

SUNG PRAISE

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow #94

Yaroslav Daniels

JOYS, CONCERNS, & CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Pastor Anthony

LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)

Pastor Anthony

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

COMMUNION:

Pastor Anthony & Pastor Bea

If you are watching our live stream, please have your communion elements ready for consecration.

The Great Thanksgiving:

The Lord be with you

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

People: And also with you

People: We lift them up to the Lord

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise

Remembering God's Acts of Grace:

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Consecration of Elements: (If you are watching the live stream, have your communion elements present)

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Partaking Together:

FOR THOSE WITH THE ALL-IN-ONE ELEMENTS: You will be invited to partake first.

FOR THOSE COMING FORWARD: Please follow the ushers' instructions.

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF FARMINGTON

33112 Grand River Avenue

Farmington, MI 48335



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF FARMINGTON

10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service

December 1, 2024

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

PRELUDE Yaroslav Daniels

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Anthony

HYMN Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus #196 Yaroslav Daniels

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison) Edwin Arun

In the advent season, when the past has fled, unasked, away and there is nothing left to do but wait, God, shelter us. Be our surrounding darkness; be the fertile soil out of which hope springs in due time. In uncertain times, help us to greet the dawn and labor on, love on, in faith awaiting your presence hid in you waiting to be born in due time. Amen.

(Ruth Duck, U.S.A. 20th Century)

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH: *God With Us, Emmanuel*

Hymn O Come, O Come, Emmanuel v.1 - #211

Advent Reading & Lighting of the 1st Purple Candle: Beulah & Arun Edwin

Advent Prayer (In Unison):

Gracious Lord, we thank you for being our Wonderful Counselor. As we begin our Advent journey, help us to know the abiding hope that comes from knowing you. We pray this in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen

Hymn O Come, O Come, Emmanuel v.2 - #211

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Luke 10:8-11 NRSV Edwin Arun

Liturgist: The word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

MUSICAL SELECTION It is Enough from Elijah Tobey Miller
By: Felix Mendelssohn

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Pastor Bea

HYMN O How He Loves You and Me #2108 Yaroslav Daniels
Vss. 1, 2, & 1

SERMON DON'T TAKE IT PERSONAL! Pastor Anthony

OFFERING INVITATION Edwin Arun

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

• FOR THOSE WORSHIPPING VIRTUALLY: Giving options will appear on your screen.

• FOR THOSE WORSHIPPING IN-PERSON:

You may 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. Guests, please place your completed **CONNECTION CARD** in the collection plate.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR THE OFFERING Edwin Arun

OFFERTORY MUSIC Savior, Redeemer of My Soul Tobey Miller
By: Rob Gardner



Rummage Sale Update

The last Wilson-led in-person rummage sale was held on Friday & Saturday October 18th and 19th. We had an army of workers helping in many capacities, including setting-up, providing food, sorting merchandise, cashiering and cleaning-up.

Our sincere thanks to all the following people
(apologies in advance if we missed anyone or misspelled a name):

Pastor Bea, Brenna & Carson Drake, Edwin & Beulah Arun, Calvin & Lucy Brunke, Kaylin & Dani Montgomery, Bruce, Kim and Emma Baker, Stephanie Tube, Nick Antfila, Carolyn & Jim Glennie, Paula Mullan, Gere Jones?, Karen Brichford, Ben & Julia Hanson, Marion Ringe, Connie Lawson, Patty Tschudi, Susan Sackett, Connie Lawson, Connie Haase, Carolyn Wik, Carla Trivedi, Diane Miller, Denise Ruff, Tim & Bev King, Maggie Clewley, Ann St. John, Danielle K, Cathy Kwasky, Danielle Montgomery, Pat Bradley & son, Doug Tonkovich, Gary Shier and Dan Latimer.
Also, our family members: Alan Wilson, Kathryn Wilson, Jan Jameson, Bob Pettys, Gene & Laura Jameson, Sarah Jameson & Manuel Valencia.

The work was hard but the food & fellowship were great! We really enjoyed talking to many of our friendly customers and welcoming them into our building. There were a few customers who were clearly in need and able to benefit from our low-priced merchandise.

Proceeds were \$3,189.00. This is the first time we have broken \$3,000 mark in the past 4 sales we've run. Proceeds will be allocated as follows in accordance with the preferred designations of the workers based on hours worked:

Church building fund (Trustees) \$567.60
Guiding force youth group \$1,024.66
United Women In Faith (UMW) \$1,596.74

At this time, we have not heard of anyone else stepping forward to run another in-person sale. Until that happens, please DO NOT leave any rummage in the basement storage area. Choose another worthy organization to donate your items to.

We still have a LOT of eBay items in our home and Joy will continue to attempt to sell those on eBay as time permits. Joy will give an accounting of 2024 eBay sales after the end of the year.

Joy & Doug Wilson

Another person or team is needed would like to take over the RUMMAGE SALE event. We would be happy to offer guidance to anyone who wants to know more. Stockpiling donations in the rummage room as they come in is one of the tasks involved and the sale itself is fairly well streamlined. Items currently at our home will continue to be sold on eBay as time permits. Joy & Doug Wilson



Joy & Doug Wilson & Family
Thank you so very much for your time & talent to make the Rummage Sales happen with such excellence.



When you have done it for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you have done it for me. Matthew 25:40

Meeting on Monday, December 2nd @ 7 p.m.



Samaritan Counseling Center
of Southeastern Michigan

is our **PAY IT FORWARD**
choice for November **2024**

We appreciate your generosity and ask you to please indicate **CCMM3050** on your check/envelope.



Noah at Central \$165.00
Holton Community Center
Global Ministries \$398.00
Lighthouse \$190.00

CARING MINISTRY LIST

OVERCOMING HEALTH & LIFE CHALLENGES:



Carolyn Aymer, Phyllis Anderson, Pat Bradley, Bob Cook, Maggie Clewley, Janis Creswell, Denise Durham, Bev Ellis, John Hopeck, Karma Huston, Bev Jackson, Marianne Keach, Bonnie Kennedy, Paul King, Suzanne Lanstra, Keith Miller, Denise Rogers, Marilyn Totten, Sandy Well



HEALING AT HOME: Pat Dyert -Jane Hopper -Dean Koppin, Peter Kalakailo Glenn & Patti Morrison- Bob & Judy Rehn- Oliver Schultz- Sharon Scott Bernie Shaw-Darrell Simmons-Bill & Suzanne White, Don Wingard, Ruth Yuill

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. Contact Connie Haase, Parish Visitor email: office@farmingtonfumc.org or call the church office for further information.

If you have prayer concerns, please contact Pastor Anthony (313) 283-9919



DO YOU HAVE UP DATES CONCERNING YOUR **ADDRESS * EMAIL * ENVELOPES**

If you would like or NO LONGER NEED TO RECEIVE ENVELOPES.

Please submit an email or leave a note
office@farmingtonfumc.org



will be ordered **soon** and it is too expensive to make adjustments after ordered.



Altar Flowers Dedications

1st In loving honor of Igwe grandchildren:
Noella, Macie, Brooke, Jo Jo, Savannah, Alani
8th Open, 15th Cantata, 22 Poinsettias
29th Geri Doolin



GUIDING FORCE YOUTH GROUP (GFYG)

SERVICE WEEK AT CASS COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICES

The Guiding Force Youth Group will be serving at Cass Community Social Services **July 14 through 18, 2025**. We will be traveling to Cass each day and returning to our homes for the evening.

We are inviting anyone from the congregation who is interested in serving with us is invited to come along. You will be welcome to join for as many days as it's convenient for you.

This will not only be an opportunity not only for you to serve God's people, but also to get better acquainted with the youth of our church.



SUNDAY SCHOOL is available to Children in Kindergarten through Fifth Grades throughout the school year



At this time, we are not able to provide Nursery Care for our youngest participants. 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 space that is hospitable for them.



2024 POINSETTIA ORDER FORM The Worship Committee will be decorating the sanctuary with Poinsettias for Christmas. To order a poinsettia, complete this order form by **Sunday, December 1st**. Payment must accompany your order form. You may mail-in your order form, with enclosed payment payable to First UMC, to the church office at: 33112 Grand River Avenue - Farmington, Michigan 48336. Mailed-in forms must be received, with payment, no later than **Friday, November 29th**. Poinsettias may be taken home after the 7pm Candlelight Christmas Eve Service Tuesday, December 24, 2024. Alternative Giving will go to support The N.O.A.H. Project.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS Please order _____ flowers @ \$13.00 each Total \$ _____
From: _____

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

ALTERNATIVE GIVING: The N.O.A.H. PROJECT at Central UMC
of Detroit Outreach Ministry donation \$ _____

From: _____

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____



Farmington FUMC 2024 Giving Tree

Go to www.Farmingtonfumc.org
to review and sign up on Sign up Genius

John Sheppard Contact

Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. All gifts should be wrapped or put in a holiday bag. Please put name and number on the gifts. Consider including a note/card. Sign with your first name only. No homemade food items. Only store bought with food ingredients listed. Gifts are due at the church by December 8, 2024. Thank you!



ALTAR FLOWERS 2025

CONTACT: _____
Phone number: _____
Email: _____

TRIBUTE DATE: (S) _____

TRIBUTE MESSAGE: _____

**PLACE YOUR NAME ON YOUR PREFERRED SUNDAY (S)
FOR 2025 ALTAR FLOWER TRIBUTE
IF YOU HAVE AN EMAIL ADDRESS,**

**THIS FORM WILL BE EMAILED TO YOU AS A REMINDER
(IN HONOR OF, BIRTHDAY, IN MEMORY OF, ETC.)**

should be submitted no later than 2 WEEKS PRIOR to your selected date
ALONG WITH PAYMENT OF \$30.00 per Sunday for 2 bouquets
that you may take home after worship service. Bring a receptacle to transport.
DESIGNATED Altar Flower envelopes #156 are available for payment submission

**SUBMIT TO ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OR PLACE IN OFFERING PLATE
2 WEEKS BEFORE YOUR DESIGNATED DATE**



THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO ADORN
THE ALTAR WITH FLOWERS – FUMC WORSHIP COMMITTEE



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

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 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!



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News & Notes for the week of November 24, 2021

Tuesday, November 26th

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

Wednesday, November 27th

7:15 p.m. Boy Scouts

Thursday, November 28st THANKSGIVING DAY

Friday, November 29th

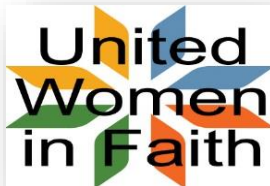
Office Closed
5:00 p.m. Detroit Chin Baptist Church

Saturday, November 30th

NO Dance Ensemble Rehearsal

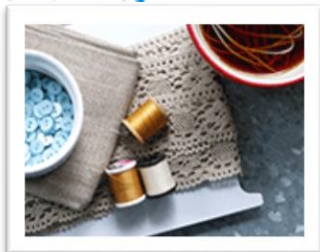
Sunday, December 1st

10:00 a.m. Worship Service/Sunday School
Coffee Hour to follow
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
11:30 a.m. Bible Study
12:00 p.m. Indian Classical Dance
5:00 p.m. Detroit Chin Baptist Church



The last UWF General meeting of the year is Saturday, Dec. 7 at 10:00am in Wesley Hall. **Cathy Jackson** will be speaking to us about her photography. All are welcome, including men.

Also, we will be **collecting winter hats and gloves** - new or gently used - to be donated to Another Day Resource Center (the Blue Bus). If you want to participate, you can bring your donation that day or put it in the box across from the church



CRAFTER'S FELLOWSHIP

4th Friday's of the month Beginning in January 2025
9 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Bring a project to work on and a dish to share.
Susan Cook, Coordinator

Church Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
10:00am to 2:30pm

Phyllis is not in on Tuesdays

Pastor Bea's Office Hours:

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

Pastor Anthony's Office Hours:

Tuesday 9:00am-1:00pm

Wednesday 4:00pm-8:00pm

Thursday 9:00am-1:00pm and 5:00pm-8:00pm

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. on Monday mornings.

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



November Birthdays

24th Susan Sackett
26th Diane Bridgeman
27th Rick Shaul
28th Denise Dunham

November Anniversaries

29th John & Leah Sheppard, Jr

December Birthdays

3rd Margie Shaul
4th Carrie Igwe, William Morrison
5th Judy Hanson, Robin Thomas
Alan Wilson
6th Oliver Schultz's 102
8th Doug Wilson
11th Michael Kwasky
15th Connie Haase, Brenda King
17th Madilen Gesse
18th Bob Rodibaugh
19th Karen Brichford, Tina Horton
20th Beth Patton
21st Sharon Gesse
23rd Marianna Barrons
27th Amy Berry
28th Barbara Walker
30th Linda McDoniel

December Anniversaries

11th Paul & Brenda King
26th Jerry & Sharon Thomas
29th Bob & Debbie Muncey