Welcome!

Rise in body or in spirit where designated by * Please join in speaking the words in bold. Sunday, March 30, 2025

PRELUDE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

In him all things in heaven and on earth were made. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead.

For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.

And we who were once estranged from God he has now reconciled in his body.

Through his death he is able to present us holy and blameless before God. Praise his holy name!

from Colossians 1:15-21

***HYMN** Hope of the World UMH #178

*OPENING PRAYER

In the mystery of our universe, O God, you created all things, and through Christ Jesus, you reconciled all things to you. So we come eagerly before you, steadfast in the assurance we were given by the grace of our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*SHARING THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG Come and Find the Quiet Center TFWS #2128

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LESSON Luke 10: 38-42

RESPONSE The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE "Don't Just Do Something, Sit There" Pastor Rick Carlson

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Upholding the sacred worth of all persons reflects most clearly the heart of Christ Jesus. Through our giving we accept responsibility for the work that he began on earth, making room for the least and the lost so that they too might know the depth of God's love.

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise God ye creatures here below Alleluiah! Alleluiah! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit Holy Spirit! Alleluiah! Alleluiah!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN

Praise the Source of Faith and Learning

TFWS #2004

*SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Please join us for a time of sharing in the Fireside Room.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Greeters Tom and Sherry Miller, Sonja Hunter

Liturgist Sue Gould

Media Dane Granholm, Laura Suskin

Pastor Pastor Rick Carlson

For pastoral care, please contact Pastor Rick at 630-564-0413

United Women in Faith (UWF) membership Lenten Brown Bag Mission

This Lent, we invite you to participate in our Brown Bag Mission by collecting 40 essential items—one for each day of Lent. Suggested donations include toothpaste, toothbrushes, non-perishable food, paper cups, plates, toilet paper, baby wipes, diapers, lotion, and other necessities. Please drop off your items in the bins in the church office by Palm Sunday. For more information, contact Marcia at 331-276-7979 (call or text). Thank you for your generosity!

UMCOR donation

During Lent, we invite everyone to contribute to our UMCOR donation goal of \$20 per person—just 50 cents a day for 40 days. Please bring your offering on Palm Sunday for a special blessing. Thank you for your support!

Easter Breakfast - Sunday, April 20

Join us for a delicious Easter Breakfast on April 20 from 8:15 to 9:45 a.m.! Enjoy pancakes with toppings, egg casseroles, potatoes, and fruit as we celebrate together. Sign up to donate items or help out! For more information, contact Marcia at 331-276-7979 (call or text).

Easter Egg Hunt - Sunday, April 20

Children ages infant to 12 are invited to join us for an Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 20, at 11:15 a.m. Meet in the nursery after worship to join the fun! We are also accepting candy donations until April 6 to help fill the eggs. For more information, please see Matt or Marcia. Thank you for your support!

Fellowship Sundays - Share Your Favorite Treats!

Pick a Sunday to bring some of your favorite snacks or treats to share! Fellowship time is a wonderful opportunity for the congregation to gather, catch up, and welcome new friends. Sign up to host and help make our time together even more special!

Need Help with Shopping?

We have church members available to shop for mission donations, Easter candy, or fellowship treats on your behalf! Simply mark your donation, and we'll take care of the shopping for you.

Special Music

Do you or someone you know have a musical talent to share? We're coordinating music for our worship services and would love for you to be a part of it! Please reach out to Marcia or call/text 331-276-7979.

Adult Education Forum

You're invited to join our weekly Adult Education Forum, where we explore meaningful questions about our faith, values, and beliefs. This forum is a welcoming space for open dialogue, reflection, and a deeper understanding of how our faith shapes our lives. We meet in the library from 8:45 to 9:45 on Sunday mornings prior to worship.

Teen Girl Mission Group

Our United Women of Faith is organizing a group of teen girls to work on local service/mission projects in our community. Teens will earn community service volunteer hours and do not need to be members of FUMC or attend regularly. Any teen girl would be welcome to join this service group.

First meeting/project: Sunday, April 27, 4 – 6 p.m.

Location: Youth Room on the lower level at First United Methodist Church West Dundee

Project: We will be assembling oral hygiene kits (toothbrush, toothpaste, flossers, lip balm) for donation to a Shoebox Christmas gift ministry assembled for children and Teens who live in the Spirit Lake Native American Reservation in South Dakota. We will discuss ideas for future projects.

Donations are welcome: Toothpaste, lip balm, Toothbrushes (single or multipack), quart-size zip lock bags.

Please contact us if you are interested in attending this meeting or future meetings:

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Our services are livestreamed on YouTube each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Visit youtube.com/@fumcdundee or our website, fumcwd.org, to view our past services.

