

THE WEEK – Beginning July 3, 2022

Today

8:45 Worship
9:00 “First Church on the Air”
(KCOB Radio 95.9 FM/1280 AM)
10:00 Park Centre Worship
10:15 Fellowship Time (Dining Room)

Monday

Independence Day – Office Closed

Wednesday

9:00 Staff Meeting

Thursday

7:00 Crochet Class

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: **Jul 3rd** – Grant Osby; **4th** – Dorothy Sherratt; **5th** – Robert Eldred, Lori Hildebrand, Bruce Yeager; **6th** – Linda Gullett; **7th** – Parker Hammons, Wilma Kirkman, Kevin Korte; **8th** – Dean DeHaai, Allison Graham, Betty Newel, Jeff Osby; **9th** – Marv Bunse

THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: **Jul 7th** – Steve & Tina Antle; **9th** – Steve & Bonnie Herrin, Rev. Gary & Jan Marzolf, Matt & Abby Miller

OFFICIARY

Pastor – Paul Smith
Financial Secretary – Dorothy McFarling
Director of Music & Worship Arts – Rachel Faidley
Organist – Jean Ibbotson; Park Centre Pianist – Rachel Faidley
Technical Engineers – Koni Bunse, Projection; Marv Bunse, Sound;
Karter Prellwitz-Liebhart, Videographer

Administrative Assistant – Joy Osborn-Daniels
Coordinator of Lay Ministries – Mel Wilson
Custodian – Kraig Holubar
Lay Leaders – Ron Carpenter and Sandy Davis

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**“Reaching Up, Reaching In, Reaching Out,
Making Connections through Jesus Christ within Our Community and World.”**

July 3, 2022

8:45 AM

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Service of Praise and Worship

THE GATHERING

Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

The Prelude

Jean Ibbotson

Call to Worship

Jane Hollander

Leader: Dear Lord, we most humbly beg you to give us grace
not only to be hearers of the Word, but doers also of the same;

People: Not only to love, but also to live your gospel;

Leader: Not only to favor, but also to follow your godly doctrine;

**People: Not only to profess, but also to practice your blessed
commandments,**

All: To the honor of your holy name, and the health of our souls. Amen

—Adapted from Thomas Becon (1511-1567), early English Reformer

PRAVERS AND PRAISE

In Songs of Praise

“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me” (The Faith We Sing #2153)

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

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"I Surrender All" (UMH #354, vs 1)

All to Jesus I surrender; all to him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust him, in his presence daily live.

{Chorus}

I surrender all, I surrender all, all to thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

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"Gentle Shepherd"

Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, for we need you to help us find our way.
Gentle Shepherd, come and feed us, for we need your strength from day to day.
There's no other we can turn to who can help us face another day;
Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, for we need you to help us find our way.

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*Hymn of Praise 2237 "As a Fire Is Meant for Burning" (The Faith We Sing)

As a fire is meant for burning with a bright and warming flame,
So the church is meant for mission, giving glory to God's name.
Not to preach our creeds or customs, but to build a bridge of care,
We join hands across the nations, finding neighbors everywhere.

We are learners; we are teachers; we are pilgrims on the way.
We are seekers; we are givers; we are vessels made of clay.
By our gentle, loving actions we would show that Christ is light.
In a humble, listening Spirit we would live to God's delight.

As a green bud in the springtime is a sign of life renewed,
So may we be signs of oneness 'mid earth's peoples, many hued.
As a rainbow lights the heavens when a storm is past and gone,
May our lives reflect the radiance of God's new and glorious dawn.

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The Scripture Reading – Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 (NRSV – Pew Bibles NT pages 66, 67)

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'"

PRAYER REQUESTS

Thanksgiving to God for...

All God's blessings
Family & Friends

Guests & Visitors
Good Health

New Beginnings
All Volunteers

God's Guidance & Direction for...

People Unemployed/Economic/
Housing Struggles
Natural Disaster Recovery
All Who Are Grieving

World Peace
Local, State & National Leaders
Sunday School Teachers/Leaders
School Students/Teachers

God's Protection & Safety for...

Those in the Military
Kevin Ehresman
Dylan Drew

Those in Mission Work
Cherie Miner
Dr. Emmanuel & Florence Mefor
Lynn & Sharon Fogleman
Rev. Doug Williams
Jane Kies

Those Protecting Us
Law Enforcement
Firefighters
EMTs

Those Who Mourn...

Those in Care Facilities...

Betty Ashby
Pam Conklin
Andy Jackson
Marilyn Langmaid

Helen Newton
Rita Skinner
Phyllis Snook
Elsie Ulland

Judy Wittenberg
Teresa Yeager
Phyllis Yeutsy

Healing & Health Concerns...

Sue Antle
Dori Byers
Steve Dailey
Martie DeBoef
Cash Dickerson
Nick Dreyer
Mackenzie Eldred

Paul Frohardt
Jody Gooch
Wilma Grout
Jill Hoffman
Vicky Holmquist
Jean Ibbotson
Sylvie Miller

Wilma Mott
Connie Myers
Sally Rorabaugh
Merna Rusk
Rev. Janna Steed
Theresa Stewart
Steve Thomassen

PLEASE NOTE: If you have a prayer request or know of a change and want it reflected in the bulletin, please call the church office at 792-4648. Please keep us updated and let us know when you would like to be removed from the prayer list.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP TIME will resume this morning in the church dining room immediately following worship. It has been some time since we've been able to socialize with one another and this is a most welcome return!

THE MISSION MARKET is now open in the narthex. As produce becomes available, you're welcome to share items and/or wrapped baked goods and craft items as well! All money will go to mission efforts. If you have any questions, please contact Mel Wilson.

IF YOUR SCHEDULE keeps you from attending worship, join our live-streamed worship services, devotions, and past services by visiting our website at newtonfirst.org.

UMW NUT ORDERS can still be placed online until the end of 2022 by going to <https://fumcnewton.terri.lynn.com> and order directly. Shipping remains free for orders over \$30 through the online store. Thanks to all for your continued support.

AS A REMINDER, if you are unable to join us in worship, please send your offering to the church office at 210 N 2nd Ave E, Newton IA 50208. Online giving is also available for donations to First United Methodist Church. This can be done by going to the church's website (newtonfirst.org) and selecting the "Give" tab. Your continued financial support is greatly appreciated.

DURING JUNE, JULY, AND AUGUST, United Women in Faith have planned a summer mission project to provide needed items for Discover Hope. Lists of their needs will be placed on the table in the narthex and a container will be provided for the items (non-perishable items only). They provide free meals and other services daily for people in need. At the end of each month, or sooner if the need arises, we will deliver the items to them.

NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS is collecting items needed by school teachers and school nurses, which the school budgets typically do not cover, yet many families cannot afford to provide for their children. Collection will take place during the summer and delivered to the schools in August before school opens. Please find a box in the narthex for contributions from FUMC.

FUMC IS SCHEDULED to sponsor a meal at Trinity Methodist Church on Friday, July 29th. Trinity is serving sack suppers through the end of the year. FUMC is collecting money to purchase the food. Your contributions are greatly appreciated; please make your check out to FUMC and note Trinity on your check memo. Thank you for your help with this ministry.

"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The Scripture Reading – Galatians 6:1-16 (NRSV – Pew Bibles NT page 180)

My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads. Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

Prayers of the People

Call to Prayer 2200 "O Lord, Hear My Prayer" (The Faith We Sing x2)

O LORD, hear my prayer. O LORD, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.

O LORD, hear my prayer. O LORD, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

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*Congregational Prayer – **Behold, Lord, empty vessels that need to be filled. Lord, fill them. We are weak in the faith; strengthen us. We are cold in love; warm us and make us fervent that our love may go out to our neighbors. We may not have a strong and firm faith; at times we doubt and are unable to trust you altogether. O Lord, help us. Strengthen our faith and trust in you. Amen***
—Martin Luther

Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

In Children's Time

Hymn 349 "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace.

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Children's Message

Offertory Scripture – Psalm 30:11-12 (NRSV – Pew Bibles OT page 478)

You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth
and clothed me with joy, so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.

O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

In the Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Grace Flows Down with Grace Greater Than Our Sin" arr. E. Hogan
Terry & Rachel Faidley, duet

The Doxology 95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Dedication of Gifts

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

The Scripture Reading – 2 Kings 5:1-14 (NRSV – Pew Bibles OT pages 320-321)

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. And the king of Aram said, "Go, then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel." He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan,

Don't ever feel discouraged, for Jesus is your friend,
And if you look for knowledge he'll ne'er refuse to lend.
{Chorus}

If you can't preach like Peter, if you can't pray like Paul,
Just tell the love of Jesus, and say he died for all.
{Chorus}

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*The Benediction

*The Benediction Response 389 "Freely, Freely" (Refrain Only)

He said, "Freely, freely you have received, freely, freely give.
Go in my name, and because you believe,
Others will know that I live."

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*The Postlude

*Those who are able are invited to stand.

Jean Ibbotson

WELCOME TO WORSHIP in Jesus' name. As we pray that God bless America, may the whole world know God's goodness and live in peace and love.

USHERS: Calvin Holmquist, Shawn McFarling, Fred Chabot, Judy Chabot

OPENING & CLOSING CHURCH: Greg & Rhonda Loder and Jerry & Betty Yates

VAN ASSISTANT: Rhonda Loder; VAN DRIVER: Greg Loder; VAN MAINTENANCE (July): Greg Loder

GREETERS: Margie Loupee, north door; Pat Riemenschneider, south door; Mary Ann Reisetter, west door

PLEASE NOTIFY PASTOR PAUL or the church office if you or a family member is admitted to a hospital.

THIS WEEK'S RADIO BROADCAST on KCOB is sponsored by Patty Dykstra.

THE JULY MESSENGER can be picked up in the Welcome Center or the church office during regular business hours.

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People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. In the beginning your Spirit moved over the face of the waters. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.

When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. Your Spirit came upon prophets and teachers, anointing them to speak your Word. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.***

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. At his baptism in the Jordan your Spirit descended upon him and declared him your beloved Son. With your Spirit upon him he turned away the temptations of sin. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people.

He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection, you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, baptizing us with the Holy Spirit and with fire, as on the Day of Pentecost.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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On the day you raised him from the dead he was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of the bread, and in the power of your Holy Spirit your Church has continued in the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup.

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood and empowered by the gifts of the Spirit.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, showing forth the fruit of the Spirit until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

(You are invited to come forward for Communion and then return to your pew. You may kneel for prayer if you desire to do so. To-go elements are available in the narthex if you so desire.)

Prayer after Communion

Pastor: Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us.

People: Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others.

Pastor: In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen

SENDING FORTH

**In Song 375 "There Is a Balm in Gilead"*

{Chorus}

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