

Pastor Brian Steele
Sunday, January 18, 2025

Friends, the more and more I have studied the Bible, the deeper I have gone in my life with Jesus, here is what I have come to believe: Anytime any individual, group or organization uses fear, intimidation or power in the name of justice or righteousness, they are being neither just nor right. Because justice should level the playing field between us. And righteousness is about having right relationships with our neighbors. And you can't have right relationships when there is a power imbalance. Fear, intimidation and power over another are the tools of Pharoah. And we are called to reject those and instead use the tools of the midwives: Nonviolence, creativity and risky love.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF FARMINGTON
33112 Grand River Avenue
Farmington, MI 48335



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF FARMINGTON

10:00 a.m.

January 25, 2026

PRELUDE

Yaroslav Daniels

WORDS OF WELCOME

Rev. Brian Steele

HYMN

Gather Us In TFWS #2236

Yaroslav Daniels

CALL TO WORSHIP by Rev. Dr. Lisa Hancock

Paula Mullan

Leader: Children of God, when fears press in on every side, we can proclaim with confidence:

People: God is our light and salvation! Whom shall we fear?

Leader: When our problems overwhelm us and we feel pressed in on every side, we can declare with confidence:

People: God is the stronghold of our lives! Of whom shall we be afraid?

Leader: No matter the troubles we face, we seek after God and to live in the house of God forever.

People: God shelters and protects us in the day of trouble.

ALL: Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Paula Mullan

Gracious God, you are Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. You are the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. All who wear earthly crowns are just temporary. May we remember that you are a ruler who has come to bring peace, mercy and love. Your kingship is indestructible. Let us worship you and learn how we can participate even more in your Kingdom!

ANTHEM

TBA

Chancel Choir

Arr. By Douglas E. Wagner

HYMN

Take Time to Be Holy #395

Yaroslav Daniels

CHILDREN & YOUTH MOMENT

Pastor Bea Fraser-Soots

SCRIPTURE LESSON:

Daniels 7:1-14

Paula Mullan

Liturgist: The word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

SERMON

Church Pick Sunday: Old Testament

Rev. Steele

OFFERTORY INVITATION

Paula Mullan

(WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED PRAYERFUL AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF THIS COMMUNITY OF FAITH.)

- Please place your tithes and offerings in the collection plate, or in one of our offering boxes. As the ushers come to receive our gifts, please sign the attendance pad, and pass it along to your neighbor.

OFFERTORY PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Paula Mullan

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Yaroslav Daniels

*SUNG PRAISE

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH #94

COMMUNITY PRAYER

Rev. Steele

LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)

Rev. Steele

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WAYS TO CONNECT

Rev. Steele

HYMN

Kum Bay Yah UMH #494

Yaroslav Daniels

SENDING FORTH: **You Are A Blessing From God. Now Go Be A Blessing!**

Rev. Steele

POSTLUDE

Yaroslav Daniels



2026 Offering Envelopes are out on the table.
2025 Giving Statements will be sent out by the
end of the month.

Did you know: Our finance team and pastor are currently working on a budget and strategic plan for 2026. The budget has everything from office supplies to new doors and our pastor's strategic plan will forecast what we have coming up inside and outside our walls. We hope to have these ready to share by the end of the month. Stay tuned!

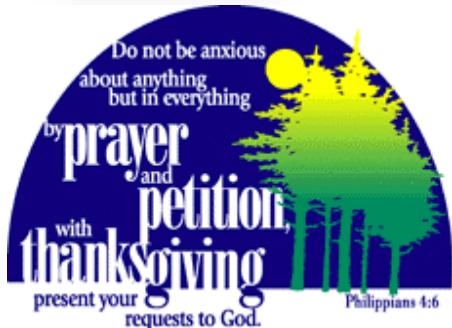


MEETING ON Monday, February 2nd @ 6:30 P.M.



is our
PAY IT FORWARD
choice for JANUARY

Noah Central grateful for the \$352 October contribution.



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. "Please notify our office via call or email: office@farmingtonfumc.org or pastor of any requests by Monday to be included in the bulletin and by Thursday for verbal announcements. Names will be removed after 60 days unless otherwise requested."

CARING MINISTRY LIST

STRENGTH & WISDOM DEALING WITH HEALTH & LIFE CHALLENGES:

Claudette Howell, Maggie Clewley, Pat Dyert, John Hopeck,
Bonnie Kennedy, Paul King, Dean Koppin, Cathy Kwasky,
Scott Lodge, Denise Rogers,

Denise Ruff, Oliver Schultz, Sharon Scott, Bernie Shaw,
Darrell Simmons, Bill & Suzanne White, Sandy Welling, Ruth Yuill

4th In loving memory of Pat Shuffler - Susan Lanstra
11th In loving memory of my husband Bob and my son, Jeremy - Susan Cook
18th Honoring the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. - Ann St. John

Church Pick Sunday Next Week!

Please write Any Old Testament Passage or Story Below and your choice
could be the Scripture passage next Sunday!

*Please share your choice via a voice message or email
office@farmingtonfumc.org.*

My Choice: _____

DEFEND THE CAUSE | GIVE DELIVERANCE | CRUSH THE
ENEMY | REDEEM THE SICK | HEAL THE SICK | REDEEM THE SICK | HEAL THE SICK



The following committees are looking for additional members:
Methodist Men, Finance, Outreach, Trustees, The Streaming Team, and Website Team.



If you are interested in any of these committees, please contact. Pastor Brian at (269) 274-0029.

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.

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 LIVESTREAM OUR WORSHIP SERVICE”

You can view our worship services live each Sunday morning, even if you don't have a Facebook page/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/@farmingtonfumc1829/videos
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/farmingtonfumc/videos.
- Website: www.farmingtonfumc.org/watch-live

YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT IS APPRECIATED

Thank you for continued prayerful and financial support of the church. If you would like to make a gift to the church, please use one of the following methods:

- 1) Drop-off or Mail-in your gift to:
First United Methodist Church of Farmington - 33112 Grand River Ave
Farmington, MI 48336
- 2) Use PayPal, and select: First United Methodist Church of Farmington
- 3) Scan the QR code and follow the prompts.



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News & Notes January 18, 2026

248 474-6573 or 248 474-6595

Tuesday, January 20th

10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, January 21st

7:15 p.m.	Boy Scouts
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Thursday, January 22nd

6:00 p.m.	Bell Rehearsal in the bell room
7:00 p.m.	Vocal Choir Rehearsal

Friday, January 23rd

5:00 p.m.	Detroit Baptist Chin
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Saturday, January 17th

9:30 a.m.	Crafter's Gathering
2:00 p.m.	Liturgical Dance Rehearsal

Sunday, January 18th

10:00 a.m.	Worship/SS Coffee Hour follows
11:30 a.m.	Bible Study
12 noon	Classical Indian Dance
5:00 p.m.	Detroit Chin Baptist Church



ANNA COOK CIRCLE FELLOWSHIP

February 11, 2026 @ 12 noon

BRING YOUR SANDWICH & BEVERAGE



LYDIA CIRCLE FELLOWSHIP

February



CRAFTER'S FELLOWSHIP

3rd Saturday's of the month

February 21, 2026

9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Bring a project to work on and a sandwich and see what we are creating.

Susan Cook, Coordinator

2 nd	Dave Drake,	3 rd	Megan Gesse
5 th	Cathy Jackson	11 th	Emma Baker
14 th	Glenn Morrison	15 th	Ann St. John
17 th	Denise Rogers	18 th	Dave Kennedy
23 rd	Julia Hanson	25 th	Sandy Roth
31 st	Ginda Gruse		

5th Harrison & Carrie Igwe

