



Winterset-Patterson  *April, 2018*
United Methodist Messenger

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Vision Statement: *We seek to be a people who experience the transforming power of Jesus Christ and passionately desire to:*

** Learn what Christ teaches*

** Live as Christ lives*

** Love as Christ loves*

So that, the world can experience the Kingdom Of God!

Mission Statement: *The making of disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.*

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Psalm 39:7 “And now, O Lord, what do I wait for? My hope is in you. .”

Hope is a necessary component of successful living. Hope leads us forward and keeps us on track to the better. Hope is the cutting edge of Christian discipleship. The world does not treat hope well, as hopeful people are not as easily ensnared by its temptations as despairing people are. For this reason, every authentic Gospel fellowship must be a nurturer and a cultivator of hope. That is a core element to a congregation's mission and purpose.

Of all of life's aspirations, I can think of none better than is promoted by the hope in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. To be part of God's company now and forever is the hope of a Christian believer. It is not just a spiritual whim. It is a reality brought about by the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. The Resurrection of Jesus is both the pinnacle and the foundation of our hope. If you believe in Jesus, in who He is and what He is about, you have hope. Simple as that. Now, you may unpack that hope! Towards that purpose, the Sunday afternoon class that I have been teaching enters its final section and it is all about hope.

N.T. Wright is currently the greatest New Testament scholar in the world. Beginning on Sunday, April 8, while we are still basking in Easter, it is a fine time to begin working with Wright's *Surprised By Hope*. Those who interested may read the book. But for class purposes, we will be concerned with the accompanying DVD to guide our conversation.

We have had so much hopeful conversation in recent weeks about the future of First United Methodist Church and Patterson United Methodist Church that I believe that this will be the perfect theological conclusion to my interim ministry at this charge.

I hope to see you there!

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Ron

Giving and Attendance

2018 Membership Report -January 1 - March 20, 2018

Winterset:

Professing Members:
Received by Confirmation:
Removed by Transfer to Other United Methodist Churches: 1
Removed by Death: 3
302 Professing Members - 182 females; 120 males
Baptized Members:
Received: 0
Removed: Baptized Members

Funerals: 3

Patterson:

Received from other United Methodist Church: 1
43 Professing Members - 28 females; 15 males
Average Sunday worship attendance through February: 13

Average Attendance for Winterset First United Methodist Church

The average attendance of members from the dates of January 2018 through present day is 57 members.



The church is having a spring clean up day on Saturday April 14th from 9am to 12pm. If you would like to volunteer to help please come to the church around 9am. We are going to be cleaning the church, and do a little fix up projects. You can call Jennifer in the church office for more details or if you would like to sign up to volunteer at 515-462-2912.



5:00-6:15 pm—Join us each Wednesday for supper.

We will meet at the church rain or heat or pleasant weather so you know where the meal will be each week. The Menu will vary each week. However, bring a salad or something to share, if able.

Food Pantry

We are still in need of volunteers for the food pantry. The food pantry is held on the 4th Monday of every month. Volunteers may email Jennifer Umbaugh, Susan Henry, or Kathy Fay if you plan to volunteer on Food Pantry day. Also, if you would like to volunteer you may call the church office at 515-462-2912 and speak with Jennifer. Unloading the truck and setting up is from about 2:30-4:00 pm. The pantry is from 4:30-6:30 and a short time after for straightening up.

What a difference you make in our community!

The Food Bank of Iowa is a private, charitable, not-for-profit organization committed to our mission of alleviating hunger through food distribution, partnership and education. The First United Methodist Church of Winterset is partnering with the Food Bank to provide a monthly food assistance program. The Food Bank delivers fresh produce, protein and non-perishables and we distribute the food. The Food Pantry will be held in the church lobby & fellowship hall on the **fourth Monday of each month from 4:30-6:30 pm. This is open to anyone so please let others know.** You do not have to be a Madison County resident. Please enter the east door of the church and sign in with your name, household size, zip code/county and self-declare your income eligibility. You do not have to bring or show any income papers. Please bring boxes to put your food in to carry home. **The next Food Pantry is Monday, April 23 at 4:30**





SEWING ANGELS
 Join us for all or part of the day on Mondays, April 2nd, 9th, 16th, & 23rd, & 30th. Contact Lou Scholtens, 462-1566, for additional information



FOOD BASKET SUNDAY IS FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH - Your non-perishable donations may be dropped off in the basket in the church lobby and will be used by those in need stopping by the church. Suggestions include canned and boxed foods, toilet paper, Kleenex, laundry detergent, paper towels, household cleaners, diapers of all sizes and pet food. Monetary donations are appreciated also. To donate to the church L.I.F.E. fund, write your check out to the church and write "LIFE Fund" in the memo portion of your check. The church's L.I.F.E. fund offers support to people of all ages with food, rent, utilities and other forms of assistance.



Crisp would like to thank the community for their generous giving but at this time is asking the community to refrain from donating clothing and coats at this time and for at least the next few months (except upon request for possibly certain sizes at some point.

Please still consider donating to other nonprofit organizations such as Matura Multipurpose Center 515-462-4704, the Winterset Barter 515-330-8126, or the Crisis Intervention & Advocacy Center at 515-993-4095

The items listed below are items that CRISP can still accept and are in need of:

- Tennis Shoes (especially larger sizes such as Teens and Tweens)
- Snow Pants tween and teen sizes (not baby or toddler sizes)
- Snow boots for elementary and older children sizes (NOT baby or Toddler sizes)
- Coats: XL and XXL for larger children (no other sizes needed)
- Jeans: Large, XL, and XXL women's and men's jeans for larger children
- Black pants: L, XL, and XXL women's and mens for larger kids (for band/choir)
- Black shoes: larger sizes for tweens and teens for band/choir
- Diapers & Pull Ups (except newborn as there are enough of those)
- Toilet paper for CRISP families
- Paper towels for CRIPS families

Bidwell Riverside uses Labels for Education to earn free items for their mission to those in poverty. *Only items with a Label for Education logo will be accepted.*



Donate your previous copies of the Upper Rooms and Guideposts devotionals to Bidwell Riverside.



The Ronald McDonald House uses the funds they receive from recycling aluminum pop tabs to help pay for families' overnight stays at the House.

Donate your old cell phones & chargers to Crisis Intervention & Advocacy Center.



That pair of glasses you no longer use can change another person's life. Eyeglasses will be donated to the Lions Club.

Drop your donations for these projects in the containers in the church library.

Your donations of pop cans and pop bottles of all sizes help provide camperships for the children in our church family. A box is in the lobby by the elevator and also by the pop machine in fellowship hall for your pop can and pop bottle donations.



First United Methodist Church
Administrative Council Meeting Minutes
March 18, 2018

Call to Order: Bob Rhoads started the meeting at 6:35 p.m.; Pastor Ron led the group in prayer

Approval of Minutes: An omission from the February minutes was the approval to purchase a camera to show the pulpit area & children's sermons on the large screens and to use Wayne Kile's memorial funds.

Bev Rhoads made a motion to approve the February minutes with this addition. Deb Williams seconded, and the motion carried.

Old Business: Deb Williams will take the lead, and enlist help as necessary, to purchase a camera and set it up.

City-wide quilt show: A city-wide quilt show will be held on Saturday, April 28, with the holiday hop churches participating. Quilts will be displayed in the sanctuary over the back of the pews, and some sewing/quilting items will be offered for sale. A luncheon will be served with the proceeds going to the general budget. Phyllis Kaldenberg and Lou Scholtens, with help from the Sewing Angels, will coordinate the activities at the church.

George Morris Memorial: George Morris' family provided permission to use the memorial money (\$715) to purchase new chairs for the library. Randy Gust will look into ordering them.

Finance: Kathy Fay provided copies of the Balance Sheet as of March 18, 2018. We are short approximately \$2,000-\$3,000 per month to cover expenses. We will continue to borrow from designated funds as needed. USB designated funds is down to \$38,000.

Someone from Trustees and SPPRC should attend the monthly finance meetings to stay informed of the decisions being made regarding the finances.

Trustees were asked to review the snow removal contract.

SPPRC: Deb Williams said SPPRC met with the new pastor, Pastor Mark Morehouse.

A summarized report of all the conflict transformation meetings is on file in the office.

A group will meet with Jaye Johnson on Sunday, March 25 at 1:00 to continue the Healthy Church initiative and discuss a way forward to help improve the communications within the church.

Missions: Bev Rhoads said only the cleaning, hygiene and school kits will be put together this year for the ingathering. Bev will put a list of items needed for each kit in the newsletter and bulletins.

Other Business: There will not be an Easter breakfast this year.

Deb Williams volunteered to organize a spring cleaning day at the church on April 14

Pastor Ron's Report: The conference is going through some reorganization regarding deployment of the Field Outreach Ministers. Jay Johnson will continue to work with us until further notice. He will meet with a group on March 25.

Met with Pastor Morehouse and gave him a tour of the parsonage.

Pastor Ron will transition out of the parsonage in time for the Trustees to clean it.

Men's group activities:

- Recently showed the movie *Woodlawn*; 20 attendees
- Repaint the Labyrinth
- Revive the PET project

The Sunday afternoon class finished the *Living our Beliefs* book; showed a DBD today of a sermon from Lutheran Church of Hope. Will start *Surprise by Hope* study on April 8.

April 23-26– will be attending a continue education even for Civil Air Patrol

June 10– will be attending Annual Conference; Bob Rhoads will preach that Sunday.

Nest Meeting: April 15, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m., and the meeting was closed with a prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sharon Koehler, Recording Secretary



On April 28th, there will be quilts displayed all around Winterset and even out into the countryside. Quilts displayed in local businesses, inside and outside of the Court House, several homes to tour with quilt displays, quilts on Covered Bridges and quilts in local churches. All of this “Airing of the Quilts” is a fund raiser for our local Iowa Quilt Museum.

How does this affect our church? The churches that participate in the yearly Holiday Hop are being asked to display quilts over their church's pews-”airing” quilts inside, out of the weather. A \$20.00 wristband (sold at the Iowa Quilt Museum) will admit people to the churches, the home tours, the Iowa Quilt Museum and the Madison County Historical Complex.

Our church will also use this opportunity to raise some money for ourselves. A very large donation was made to our Sewing Angels group and though there is lots of fabric that the group will be able to use, there are things we can not. So, on this day, we will be having a Quilt Garage Sale. We have completed quilts (some are very old), quilt tops that need to be quilted, quilt blocks, some needle work, and fabric. The monies from this sale will be funneled back to the sewing group for some of their needs and the remains to the church budget. We will also be serving a Sloppy Joe lunch.

The Iowa Quilt Museum will also host some nationally known quilters that day. There will be a cocktail reception in the late afternoon, followed by a dinner and quilt auction in the evening. There will be lots of advertising of this quilt day so you will be able to read more about it in the newspapers and in posters around town.

Kitchen Supplies

We are missing the inserts of two large oven roasters and one large stainless steel skillet. These are needed for Wednesday night suppers and other large gatherings. If you have borrowed any of these items, please return them as soon as possible to our church kitchen. There is a sign out notebook on the counter by the calendar. If you borrow something please sign your name and what you are borrowing so it is easier for us to keep track of our kitchen equipment.



Patterson-



Worship

Service— 9:00 a.m. Sunday mornings

After church Sunday Brunch— Sunday, March 4th.



Birthday and anniversary congratulations to those who Celebrate in April

Winterset-



No known hospitalizations at this time



We extend our Love and Sympathy to the families and friends of -

Families of Treva Patterson, December 15, 2017 and Families of Rolland Jamison, December 15, 2017, also Family and friends of Betty Leeper and Shirley Wildin



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United Methodist Women will be meeting on April 9th with Sewing Angels, Lou Scholtens, Chr. The program this month is Furniture ministry with Jim and Pat Nelson
Hostesses: Carol Darnall & Twyla Jackson



Your Staff/Pastor-Parish Relations Committee (SPPRC) is here to focus on helping build strong relationships between staff and congregation; congregation and district superintendent. If you have praise or a concern regarding any of these relations, we strongly encourage you to contact one of us. Your SPPRC members are: Terra Kinney, Charlotte Gordon, Vicki Jackson, Daryl Johnson, Terry Wetzel, & Debra Williams, Chairperson. Deb Williams can be contacted at 515-491-8538. If she is not available, please leave a message and she will return your call as soon as possible. Thank you.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Easter Sunday 	2 Sewing angels 9-5	3	4 11:00 Staff meeting 5:00-6:15 Wednesday Supper 6:00 Sign Lang. class 6:00 Handbell choir practice 7-8 Chancel choir practice	5 Wanna bees weight loss Group 8-10 am Finance @ 7	6 	7
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Wednesday Music Schedule—Vocal and Hand Bell Choirs
 Join us Wednesdays in April

Prayer Chain Requests—Call Jennifer Umbaugh at the church office, 462-2912.

Sunday Morning Worship Services
 Patterson—9:00 a.m. Worship Service
 10:00 a.m. After Church Brunch—1st Sunday of month
 Winterset—9:00 –10:00 a.m. Sunday School— Unity Adult Class;
 Junior High & High School Class led by Nancy Ruby
 10:00 am Welcome Coffee
 10:30 am Worship Service
 Ages 3-4th Grades Sunday School-mid-service
 10:00-11:30 a.m. Nursery Available
 Church van is available to pick persons up for service.
 Call Pauline Jones, 462-9147
 Valet service available at front doors of church.