lessons about “Community forgives Zaccheus” as well as offering more opportunities for Children’s Choir to sing and prepare for sharing their music with all of us.

We are very excited about our successful in-person Sunday School.

We are inviting anyone who feels called to share God’s love through this ministry to sign-up to teach or assist in a class for one Sunday. Please contact Pastor bea at beasoots@gmail.com or 248-

320-5108. If you call, please leave a message, and Pastor bea will return your call as soon as possible.

We are not able to provide Nursery Care for our youngest participants at this time. Please know that children of all ages are welcome in worship, especially when they are making “joyful noises to the Lord”.

Our future plans include developing a “Family Center” where parents will have a comfortable space to experience our worship service via live stream in a hospitable space.



GUIDING FORCE YOUTH GROUP



The Guiding Force Youth Group is making plans to upgrade and enlarge their gathering space on the second floor. We will be organizing a “recreation” room, including a donated pool table, and creating a meeting and conversation area in the room next to their current room.

Also, we are planning a four-day commuting work project at Cass Community Social Services from June 26 through

29. We are opening this service adventure to the entire congregation. If you are interested in joining us for any of those details, please get in touch with Pastor bea at beasoots@gmail.com.

Sunday School

The Children’s Choir will be sharing their “light” during worship this week, Fathers’ Day. Please have the children arrive at 9:15 for a final rehearsal.

Sunday School will be on hiatus until September.

SUMMER STUDY

Pastor bea is hoping to offer a Summer Study, using “standalone” programs so that anyone who is interested will feel free to participate on a “drop in” basis. If you might be interested in participating in a program like this, please be in touch with Pastor bea at beasoots@gmail.com. We will be considering day and time for our gatherings, as well as suggestions for subjects or materials.

Pastor bea’s FUMC e-mail has been compromised, so please contact her at beasoots@gmail.com

RUMMAGE SALE



The next rummage sale has been scheduled for 9 am-6 pm on Friday, October 20th and 9 am-12:30 pm on Saturday, October 21st. Setup starts on Sunday, October 15th after coffee hour with pizza lunch provided. Workers can direct the proceeds to a church area of their choice: i.e. youth group, women’s group, general fund, etc. Please keep these dates in mind as we will be looking for lots of help for this event. A Sign-up Genius will be posted on the church website prior to the sale.

The next rummage drop-off day will be in September on a date to be determined. In the meantime, you are welcome to leave rummage

outside the rummage storage room under the sanctuary. Reminder: we do not take baby booster/car seats, televisions, furniture, or bed pillows. More information on items not accepted is posted on the storage room door. The rummage room is currently about 1/3 full and we are still in need of donations. We also collect paper grocery bags from Busch’s and you may leave those as well. Joy & Doug Wilson

Volunteer Opportunities



The following committees are looking for additional members: **Finance, Outreach, Trustees, Methodist Men, The Streaming Team, and Website Team.** If you are interested in any of these committees, please contact Pastor Anthony at: pastoranthony@farmingtonfumc.org.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A LITURGIST?

Liturgists are responsible for leading the opening prayer, reading the scripture lesson, leading the offering prayer, and reading the explanation of offering options. If you are interested in joining the liturgist team, please contact Jill Burress at jillb69@aol.com.

HOW TO VIEW THE LIVESTREAM WORSHIP

You can view our 10:00 a.m. Livestream of our worship service, on the church website or our Facebook page, even if you do not have a Facebook account. Here is how to connect:

1. Go to: www.farmingtonfumc.org/watch or
2. Access the church's Facebook page at: www.facebook.com/farmingtonfumc/
3. Once on the church's Facebook page, select the video marked **Live** in red.
4. You can now view the livestream of our worship service.



DID YOU MISS THE WORSHIP SERVICE?

You can view all previous worship services and sermons on our YouTube Channel, Facebook Page, or Website:

- YouTube: www.youtube.com/channel/UCpy3ppBF6thM1WGrnYDZCPw
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/farmingtonfumc
- Website: www.farmingtonfumc.org/watch-live.

YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT IS APPRECIATED

Thank you for your continued and steady financial support. The finance team has worked diligently to provide multiple methods for us to continue financially supporting the church:

- A) You can Drop-off or Mail-In a check to:
First United Methodist Church - 33112 Grand River Ave, Farmington, MI 48336.
- B) You can use the "Bill Pay" option through your online banking website.
- C) You can give using "PayPal" and choose: First United Methodist Church of Farmington.
- D) You can text to give, by texting: **fumcgive** to **44321** and follow the prompts.



GIVE TODAY



FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM @farmingtonfumc

In an effort to attract more attention towards our church, we have created an Instagram account. Here you will find content featuring updates, events, devotionals, and more! Give us a follow, tell your friends, tell your family, and enjoy scrolling!

FACEMASK/FACE COVERINGS ARE OPTIONAL

Facemask/Face Coverings are optional. You have the option to wear or not to wear a facemask/face covering while in the church. The Covid Response Team will continue to review covid numbers for Oakland County. To review the Covid number reported by the Michigan Health Departments for Oakland County, go to the following link:

<https://www.mistartmap.info/cdc-indicators?area=county%3Aoakland>.

