



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF FARMINGTON

33112 Grand River Avenue † Farmington, MI 48336

News & Notes June 7, 2026

248 474-6573 or 248 474-6595

Wednesday, June 10th

10:00 a.m.

Caring Ministry

Friday, June 12th

5:00 p.m.

Detroit Baptist Chin

Sunday, June 14th

10:00 a.m.

Worship/SS Coffee Hour follows

11:30 a.m.

Bible Study/**GRADUATE CELEBRATION**

5:00 p.m.

Detroit Chin Baptist Church

Church Office Hours

Tuesday 11:00 am to 3:30 pm

Wednesday 12 noon – 4:30 p.m.

Pastor Bea

Tuesday – Thursday

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Pastor Brian

is in the office from 10:00 a.m. --3:00 p.m.

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Please text to confirm availability.

And, available by phone 269-274-0029

every day except Friday.

CPR Training on Saturday, June 20th 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

YOU ARE A BLESSING FROM GOD: We grateful for all our guest, let us know you are here. Please scan the QR code to complete a: **CONNECTION CARD**



**ANNA COOK
WILL SEE YOU IN THE FALL**



Basement Burger Bar

Go after
worship any
Sunday and
20% of profits
come back to
the church!



CRAFTER'S FELLOWSHIP

3rd Saturday's of the month

JUNE 20th 9:30 a.m. – 2:00

p.m.

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

Susan Cook, Coordinator



4th Diane Portner, Mike Jacobi, 7th Charles Palmer

8th Carolyn Glennie, Pamela Vohra

9th Kristeenna Tucker, 14th Patricia Piel

22nd Christiana Brunke, 23rd Mildred Brunke

24th Michelle Malkowski, 25th Harrison Igwe

26th Paul King, 27th Suzan Lanstra

28th Pastor Bea Fraser Soots

29th Estelle Kalakailo, Danny Portner

5th Tom & Julia Hanson

16th Dan & Erin Gertiser

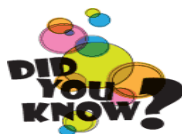
19th Michael & Cheryl Jacobi

21st Chuck & Jan Inman

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June 14, 2026

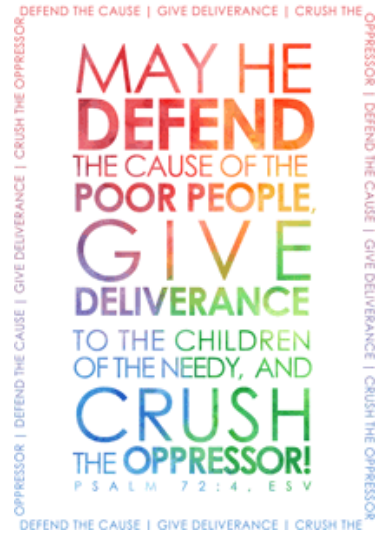
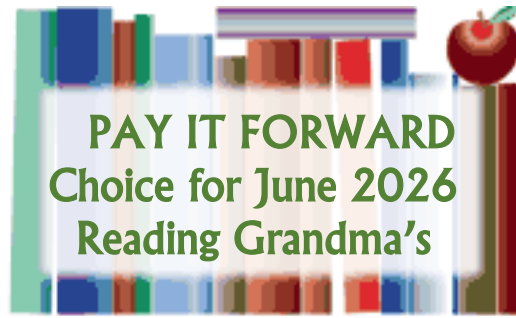
PRELUDE		Yaroslav Daniels
WORDS OF WELCOME		Rev. Brian Steele
HYMN	Welcome	See Insert
CALL TO WORSHIP		Jill Burress
Leader: God has begun a good work in each of us.		
People: God isn't done with us yet.		
Leader: God continues to mold us and shape us through love and grace.		
People: God isn't done with us yet.		
Leader: God still has more work to do in us and through us.		
People: God isn't done with us yet.		
ALL: Thanks be to God. Amen.		
OPENING PRAYER		Jill Burress
God, your Word says there are seasons for everything. Beginnings. Endings. And everything in between. Today may we remember that you are at work in all seasons. That you are still guiding us, pruning us, shaping us, loving us. May we hear your guiding voice and follow you to wherever you have called us. Amen		
HYMN	Pass It On	UMH #572
CHILDREN'S MOMENT		Brianne Steele
SCRIPTURE LESSON:	Mark 4:1-9	Jill Burress
Liturgist:	The word of God for the people of God	
People:	Thanks be to God	
SERMON	Graduation Sunday: Still Blooming	Rev. Steele
RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES	Pastor Bea Fraser-Soots and Rev. Steele	
CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY		Rev. Steele
OFFERTORY INVITATION		Jill Burress
(WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR GENEROSITY. PLEASE, GIVE LIKE IT MATTERS, BECAUSE IT DOES.)		
• Please place your Connect Cards in the offering plate along with any financial gifts you wish to give.		
OFFERTORY PRAYER OF DEDICATION		Jill Burress
OFFERTORY MUSIC		Yaroslav Daniels
*SUNG PRAISE	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH #94	
COMMUNITY PRAYER		Pastor Bea
LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)		
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	Blest Be the Tie That Binds	UMH #557
SENDING:	Congratulations Graduates! Go Love the World in Jesus Name!	Rev. Steele
POSTLUDE		Yaroslav Daniels



All our services are on YouTube! Subscribe to our channel at <https://www.youtube.com/@FarmingtonFUMC1829>



MEETING ON Monday, @ 6:30 p.m.



CASS COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICES

expresses gratitude for the generous April gift of \$369.00



**CARING MINISTRY LIST
STRENGTH & WISDOM DEALING WITH
HEALTH & LIFE CHALLENGES:**

CONDOLENCES Denise Ruff, Ruth Yuill, Bev Ellis, Dean Koppin

Bernie Shaw's, Maggie Clewley, Pat Dygert, Claudette Howell, John Hopeck, Bonnie Kennedy, Paul King, Cathy Kwasky, Scott Lodge, Denise Rogers, Oliver Schultz, Sharon Scott, *Darrell Simmons*, Bill & Suzanne White, Sandy Welling

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."



- 24th In loving memory of all our awesome Veterans and my father, John Downing, US Navy.
In loving honor of my grandson, Kane Tschudi serving overseas in US Navy Patti Tschudi
- 31st In celebration of Aidan's graduation from Michigan State University with a B.S. in Horticulture - Riley Family
- 7th In honor of Meredy & Jake's wedding anniversary Karen Brichford**
- 14th In loving memory of Geri's mom, Sheila Sims
- 21st In loving memory of Pat Fleming's parents 80th Wedding Anniversary
- 28th Niemic
5th Judy Hanson
- 12th **Open for your loving tribute!**
- 19th Brian & Brianne Steel
- 26th Connie Lynn
- Open for your loving tribute! @ \$30.00 office@farmingtonfumc.org**
July 12th August 2nd August 9th August 23rd September 13th October 4th December 6th



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.



GIVE TODAY



FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM @farmingtonfumc



*Enjoy, a
happy,
healthy,
and safe
Spring!*

PRAYERS

General: All conflicts globally and domestically, Connie L's grandson Andrew who is serving in Iraq and all those serving, Temple Israel in West Bloomfield and all our interfaith siblings.

Gratitude: Kind spouses, growing children and families.

Health: Ben and Allison, Louellen, Julian, Cameron, Lily W, Olivia, Nikki, Kali Imus, Tony Tulgetske, James Lanstra, Hooley Fiwig, Sean Mullan, Bernie Shaw, Claudette Howell

Cancer: Janice, Pat (Sandy R's cousin), Dakota and her parents Leslie and Kevin, Dawn McCourt, Michael Jackson, David Shultz.

The families of Denise Ruff, David O'Shea (Cathy Kwasky's brother) Ethel Shapiro, Ruth Yuill, Dean Koppin, Beth Ellis, Judith Young Mayo, Peter Kalakailo, Bob Cook, those who have lost somebody to fentanyl overdose, families and everyone amidst their grief.



Pastor Brian Steele

June 7, 2026

Here's the gist, friends. "There is a wideness of God's mercy." That's Charles Wesley. And the more we try to narrow mercy to people who look like us, think like us, and vote like us, the more we prove that we really have no understanding of God's mercy.

God so loved the world that God gave God's only begotten Son. God so loved Nineveh. God so loved people who voted for the candidate you can't stand. God so loved people who live the faith differently than you. God so loved people. All people matter to God. And when we do the picking and choosing of who deserves mercy, we may be worshiping someone, but it definitely isn't Jesus. Friends, if Jesus didn't come into the world to condemn it, I don't think he sent any of us to either. We don't get to give up on people who God is still madly in love with.

This is what it means to be United Methodist. This is who we are. This is--brace yourself, church--our tradition as United Methodists. And if we want revival in our church and in our denomination, we have to submit to be more vile. We have to take the church to people who the church should have no interest in and to places where the church should not be.

Be vile, friends. Break the dadgum rules and love everybody. See the sacred worth, the divine creativity, the beauty in the diversity of God's creation.

As one church sign has said, "Forgive your enemies. It messes with their head."

Here at Farmington First, we are learning to embrace a wideness in God's mercy. I've heard it from you and I've seen it. Let's capitalize on this. Let's not keep this private. Let's make it clear that everybody--no matter who you're attracted to or not attracted to, no matter who you vote for or don't vote for, no matter what's in your bank account or not in your bank account--that there is a place for you in God's Kingdom and at this church.

Submit to be more vile. There is a wideness in God's mercy. Our God is big enough to have room for every tribe, nation and tongue. Let's embrace that. And let's get vile with it. Amen.

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