# OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY AND SERVICE

# Sunday, February 9 – 16

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

by Linda Fox in memory of her son Carl’s birthday. (Happy Heavenly Birthday)

8:00 AM - Disciples Fast Track, room 203 & 205

8:45 AM - Women’s Bible Study, Upper Room

10 AM - Worship

11 AM - Coffee Fellowship, Lounge

7:45 PM - Narcotics Anonymous, Upper Room

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

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

9:00 AM - Home School Group

Noon - Lunch Study, room 203 & 205

1:00 PM - Quilter’s, room 208

6:30 PM - Men’s Night Out

7:45 PM - Narcotics Anonymous, Upper Room

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

5:00 PM - Youth Bell Choir (3rd grade & up)

5:30 PM - 605 – supper will be served (Preschool – 6th grade)

5:45 PM - Confirmation (7th – 9th grade) Room 203 & 205

6:00 PM - Jubilee Bells, Room 207

7:00 PM - Youth Group (7th – 12th Grade)

7:45 PM - Narcotics Anonymous, Upper Room

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

Noon - Bulletin information due in the church office

4:15 PM - Chancel Choir, Sanctuary

**Friday:** - Pastor Katie’s day off

7:45 PM - Narcotics Anonymous, Upper Room

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

**Next Sunday:** 8:00 AM - Disciple Fast Track New Testament

8:45 AM - Women’s Bible Study, Upper Room

10 AM - Worship

11 AM - Coffee Fellowship, Lounge

7:45 PM - Narcotics Anonymous, Upper Room

**In Our Thoughts and Prayers:**

Allison Spak’s granddaughter Mercy, Russ & Mary Peirce, Sue Strasburg, Doug Baily, Caitlin Jen sen, Dawn Kabella, Kate Patrick (Diane Kisch’s niece), Connie Pruitt (Shirley Root's sister) 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.)*

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February 9, 2025

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** Holy, Holy, Holy Youth Bells

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

**Anthem** Canon Jubilee Bells

**\*Call To Worship**

L: God has gathered us to this place,

**C: where we hear those stories which show us what the kingdom of**

**God is like.**

L: God summons us to this place,

**C: where we can learn how to serve our God without reservation, or hesitation.**

L: God will send us from this place, to tell others of

**C: God's hopes and dreams, so they, too, can choose to follow God.**

**\*Opening Hymn** Be Thou My Vision UMH #451

**\*God Moments**

**Song** Open Our Eyes FWS #2086

**Prayer/Lord’s Prayer**

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

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

Gracious God, you are the giver and provider of all things. We give thanks for

who you are and what you have given. We ask that this offering would honor

your name. Amen.

**Scripture**  Matthew 25:31-45

**Sermon** Seeing Jesus Today Pastor Katie

**\*Closing Hymn**  Open My Eyes, That I May See UMH #454

**\*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.

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 Ritual of Friendship Book, fill out, and place in the offering plate. Have a blessed day.

# United Women of Faith (UMW) booklets are available on the shelf outside the Sanctuary.

**Pastor Book Club** February 24th at 7pm. Struggling with her return to the Christian church after many years away, Kathleen Norris found it was the language of Christianity that most distanced her from faith. Words like "judgment," "faith," "dogma," "salvation," "sinner"—even "Christ"—formed what she called her "scary vocabulary," words that had become so codified or abstract that their meanings were all but impenetrable. She found she had to wrestle with them and make them her own before they could confer their blessings and their grace. Blending history, theology, storytelling, etymology, and memoir, Norris uses these words as a starting point for reflection and offers a moving account of her own gradual conversion. She evokes a rich spirituality rooted firmly in the chaos of everyday life—and offers believers and doubters alike an illuminating perspective on how we can embrace ancient traditions and find faith in the contemporary world.

**Loads of Love** Here is the 2025 schedule for Loads of Love. There are signup sheets at the Mission table. We need at least 4 people signup each time, please consider helping. March 18th, April 29th, May 20th, July 15th, July 29th, September 16th, September 30th, November 18th, December 30th.

**Youth Bell Choir** (3rd grade and up) with Jill Wilson, Wednesdays, at 5-5:30pm.

**Love Keeps us warm Blanket Drive** Pathways Shelter is looking for blanket donations to help keep their guests warm and cozy during these cold days. If you are cleaning out/decluttering, please consider donating any blankets that you no longer use. Donations can be dropped off at the Missions table in the laundry basket by February 14th.

**Our Care Casserole freezer is full again!** Cheddar Cheese Ham and Potato Soup, Cheeseburger and Macaroni Soup, and Turkey and Dressing with vegetables. To date, over 800 casseroles have been provided for the congregation's use for friends, family, and those who need a meal prepared and given with love. Thanks to those who have given feedback, donations, and thank you notes.

# Tuesday Lunch Study Tuesday Lunch Tuesdays at noon in room 203 & 205. We will be doing a video series by Amy Jill Levine called, “Difficult Words of Jesus.” Join us for this very interesting and challenging video study! No reading required. All are welcome!

**Care Casserole** If you’d like the ingredients to any of the casseroles, please contact the care casserole team.

**Salsa sales TODAY!**

This is a fundraiser for the Angel Fund, which helps pay for school lunch for families who are needing a little help in our community. This salsa is made from ingredients grown in our community church garden and is made with lots of love. Come grab one because our supply is a little short this year.

**Ways to Give**

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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!