***Celebrating the Richness of God’s Grace***

***Proclaiming the Kingdom: beginning in Chisago County***

*+ Please stand if you are able*

*To enhance our worship, please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.*

*Hearing devices are available at the sound booth.*

Prelude and Silent Prayer

Words of Welcome/Attendance Registration

Announcements and Greeting

Mission Moment *Restoring the Heart Ministries*  Beth Lunsford

+Call To Worship Psalm 105:1-11 Hymnal #828

+Praise and Worship (please stand or sit as you wish)

Children’s Moment

+Hymn #419 *I Am Thine, O Lord*

Bible Reading Romans 8:26-39

Message *What, Then, Shall We Say?*

*What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us? Romans 8:31*

+Hymn (screen)  *One Thing Remains*

Offering *Pray For Peace* Reba McEntire

+Offering Response #234 Refrain only *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

Prayer

+Hymn #98 *To God Be the Glory*

+Benediction

+Postlude

Thank you for worshiping with us this morning!

**This Week’s Calendar…**

**Monday, July 28**

 4 – 6p Community Dinner at Zion Lutheran Church, Chisago City

**Tuesday, July 29**

Men’s Softball Make-Up Games, Ki-Chi-Saga Fields

**Wednesday, July 30**

**Thursday, July 31**

 7:30p Worship Team

**Friday, August 1**

 2:30 – 5:00p Club Rock – middle school youth – youth room

**Saturday, August 2**

Men’s Softball Tournament, Ki-Chi-Saga Fields

**Next Sunday, August 3**

9:00a Worship

 Message based on Matthew 14:13-21

10:15a Fellowship

10:30a Intercessory Prayer – chapel

Last week’s offering: $2,840 Budgeted: $3,676

Attendance last Sunday: 77

Carpet Project Giving (Phase One) : $12,135 Goal: $14,000

**Carpet Project:** If you would like to make a contribution, please make your check out to First UMC, marking “carpet project” in the memo.

**Children at First**

* ‘Worship Bags’ are in the foyer for children to borrow
* A Nursery for babies and toddlers is available every Sunday

**Prayer Requests:** Cole Anderson; Chuck Zimmerman; Roxy Bahn;

Floyd Paurus

**Here’s What’s Happening…**

**Fellowship:** Join us for coffee and treats in the fellowship hall following the service.

**Church Conference ~ By Laws and Articles of Incorporation:** We will vote on the new By Laws and Articles of Incorporation of First UMC TODAY at 10:30 following the worship service.

**Thank you!:** A sincere and hearty “Thank You!” for making my 99th birthday a day to remember! Doris

**Mission Sunday:** Beth Lunsford will be sharing about *Restoring the Heart Ministries,* a 501 © (3) non-profit, non-denominations, charitable organization whose primary purpose is to help men, women, and children find freedom and hope from the life experience of emotional, sexual and physical abuse; post abortion trauma as well as other types of trauma. The mission of *Restoring the Heart Ministries* is to help individuals become the whole person Jesus Christ desires them to be and to fulfill the purpose for which they were created.

**Mission Offering:** Please use the envelope provided, making your check out to First UMC marking “Missions” in the memo. This will allow us to record your giving for IRS purposes, allow FUMC to develop a “total missions giving” record and allow you to contribute to a cause without getting on another solicitation mailing list.

**Giving Statements: Mid-year Giving Statements are on the table in the foyer.**

**Voting for Carpet:** Two carpet samples are on a table in the foyer. You have the opportunity to vote which is your choice for the hallways. Lloyd Jones will be at the table to help you vote. Deadline for voting is Sunday, August 3.

**Outdoor Service:** Our next outdoor service will be held August 10, 10:00 a.m. at the pavilion (weather permitting). Please bring a lawn chair or blanket.

**Note service time change.**

**School Supplies Needed:** Chisago Lakes Area Food Shelf is gathering school supplies for those children who can’t afford them. They will purchase backpacks, fill them with your donations and distribute them at the food shelf the last week in August. A box is located on a table in the foyer for your donations. Deadline is August 22.

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 ***9:00 a.m.***