# OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY AND SERVICE

# Sunday, July 14 – 21

**Sunday:** 8:30 AM - “The United Methodist Hour” on KYNT 1450 AM Radio is sponsored

 by Delores Kafka & Carol Becker in memory of Naomi Somer.

 8:45 AM - Women’s Bible Study

 10 AM - Worship

**Monday:** 7:45 PM - Narcotics Anonymous, Upper Room

**Tuesday**: 7 AM - God Winks Circle at Fryn’ Pan

 Noon - Lunch Study, room 203 & 205

 1:00 PM - Quilting, room 208

 4 to 6 PM - Loads of Love

 7:45 PM - Narcotics Anonymous, Upper Room

 **Wednesday:** 8:30 AM - Prayer Time, Lounge

 7:45 PM - Narcotics Anonymous, Upper Room

**Thursday: 7 AM - Men’s Breakfast at Fryn’ Pan**

 Noon - Bulletin information due in the church office

 6:30 PM - Women’s Night Out

**Friday:** - Pastor Katie’s day off

 7:45 PM - Narcotics Anonymous, Upper Room

**Saturday:** 7:45 PM - Narcotics Anonymous, Upper Room

**Next Sunday:** 8:45 AM - Women’s Bible Study

 10 AM - Worship

**In Our Thoughts and Prayers:**

 Laurie Baily who was diagnosed with breast cancer.

 Diane Kisch’s niece Kate, who started chemo for breast cancer.

 Connie Pruitt (Shirley Root's sister)

 Prayers for Doug Baily, Caitlin Jensen, Dawn Kabella, Katheryn Hickey

Church family serving in the military: all men & women serving in the military and their families. (*If you have prayer requests for publication, please contact the church office.)*

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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July 14, 2024

 Worship Service: 10:00 A.M.

*Our Vision: "To be a church of hope, healing, and belonging that loves and serves all through Christ our Lord."*

 **Prelude**

**Welcome** (Please fill out the Ritual of Friendship book)

**\*Call To Worship**

L: We are called to follow Jesus.

**P: But following Jesus isn’t easy.**

L: No. It will demand our dedication and our energy.

**P: It will change our whole lives.**

L: Come, all of you. Come and learn of the Lord Jesus.

**P: Lord, we come, seeking your wisdom and your guidance. AMEN.**

**\*Opening Song** This Is My Father’s World UMH #144

**\*God Moments**

**Hymn** As the Deer FWS #2025

**Prayer/Lord’s Prayer**

**Children’s Message** Where Children Belong FWS #2233

**\*Offering**  Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH #95

Gracious God, thank you for your abundant generosity. As we give today, open our hearts to be more generous, reflecting your love. Bless these offerings to further your kingdom, and bless us as cheerful givers. Amen.

 **Scripture** Matthew 25:14-30

**Sermon** Jesus in Unexpected Place: The Parable of the Talents Pastor Katie

**\*Closing Hymn** I Have Decided to Follow JesusFWS #2129

**\*Benediction**

 **\*Postlude**

\*Indicates Congregation stand if you are comfortable doing so. Large print hymnals and bulletins are available, as are hearing devices. Please ask an usher for assistance. Nursery room available.

**KYNT Sponsors Needed** There are dates available: The sign-up sheets are in the KYNT binder in the Church Lounge, or you can call/email the church office. The Cost is $45. This ministry helps connect and reach those who are homebound or nursing home residents who may not be able to attend worship service. Please consider supporting this important ministry.

If you are new to FUMC and visiting with us, we would like to say, “Thank you for your presence!” If you have not already filled out a Welcome/Visitor Card with one of our greeters at the door please find one located in the back of your pew, fill out, and place in the offering plate. Have a blessed day.

**Immediate Openings** For the following positions which may be paid or volunteer: Coordinator of Children's Ministry, Kids Hope USA Director, and Technology Coordinator. Applications may be found on the First UMC website under forms or available in the Church office. Submit applications to any member of SPPR (Susan Schavee, Karen Miller, Tammi Downs) or submit them to the church office. Please consider being a part of the First United Methodist staff to further our mission to our children and to the church family. Job descriptions will be available. If a paid position, salary, and hours will depend upon qualifications and experience.

**Weekly Watchers for Community Garden Needed** Signup up for a week at a time. Check garden daily for watering and weeding, plots #69 & #70 (between the two cross and flame signs). Disconnect hose when done. There is a signup sheet on the Missions table. If you have questions, please call Marilyn Elwood (402) 992-4377.

**VBS 2024 - God's Love is Everywhere: August 8th-11th**

@ Riverside Park

Thursday, August 8th: 5:30-8:30pm

Friday, August 9th: 5:30-8:30pm

Saturday, August 10th: 8:30-11:30am

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00am

Register your kiddos at <http://tiny.cc/GodisEverywhere> or using the QR Code

We will need shepherds all three days and will also need help preparing and serving supper on Friday, August 9th. Please contact Tiffany if you are available to help with any of this.

**VBS Food Donations** We are collecting donations for hot dogs, hot dog buns, individual chip bags, ice cream cups, small paper cups, plastic spoons, and paper plates. Please have to church by August 1st!

**The Care Casserole freezer is full!** New offerings are Tuna Noodle Casserole and TexMex Rice Casserole (not spicy). Remember these are in microwaveable containers or contents may be transferred to an oven safe container for warming through. The dishes may be returned to be recycled. Please take one or more for yourself, a new mom, someone with an illness or death in the family, or just because you or someone else needs a break. Please give any feedback to the Care Casserole team: Gena Brandt, Marilyn Ellwood, Lydia Giziewski, Karen Miller, or Susan Schavee. Thanks, congregation, for your support.

**Calling all Walkers** I know many of you like to get out and walk during the summer months. Some of you walk in your neighborhood, some do water walking at the pool, some go to various parks in town or out by the lake, many like to walk the Meridian Bridge. No matter your path I’d like to encourage you to make it a prayer time. I am asking for “walkers” to contact me and I would like to join you and pray with you for whatever God lays on our hearts. My hope is that once you experience prayer walking, you will be led to make it a regular part of your spiritual journey. I am no expert by any means but am eager to pass on a practice that can be a blessing to you and our community. And, by the way, it is as easy as it sounds: walking, being in the moment, and praying! Marilyn Elwood 402-992-4377

**Ways to Give**

 FUMC Website VANCO

  

Small Group Starting October 1st:  Christianity 101

Are you new to the church? New to Christianity?  Or are you in need of a refresher of the basics of our faith?  Join Pastor Katie on Sunday mornings before worship for Christianity 101 where we will cover the same content in our confirmation program, but geared toward adults.  Many adults who have mentored during confirmation have commented that they didn't learn the basics or didn't remember learning them.  Here's your chance!  All are welcome!