

This Week's Calendar...



Sunday, Sept 8, 2024

9:00am - Worship Service
1-5:00pm - Sacred Sites Tour

Monday, Sept 9, 2024

10:00am - Fall Bible Study: ACTS: The Birth of the Church
4-6:00pm - Anniversary Fundraiser BBQ
Community Meal at Zion Lutheran Church

Tuesday, Sept 10, 2024

5:30pm - Worship Team
6:30pm - Trustees
7:00pm - SPRC

Wednesday, Sept 11, 2024

6:45pm - Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, Sept 15, 2024

9:00am - Worship Service
10:30am - *RALLY SUNDAY!
Bring a pot luck dish to share!

*Rally Day is observed in celebration of a new start and renewed effort involving youth and adults in Christian Education.



"As followers of Jesus Christ, we will proclaim the message of God's kingdom and bring hope to a hurting world beginning in Chisago County."

Worship Service

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Prelude

Opening Hymn *UMH #364* *"Because He Lives"*

Welcome, Greeting & Announcements

Prayer of Confession

ALL: Gracious God, we come before you today knowing that we often fall short of your call to love one another well. We allow ourselves to be blinded by wealth and power. We ignore those around us who suffer injustice, poverty, and rejection. We tune out the cries of the poor and those on the edges of our communities. Help us to see your great generosity, hear your word of mercy, and feel your great love for all who need your redemptive grace. Strengthen us to reach out in service to those who are in need. Make us aware of those outside our own communities, that we may see them as your precious children and serve them in humility and joy. May we continue to grow in grace as we learn how to serve you in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

- Adapted from The Abingdon Worship Annual 2009

Scripture

John 20:11-18

Gloria Patri *UMH #70*

Apostles' Creed *UMH #881 (traditional)*

Offering & Prayer Requests





Sermon Series: Standing on the Promises
"The Promise of Resurrection"
Pastor Chris Kneen

Communion* & Lord's Prayer

**The new chalice communion cups are gluten free and easier to open.*

Closing Hymn

Benediction

Postlude

MISSION FOCUS:



Zoe Empowers equips children in 8 critical areas of life to overcome extreme poverty and become entrepreneurs, providers, and leaders in their community who know their worth and abilities. Through participation in a three year program children are given education, training, security and the opportunity to experience the gospel in action. Learn more about the ministry on their website <https://zoeempowers.org/> Support the ministry through prayer and by designating a portion of your offering to "missions" in September.

Announcements

Are you a visitor? - Welcome! We are so glad you're here! If you are looking for a church home we would be honored to have you Worship with us! Please contact Pastor Chris or the church office for more new member information. Thank you for being here!

Simpson House Volunteer Opportunity - Scott and Wendy Braski will be serving a meal at the Simpson house on Sunday Sept 1st from 6-8pm. Looking for 3-4 volunteers. If interested please contact Wendy Braski or the church office.



Chisago Lakes Community Meal Anniversary Fundraiser - September 9th 4-6pm at Zion Lutheran Church Chisago. CLCM will be holding an Anniversary Fundraising picnic to aid in the expenses of the free community meal held each Monday night. Join us for Fun, food, fellowship, music and more!



CHOIR FUN !!! The Choir will REHEARSE on Wed Sept 11th at 6:45pm. You will love the laughter and camaraderie! Whatever your voice or music skills may be, First United Methodist Church needs you! Please encourage anyone you know to support our occasional choir. JOIN US FOR A ROUSING CROWD-STYLE WELCOME FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY ON RALLY SUNDAY on Sept 15th! Text MaryAnn at (651) 399-9273 with questions. Thank You.



RALLY DAY - Mark your calendars!! First UMC will be hosting Rally Day Potluck on Sunday Sept 15th at 10:30am. Please bring a dish to share. Rally Day is observed in celebration of a new start and renewed effort involving children, youth and adults in Christian education.

KICK - Kids In Christ Kingdom youth ministry begins on September 18th meeting Wednesday nights from 6-7pm. Curriculum this year is "Linked by Love" join us each week as we learn about how we are linked by God's love! Youth Christian Education is provided at no cost to the family.

Confirmation - Parent Information Meeting for confirmation students will be held on Wed September 18th at 6:00pm. We are very excited about the curriculum and field trips we have planned for the coming year. The Confirmation and youth education programs at First UMC are provided at no cost to the family.

Sacred Sites Tour - Join us to gain a greater awareness and understanding of the Dakota people, the original people of this area, who too often are invisible in their homeland. Tour Date: September 8, 2024 1:00-5:00pm snack provided. Cost of \$35 per person. Sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall. For questions please contact Rebecca Ervasti 612-226-1638.



Fall Bible Study - God guides our witness and our walk... Follow Dr. Jeremiah through the book of Acts in a chapter-by-chapter study that will help you understand what it meant to the people at the time it was written, and what it means to Christians today. The *Jeremiah Bible Study Series* captures Dr. David Jeremiah's forty-plus years of commitment in teaching the Word of God. In each study, you'll gain insights into the text, identify key stories and themes, and be challenged to apply the truths you uncover to your life. By the end of each study, you'll come away with a clear and memorable understanding of that Bible book. Join us for ACTS: The Birth of the Church Study group will meet Mondays beginning Sept 9th at 10am. Books available outside of the FUMC Fellowship hall. For more information see Tami Rehbein.



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