



**Walk in His Love
Share His Love
Show His Love
Experience His Love**

John 15:12: My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.

Luke 6:31: Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Corinthians 16:14: Do everything in love.

Proverbs 17:17: A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

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Calendar of Events



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 January 29, 2023



A declaration for you, your family, and friends to experience a new year of increased health, wealth, wisdom, and new ideas in 2023.

Tuesday, January 31st

- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Winter 2023 Women's Bible Study
- 7:30 p.m. Carillion Choir Rehearsal

Church Office Hours:

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

Pastor Bea's Office Hours:

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

Wednesday, February 1st

- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
- 7:30 p.m. Disciple Bible Study

Pastor Anthony's NEW Office Hours:

Tuesday 8am-9:30am

Wednesday 6:30-8pm

Thursday 11:30-1pm & 6:30-8pm

Thursday, February 2nd

- 12:00 p.m. Weekly Devotion Livestream
- 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, February 5th

- 10:00 a.m. Communion Worship Service
Pick up Offering Envelopes
- 11:30 a.m. John Bible Study

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.

If you have an announcement you'd like to give or information to be included in the order of worship, they must be submitted to Pastor Anthony no later than Monday's at 12:00pm.



JANUARY 31st Bev Ellis, Ginda Gruse

3 Bob Cook, 6 Adam Weigand, 7 Jill Burress, 8 James Totten
11 Gary Shier, 12 Doug Harbison 13 Phyllis Paske, 14 Peter Kalakailo
15 Mike Mohr, 16 William Lamott, 18 Carol Riley, 18 Donald Wingard
20 James Paske, 21 Bernie Shaw, 23 Carolyn Wik
24 Catherine McCarthy 25 Gladys Bocker, 28 Ed Eidt
23rd Julia Hanson, 24th Sue Weigand, 25th Sandy Roth

Ken & Amy Berry FEBRUARY 11th

Happy
ANNIVERSARY



Overcoming health challenges:

Norma Hood, John Hopeck, Jane Hopper, Karma Huston.

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



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF FARMINGTON

10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
February 5, 2023

PRELUDE Sean Burden

WELCOME Pastor Anthony

HYMN Lift Every Voice and Sing #519 Sean Burden

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison) Marion Ringe

Almighty and loving God, we have gathered to worship and praise your Holy name. Help us embrace the challenge of spiritual, numerical, and financial growth with honesty and transparency. Reignite within us a desire to serve joyfully, give generously, pray fervently and worship passionately. We want to be a fruitful, inspiring, and transformative community of faith. Remove all stumbling blocks that would hinder or distract us from accomplishing the mission and vision you have given to us. Bring to us the people who will have what we need to become what you envision us to be. Hear our prayer, oh Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Isaiah 43:18-21 NRSV Marion Ringe

Liturgist: The word of God for the people of God

People: **Thanks be to God**

SPECIAL MUSIC "It Is Well With My Soul" Caels Hepworth, soloist
by Horatio G. Spafford

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Pastor Bea

HYMN Leave It There #522 Sean Burden

SERMON: TIME TO RESTART Pastor Anthony

OFFERING & PRAYER OF DEDICATION Marion Ringe

We appreciate your prayerful and financial support of this community of faith.

- For those worshipping in-person, place your offering in one of our offering boxes before you leave.
- For those worshipping virtually:
 1. You may mail-in or drop-off your offering to our address:
33112 Grand River, Farmington, MI 48336
 2. You may use PayPal; directing your offering to: **First United Methodist Church of Farmington**
 3. You may text your offering by texting: **fumcgive** to **44321** and follow the prompts.

OFFERTORY MUSIC Sean Burden

JOYS & CONCERNS Pastor Anthony

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER 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.

COMMUNION:

Pastor Anthony

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:

The body of Christ offered for you that you may be made whole, take and eat
The cup of sacrifice, forgiving you all your sins that you may do likewise, take and drink.

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

SERMON SNIPPET:

When You Hurt, I Hurt!
1 Corinthians 12:12-27 NRSV
Rev. Dr. Anthony Hood



Take a moment to remember the last time you stubbed or hit your pinky toe in the middle of the night. For many of us we can instantly relive the painful moments that sent a shockwave of pain throughout our body. Depending on who was around, we may have expressed a few choice words. After concluding we hadn't broken it and that it wasn't bleeding, we wondered: How can something so small and seemingly insignificant cause us so much pain? Whatever the experience, we have all had a moment where we learned how interconnected every part of our body really is. As people of faith, God reminds us through the apostle Paul, of how interconnected we are with one another and of the importance to come together in mutual respect and common purpose. Each member – whether new or old – of this body of Christ is important. For just like our pinky toe and paper cut remind us, when you hurt, I hurt.

In our text for this morning, we find Paul teaching an invaluable lesson to a trouble church. The letters of first and second Corinthians are Paul's efforts to help correct and instruct the Church at Corinth regarding the issues that were causing divisions amongst the gathered believers.

The church was experiencing tension and division based on who they were affiliated with: Paul or Peter. The church was experiencing division based on socio-economic class. The church was experiencing division based upon ethnic background. Paul writes to offer us sound instruction to transform our perception and perspectives, so that we might recognize how much we need each other. Paul uses the analogy of the human body to speak about the importance of each member of the body of Christ. Paul recognized and lifted the beauty of diversity working in harmony.

That although we are different, we are still invaluable parts of the body of Christ, brought to this local outpost of Heaven to be a blessing to those around us. Paul recognizes the health and healing that can be accomplished by a diverse group of people focuses on healing their spiritual, emotional, psychological scars and leading others to be healed by the love of Christ as well.

For just as I hurt when you hurt. When you are healed, it helps me find healing as well, and that's what the body of Christ is supposed to be, a place of healing for all people.



CELEBRATION! On Sunday, January 22nd Farmington First family had a special service to honor and celebrate Harvey Kahl, Jr. our church musician, who has retired after 21 years! The service was filled with music and gifts. Thank You for your cards and tokens of affection and/or appreciation



Phyllis will be out of the office FEBRUARY 7th - 10th out of town
Tuesday, February 14th & Friday, February 17th



PICK UP YOUR 2023 ENVELOPES from the table in the Narthex, or Monday – Friday bet 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Please indicate envelope needs on the sheet located on the table. Positively, Phyllis A

If you have an **ANNOUNCEMENT** you'd like to give or information to be included in the order of worship, they must be submitted to Pastor Anthony **NO LATER THAN MONDAY'S AT 12:00PM.**



United Women in Faith

The next General meeting of United Women in Faith is Saturday, Feb. 18 at 10:00 am in the sanctuary. Our speaker will be Melanie Goldberg, giving a talk entitled "Immigration 101." All are welcome to come and receive information on this topic.

(formerly United Methodist Women)



SHROVE TUESDAY Everyone is invited to join in a festive Shrove Tuesday Celebration at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, February 21. We will gather at the church for a meal of Pizza and Pączki, followed by fun activities, including making Mardi Gras-style masks. So that we can order the food for our meal, please e-mail Pastor bea at pastorbea@farmingtonfumc.org with your reservations. In order to cover the cost of the food, we will be collecting a free-will offering that evening. We look forward to this time of fun and celebration with all who are able to join us.

THURSDAY EVENINGS TOGETHER Stay tuned for information about "Thursdays Evenings Together," special gatherings for EVERYONE to share in a meal and participate in community-building studies and activities. Choir members are invited to join us and share in these events before choir rehearsal. More details about meals and activities will be available soon.



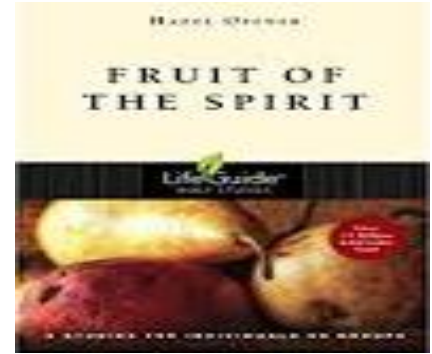
EASTER IS COMING Although it probably seems like the Christmas Holidays ended day-before-yesterday, we are planning a community-based Easter Egg hunt and decorating event on Saturday, April 8. Please plan to join us and invite your friends and family to come along for a time of fun and creativity.



WINTER 2023 TUESDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Tuesday Night Women's Bible Study started a new 9-week one-hour study on Tuesday, January 10th at 7:00 pm. We will be studying "Fruit of the Spirit", using the Life Guide Bible Study booklet by Hazel Offner. At this time the study is being offered in a hybrid manner both in person at the and via Zoom.

The study highlights the following fruits of the spirit and inspires participants to nurture them in their lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Each chapter includes related bible verses. Let Barbara Walker, walkerbarbar@yahoo.com, know if you are interested. She has \$8 copies of the book. The Tuesday Night Bible Study offers an enjoyable setting for fellowship, support, and study. January is a great time to start a new faith building adventure. Please consider joining us.



Discipleship: Becoming More Like **CHRIST** EPHESIANS 2:10

"Fast Track" 12 week Disciple Bible Study on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m., led by Pastor bea began on January 18, for. We will begin with the Old Testament Study. If you are interested in joining this class, please contact Pastor bea so that we can order books. Her email is beasoots@gmail.com or call 248-320-5108. If you call and she doesn't answer, please leave a message and she will call you back as soon as possible.

OUTREACH FUNDRAISING PROJECTS PAY IT FORWARD!

We're back! Monthly Church-wide projects!
God's Country Cooperative Parrish
is our choice for the month of January 2023

We appreciate your generosity,
please indicate **God's Country Cooperative Parrish**
on your checks and envelopes.



Daytime **FITNESS** classes are forming here at the church. These one hour classes are designed for people over 50 and will be led by a certified group fitness instructor and consist of low impact exercises (including some line dancing) as well as strengthening, toning and stretching.

There is a fee to cover expenses related to music, equipment and insurance.

For more information, please contact Susan Cook at 248-832-3683 or suzcook33115@gmail.com. Thank you! Peace, Susan

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.



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

Jesus Christ Superstar Guiding Force Youth Group is planning to go to the matinee performance of *Jesus Christ, Superstar* on Sunday, March 5 at the Fischer Theater in Detroit. As we have been making plans, several adults have expressed interest in joining us for this adventure. So, we are opening this opportunity to anyone who wants to come along. We have chosen \$41 tickets. **We have extended the deadline for reservations, so if you would like to join us, please let Pastor bea know and get the \$41 per ticket to her by February 12.**



VIRTUAL RUMMAGE SALE UPDATE:

Some of the rummage sale "good stuff" donations are listed on eBay and I've sold over \$1,000 so far with more items to be listed. Below are the steps to follow for viewing the eBay items for sale that benefits First UMChurch. On your web browser-go to eBay.com at the top right of your screen you will see a blue search box you want the ADVANCED search to the right of the blue box **click on it** that will bring up the "advanced search" page scroll down until you see the "Sellers" heading check the "Only show items from" box to the right of the "include" box you will enter our church's user ID which is "firstchurchseller" without the quote marks then click the blue search box at

the bottom of the page That should bring up all the items currently for sale on the church eBay site (currently over 100 items are listed for sale).

If you happen to see something you want to purchase, contact me and I'll remove the listing. You can pay for it directly into the rummage sale account and save the shipping cost. Thank you for all of your wonderful cast-offs!

THE NEXT RUMMAGE SALE DROP-OFF DAY WILL BE ON SATURDAY, MARCH 25 FROM 9:00 AM TO NOON. YOU CAN PULL UP YOUR CAR UNDER THE PORTICO AND WE WILL UNLOAD YOUR GENTLY USED ITEMS. NO BABY BOOSTER/CAR SEATS, TELEVISIONS OR FURNITURE ACCEPTED. CLOTHING SHOULD BE FREE FROM STAINS, HOLES AND PET HAIR. THANK YOU!

Joy & Doug Wilson joywilson@hotmail.com 734-660-4915



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>.

