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.

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!

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.

Save the Date for Vacation Bible School!

Theme: A Day at Rocky Point Lighthouse

Join us for a special 2-evening Vacation Bible School where

kids will *shine God's light*!

Dates: Thursday, June 26 & Friday, June 27

Time: 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Where: First United Methodist Church

It'll be an unforgettable adventure at Rocky Point Lighthouse filled with faith, fun, and fellowship!

More details coming soon!

How can you help? We're always looking for volunteers and support—there's a place for everyone to get involved!

Questions? Please reach out to Amanda Tracy or Laura Suskin.

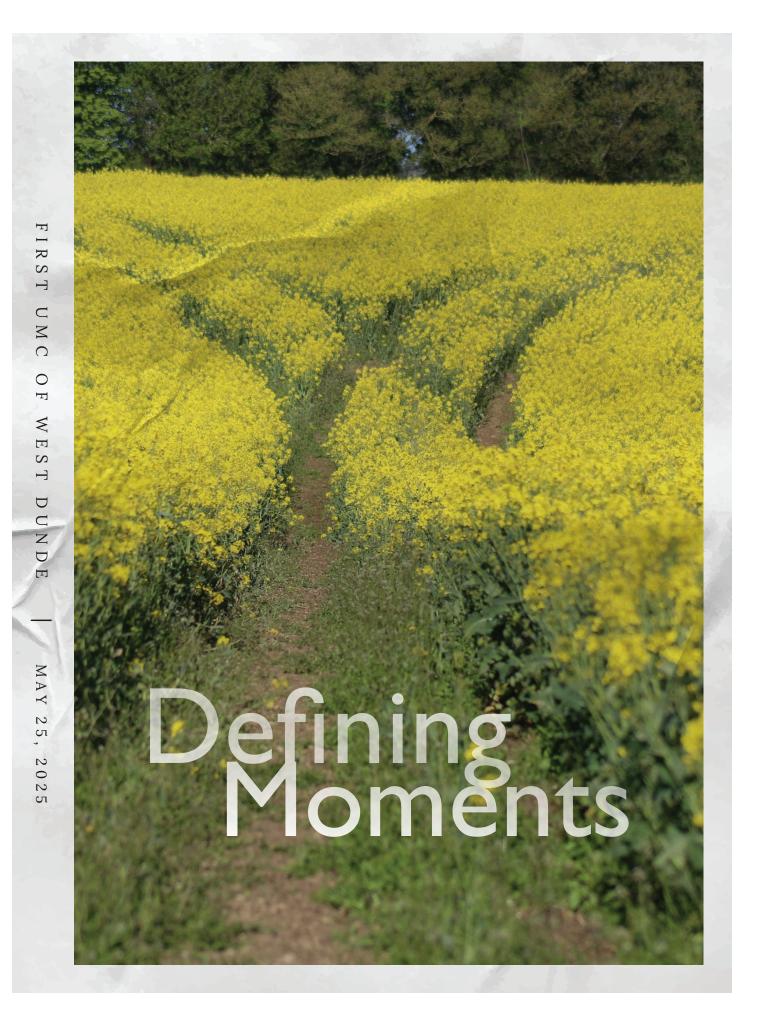
Let's get ready to shine bright together!





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Welcome!

Rise in body or in spirit where designated by * Please join in speaking the words in bold.

PRELUDE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

If it had not been for the Lord who was on our side, our enemies would have overwhelmed us. They would have swallowed us alive and the flood would have swept us away.

Blessed be the Lord who has freed us from the snare of the fowlers; the trap was broken and we have escaped ruin!

Our help is in the name of the Lord!

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth!

from Psalm 124

*HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

UMH #64

*OPENING PRAYER

God of ages past and days yet to come, hear our words of praise and thanksgiving. Give us confidence to stand on the firm foundation of your grace as we prepare for whatever trials we might encounter. Open our minds to the blessings and wonders we find along the way. We pray in the name of the risen Christ. Amen.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG Open the Eyes of My Heart W&S #3008

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LESSON Esther 4:10-17

RESPONSE The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

SPECIAL MUSIC Nancy Fransdal

MESSAGE Defining Moments: For Such a Time as Thisk Pastor Rick Carlson

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***HYMN** Come, Let Us Dream W&S #3157

*SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

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

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Greeters Jan Livengood, Sue Beichner, and Sonja Hunter

Liturgist Matthew Tracy

Media Dane Granholm, Laura Suskin

Pastor Pastor Rick Carlson

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

Order Your Rhubarb Pies - Support Our Missions

The United Women in Faith will be making rhubarb pies on Friday, May 30. Each pie is \$14, prepared frozen and ready to bake at your convenience. Please place your order by Thursday, May 29 by calling or texting Marcia at 331-276-7979.

If you'd like to help assemble pies, join us in the church kitchen on Friday, May 30 at 3:30 p.m. For details, contact Jennifer Schaffer at 847-287-7185.

Celebrating Our Graduates!

Do you have someone graduating from high school, college, or vocational school? Please let us know through the QR code. All names will be printed in the July/August issue of our Banner Newsletter. Please provide your graduate's information by Saturday, May 31.

