



Winterset-Patterson



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## 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.



Dear Winterset First & Patterson UMC

I am writing this newsletter from Leawood, Kansas as I am attending course of study this week. The classes are great.

I have officially been on the job now for 3 weeks. We have had some great services. I sincerely appreciate the name tags as I am currently not as good with names as I used to be. So, I am apologizing in advance if I have to ask your name more than once. I am certainly amazed at some of the wonderful things you all do in the church. The community dinner, food bank, the choir, the sound and media, the worship team and awesome music. Vacation bible school was this last week and I really am sorry I had to miss it. It looked like everyone was having fun. My staff is excellent and I so much appreciate them. Also, the congregational care teams that go out two by two to visit folks in the hospital, nursing homes, and the home bound.

One of the classes that I am taking is "Mission". I would like to share just a little about the class. It is about God's mission in the world. In other words. God's story and the story of God's people. These classes need to have some practical application to our local church setting. I would like to explain a couple things about God's mission. When we talk about missions we immediately think about taking a trip to some foreign country to help with a much-needed project. Missions is actually the activities that God's people do within the Mission. Winterset and Patterson are our Mission. Those activities I described earlier are actually mission activities that serve God's missions in the Winterset and Patterson area. But if you notice, almost all of those activities except for the congregational care team involve bringing people into our church building.

I would like all of you to consider how we might be able to serve God's mission and help others participate in God's story outside of the church walls I would like to invite all of you into service to the Mission. You can send me a call, email, or text and let me know what God is laying on your heart about taking the church to the neighborhoods.

Blessings to All!!!!!!

Pastor Mark

## Giving and Attendance

2018 Membership Report -January 1 - July 20, 2018

### Winterset:

Professing Members:  
Received by Confirmation:  
Removed by Transfer to  
Other United Methodist  
Churches: 2  
Removed by Death: 5  
302 Professing Members -  
182  
females; 119 males  
Baptized Members:  
Received: 0  
Removed:  
Baptized Members  
  
Funerals: 5

### Patterson:

Received from other Unit-  
ed Methodist Church: 1  
43 Professing Members -  
28 females; 15 males  
Average Sunday worship  
attendance through Present  
day: 10

### Average Attendance for Winterset First United Methodist Church

The average attendance of  
members from the dates of  
January 2018 through pre-  
sent day is 61 members.

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

The UMC food pantry started August, 2016. It is held on the 4th Monday of each month, unless it interferes with a holiday. It was and continues to be successful in helping feed the community because of your tremendous support. The food is donated by the Food Bank of Iowa and our members. We have been serving around 100 households each month.

In recent months we've been averaging about 30 volunteers, who help with unloading, unpacking, displaying, distributing, and cleaning up. We couldn't do this outreach without all of your help. If you have not helped before, you are always welcome. We can use volunteers any time from 2-6:30 pm and it isn't necessary to stay the whole time.

We try to have some food available in the food pantry room for distribution on other days. It is available for those in need whenever the church office is open. It can be given out at other times by contacting Susan.

We appreciate donations of medium sized boxes which can be taken to the church office. Thank you!

Food Pantry Committee:  
Susan Henry, Kathy Fay, Ann Hoadley



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, August 27th.**



**SEWING ANGELS**

Join us for all or part of the day on Mondays, August 6th, 13th, 20th, & 27th. 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.



A message from your Music Director

There is always an open invitation for new members to join the Chancel Choir. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings from 7-8 pm. Open to ages 14 and up. If you would like to join please contact the music director Robin Clarke at 917-459-5889 or just show up.

“Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!”

~Psalm 95:2b



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.



Missions Committee is putting together items for those in need:

### This month's Ingathering Kit: School Kit

#### What is needed:

- 3 notebooks-with spiral, or a pack of loose leaf lined paper 150 sheets or less (no composition books)
- 6 unsharpened pencils– no advertising
- 1 hand held pencil sharpener-1 inch or bigger
- 1 pencil eraser– 2 inches or larger
- 1 ruler-12 inches with metric– hard or flexible
- 1 box of 24 crayons– please only 24 count boxes and must be Crayola only
- 1 pair of round tip scissors- (no plastic scissors)

~Please put these items in a 2 gallon zip lock bag, no cloth bags.~



Please welcome the kids in Winterset back to school August 23rd. We would like to wish each student and teacher a great first day of school and an amazing rest of the year!

**First United Methodist Church  
Administrative Council Meeting Minutes  
July 15, 2018**

**Call to order:** Bob Rhoads called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Pastor Mark led the group in prayer.

**Members Present:** Pastor Mark, Bob Rhoads, Bev Rhoads, Dick Hoadley, Randy Gust, Deb Williams, Richart Tucker, Nancy Ruby, Kathy Fay, Susan Henry

**Approval of Minutes:** April meeting minutes were approval.

**Finance:** Kathy provided balance sheets from July 11. July offerings have improved so that bills can be paid without borrowing from designated funds. The church credit card, which is no longer used, is being cancelled. January-June, 2018, giving statements are being distributed.

Randy shared that stewardship will be the subject of a sermon around October. A part has been ordered too, so that both sanctuary projector screens will be operational.

**Congregational Care:** The list is being updated to ensure that all are receiving visits from a church member.

**Worship:** The organ has some issues. More drivers are needed to transport people to and from services. Pastor Mark explained the new process for handling prayer requests.

**Missions:** There will be a meeting July 19. The ice cream social will be July 27.

**Food Pantry:** Kathy and Susan attended a meeting at the Food Bank of Iowa to learn more about becoming a partner. It was decided to delay this for a few months.

**Other business:** Century Link has been advertising new plans. Deb suggested this be investigated to see if the church can save some money. A phone line for the fax machine could be discontinued as it is no longer used. Pastor Mark will talk to a Century Link representative.

A discussion was held regarding the church van. Pastor Mark suggested it be kept a while longer to see if there would be a need for it. The Council was in agreement.

**Next Meeting:** August 19, 2018, at 6:30 pm.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was closed with a prayer.

Patterson-



Worship Service— 9:00 a.m. Sunday mornings

After church Sunday Brunch— Sunday, August 5th.

Winterset-



No known hospitalizations at this time.



We extend our Love and Sympathy to the families and friends of Treva Patterson, December 15, 2017 and Families of Rolland Jamison, December 15, 2017, also Family and friends of Betty Leeper, Shirley Wildin, Jane Martens and Glenn Frease May 25, 2018



Happy Birthday to those who celebrated in July:

- Vicki Jackson-7/8
- Pastor Mark Morehouse— 7/13
- Donna Pritchard— 7-16
- LaVonne Simon— 7-16
- Ed Scholtens— 7-21
- Lou Scholtens— 7/25

Happy Birthday to those who celebrate in August:

- Fred Gibson-8/14
- Sharon Gibson-8/17

Happy anniversary to those who celebrate in August:

- Fred & Sharon Gibson— 8/12
- Vince & Vicki Jackson-8/3/72

**There will be no July or August meeting for the United Methodist Women. The next meeting is scheduled for September 10th at 1:30pm.**



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.



# AUGUST

| SUNDAY                               | MONDAY   | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY    | SATURDAY  |
|--------------------------------------|--|-----------|---|--|-----------|-----------|
|                                      |  |           | <b>1</b><br>11:00 Staff meeting<br>5:00-6:15 Wednesday Supper<br>6:00 Sign Lang. class<br>6:00 Handbell choir practice<br>7-8 Chancel choir practice  | <b>2</b><br>Wanna bees<br>weight loss<br>Group 8-10 am   | <b>3</b>  | <b>4</b>  |
| <b>5</b>                             | <b>6</b><br>Sewing angels 9-5                          | <b>7</b>  | <b>8</b><br>11:00 Staff meeting<br>5:00-6:15 Wednesday Supper<br>6:00 Sign Lang. class<br>6:00 Handbell choir practice<br>7-8 Chancel choir practice  | <b>9</b><br>Wanna bees<br>weight loss<br>Group 8-10 am<br>Finance @ 7                            | <b>10</b> | <b>11</b> |
| <b>12</b>                            | <b>13</b><br>Sewing angels 9-5<br>7:00 Trustee meeting | <b>14</b> | <b>15</b><br>11:00 Staff meeting<br>5:00-6:15 Wednesday Supper<br>6:00 Sign Lang. class<br>6:00 Handbell choir practice<br>7-8 Chancel choir practice | <b>16</b><br>Wanna bees<br>weight loss<br>Group 8-10 am<br>Patterson family night potluck @ 6:30 | <b>17</b> | <b>18</b> |
| <b>19</b><br>6:30 Ad Council Meeting | <b>20</b><br>Sewing Angels 9-5                         | <b>21</b> | <b>22</b><br>11:00 Staff meeting<br>5:00-6:15 Wednesday Supper<br>6:00 Sign Lang. class<br>6:00 Handbell choir practice<br>7-8 Chancel choir practice | <b>23</b><br>Wanna bees<br>weight loss<br>Group 8-10 am<br>Pastoral interviews 9:30-4:30         | <b>24</b> | <b>25</b> |
| <b>26</b>                            | <b>27</b><br>Sewing Angels 9-5                         | <b>28</b> | <b>29</b><br>11:00 Staff meeting<br>5:00-6:15 Wednesday Supper<br>6:00 Sign Lang. class<br>6:00 Handbell choir practice<br>7-8 Chancel choir practice | <b>30</b><br>Wanna bees<br>weight loss<br>Group 8-10 am<br>WIC 10-7                              | <b>31</b> |           |

**Wednesday Music Schedule—Vocal and Hand Bell Choirs**  
 Join us Wednesdays in July

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**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