



Winterset-Patterson February, 2019 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.



Bible Study Messes with You!

“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.” (Acts 2:42)

Dear Winterset and Patterson Friends,

One of my favorite books is “The Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations”, by Bishop Robert Schnase. In Chapter 3: Intentional Faith Development, Bishop Schnase writes, “Vibrant, fruitful, growing congregations practice Intentional Faith Development. From the first generation of Christians to the earliest Methodists to the youngest generations of faithful members today, the followers of Jesus mature in faith by learning together in community. Churches that practice Intentional Faith Development offer high quality learning experiences that help people understand scripture, faith and life in the supportive nurture of caring relationships. Sunday School classes, Bible studies, short-term topical studies, support groups that apply faith to particular life challenges, children’s church, Vacation Bible School, UMW, camps retreats and youth fellowship are only a few of the countless ways by which churches help people probe God’s will for their lives and for the world, and bring people together to strengthen the body of Christ by building friendships and relationships.¹

You may be thinking, yes Pastor, that is all well and good, but I just don’t have time. My life is so busy and filled with activities for the kids, our Jobs, and the list goes on and on. I have been there and I know exactly what you are going through. I would suggest that just as you need to try and take care of your physical body, it is so important to attend to your spiritual health and well being. A dear friend of mine who is minister’s wife once told me many years ago that people do what they want to do.

Bishop Schnase goes on with his illustration of Intentional Faith Development by writing about a young woman by the name of Carol. Carol joined a United Methodist Church, attended worship and Sunday school, and volunteered with various weeks’ projects and programs of the church. One turning point in Carol and her husband’s faith journey was joining with a Volunteers-In-Mission work project overseas. Then she joined Disciple Bible Study. In the small supportive community of her class, she encountered truths and insights she had been searching for. More than that, she found God calling her to radically change the direction and priorities of her life. She eventually offered herself to full-time Christian Service, changed jobs, and now works as a lay mission coordinator, focused in international ministries. “Bible study messes with your life!” is her good humored but serious way of telling others about her faith journey. Learning in community helps people explore possibilities that God may have for them that they never would have considered on their own.²

You may be thinking that you would like to go higher and deeper in your own faith development but you just don’t know how to go about it. I have a great little book, *Thirty Questions: A Short Catechism on the Christian Faith*. This would be a great way to begin. Give me a call, send me a note, send me a text or e-mail if you would like to begin a new journey in “Intentional Faith Development”.

Blessings! Pastor Mark

P.S. Two great books that I would highly recommend your reading:

Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations by Robert Schnase

Thirty Questions: A Short Catechism on the Christian Faith by Timothy C. Tennent

If you would like to order those books contact the church office.

Bibliography

Schnase, Robert. *Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations*. Nashville, TN: Abingdon Press, 2007.

Giving and Attendance - Winterset

January giving and attendance report

DATE	ATTENDANCE	OFFERINGS
1/6/2019	81	\$4141.88
1/13/2019	60	\$1230.75
1/20/2019	70	\$3871.00
1/27/2019	79	\$1061.00
		Total Income \$10304.63
		Expenses <u>-\$12547.67</u>
		(\$2243.04)



5:00-6:15 pm—Join us each Wednesday for supper. **PLEASE READ NEW UPDATE**
 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. As of January 29, 2019 we have had to make the decision that we will no longer be doing deliveries due to various reasons. Also, during the winter months, if the school cancels due to the weather there will not be any evening activities such as Wednesday night supper. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause some of you.

Food Pantry

Our Food Pantry is blessed to have many dedicated volunteers, many of whom come every month to volunteer.

Those who can't assist on the 4th Mondays can still assist the food pantry by purchasing certain items for the pantry. We also invite all members to contribute. There are some items the Food Bank of Iowa seldom or never has available. One example is rolls of paper towels.

For the month of February, we are asking for donations of paper towels to supplement the other items the clients will receive. The donations may be placed in a box or basked in the church foyer. Thank you!

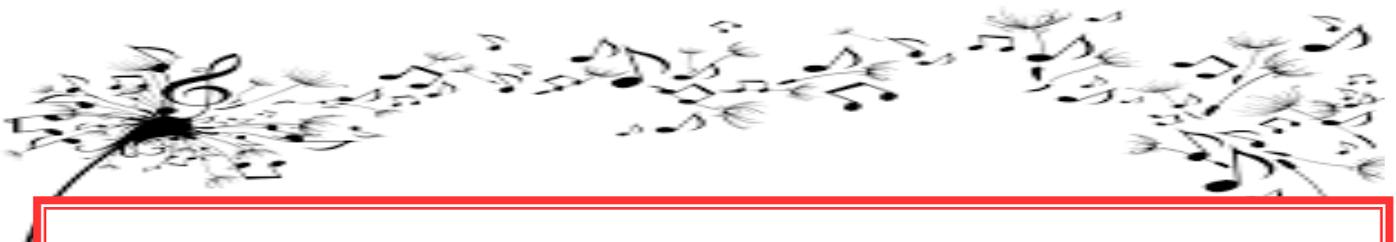


The Food Bank of Iowa is a private, charitable, not-for-profit organization committed to our mission of alleviating hunger through food distribution, partnership and education. The First United Methodist Church of Winterset is partnering with the Food Bank to provide a monthly food assistance program. 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, February 25th.**



SEWING ANGELS

Join us for all or part of the day on Mondays, February 4th, 11th, 18th, & 25th. Contact Lou Scholtens, 462-1566, for additional information



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. Eye-glasses 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.



FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT!!

The Iowa Wild Hockey team has invited The First United Methodist Church to a faith and family night at Wells Fargo arena on March 15th at 7:00 PM. Pastor Mark would like to take our youth to this event. This event is not just limited to the youth, so if you would like to come with your son or daughter please feel free. Tickets are \$16.00 a person. Please call the office and speak with Jennifer or let Pastor Mark know if you are interested in going. We will need all money (cash or check made out to the First United Methodist Church) by February 25th. This will be a great family and faith event and we hope you join us in on the fun!



IOWA WILD EST. 2013 HOCKEY

IOWA WILD FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT WITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH WINTERSSET

FRIDAY, MARCH 15TH | 7 PM

IOWA WILD VS SAN ANTONIO RAMPAGE

\$16 TICKET	100 Level Ends Seating
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Free Hat for Each Group Member!



Post-Game Skate on the Ice!

THE HUNT IS ON

For questions, contact Paul.Growth at 515-564-8739 or paul.growth@iowawild.com

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St. Patrick's Day Dinner



Please come join us for a St. Patrick's Day Dinner being held at The First United Methodist Church in the Fellowship Hall.

When: March 16th

Time: 4:30-6:30 or until food is gone

Dinner: Corn Beef & Cabbage, red potatoes, carrots and Jell-o cake.

Free Pick up's available



Patterson news

January started out with our Sunday Morning Church Brunch on January 6th. We had 21 in attendance. Then on January 17th we had our Family Night Potluck and 19 were in attendance. There was a lot of good food and fellowship at both. On January 12th we had a very uplifting discussion on the Vision we have for our church. There were a lot of good ideas and conversation amongst everyone. February 3rd will be our Sunday Church Brunch which will follow the Church Service and on February 21st we will have our Monthly Family Night Potluck, starting at 6:30 PM. Everyone is Welcome to attend.

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

Call to order: Pastor Mark called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and Pastor Mark led with a prayer.

Approval of Minutes: Bob Kaldenberg made a motion to approve the December 11 special meeting minutes. Daryle Johnson seconded, and the motion carried

Old Business: The lot at Summit and 16th Avenue has been listed with a realtor.

Endowment: Bob Kaldenberg said there is money in the endowment fund for scholarships, and letters will be sent out to high school seniors within the church regarding scholarship application information.

Finance: Kathy Fay provided a balance sheet as of December 31, 2018 and will provide month-end balance sheets in the future so we can view month to month comparisons. December offerings totaled \$17,000 for December 2018. The Stewardship letter that was sent out has brought in some additional funds. Kathy is working on giving statements to have ready by the end of the month. Kathy also provided a list of bills paid and ready to pay for January totaling \$14,881 that will be paid out of General Fund and \$5,095 that will be paid out of USB memorial funds.

Kathy provided a 2018 Profit and Loss report showing a net income of \$6,927. We borrowed approximately \$20,000 from designated funds in 2018.

The 2018 district apportionments were paid.

Missions: Bev Rhoads said the group will need to decide what kits they will work on this year.

Trustees: Bob Rhoads reported some organ repairs have been made and some will be made at a later time. Walls in the church have been painted. Trustees have been asked to investigate a church/building security policy.

Pastor's Report: -Made some hospital calls
-Many activities throughout Christmas were very well attended
-working on year-end reports
-Vacation February 15-21; attending Course of Study February 22-23; Nancy Ruby will preach on Feb 17.
-General Conference is the weekend of February 22-23
-Making progress on 2019 Goals already
-Return the church to a more fiscally sound position
-Explore One church Board model (potluck & workshop on Feb. 3 after Church to start exploring)
-Revitalize Education Team-update safe sanctuary policy; establish Pathway to Discipleship by year-end 2020

Education: Becky Gust presented an updated Safe Sanctuary Policy to SPPRC committee & Ad Council. Anyone who works with children or vulnerable adults should have a background check done every two years. A Social Media section has been added to the policy. We have three Sunday School teachers and usually 11-12 kids who attend Sunday School. Kylie Schaefer is available to run Nursery if needed. Becky will bring this back to the SPPRC the end of February and then to Ad Council for final approval.

Worship: Nancy Ruby reported that Pastor Mark has provided some training to the members so activities will enhance the worship time at church.

Nominations & Leadership Development: The February 3 workshop to explore the One Church Board is open to anyone wanting to attend.

SPPRC: Daryle Johnson said an organizational meeting was held tonight. The committee members are working on the Safe Sanctuary Policy and job descriptions. Annual reviews on Pastor Mark and the staff were positive.

Food Pantry: On average 95 families come to the Food Pantry each month. With the Partnership, we are required to be open two times a month.. The regular Food Pantry day and then 9-11 am the following day. We reached over 2,500 individual in 2018.

The next Food Pantry will be Monday, January 28.

Other: Nancy Ruby is going to start a bulletin board in the hallway leading to the fellowship hall and will post newspaper clippings of our church members.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m. and Bob Rhoads closed the meeting with a prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sharon Koehler,

Recording Secretary



CHURCH FAMILY

Patterson United Methodist Church



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

After church Sunday Brunch— Sunday, January 6th.

Family Night Potluck-Thursday, January 17th.

Winterset First United Methodist Church



Please Come join us each Sunday for service.

Sunday School starts at 9:30 a.m

Worship Service Starts 10:30 a.m.

Free Wednesday Night Suppers at 5:30 p.m.



Happy Birthday to those who celebrate in February:

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| Richard Tucker 2/2 | Trevor Johnson, 2/21 |
| Gwen Wambold 2/3 | Kylee Henderson 2/24 |
| Jennifer Umbaugh 2/11 | Karen Johnson 2/26 |
| Julie Mitchell 2/13 | Maris Snyder 2/28 |
| Mary Hart 2/18 | Daniel Milligan 2/28 |
| Tassie Corwin 2/18 | |

The United Methodist Women will meet Monday February 11th. The program is United Methodist Women Operating w/o Belonging by Mary Morris. Hostesses are Bev Rhoads and Annie Nielsen .





FEBRUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3 Patterson Brunch Single Board Model Potluck immediately after church in Winterset with Jay Johnson	4	5 6-7:30 Sign Language	6 5:00 Wednesday Supper No handbell practice 7-8 Chancel choir practice 6:30 youth	7 Finance @ 7:00 Cub Scout Den Meeting @ 7- Arrow of light ceremony	8	9
10	11 Trustees @ 7:00 Worship Committee meeting at 7:00	12 6-7:30 Sign Language Ad Council @ 7:00 p.m.	13 5:00 Wednesday Supper No handbell practice 7-8 Chancel choir practice 6:30 youth	14 Cub Scout Den Meeting @ 7 Pastor Mark Vacation	15 Pastor Mark Vacation	16 Pastor Mark Vacation
17 Cub Scout Sunday Pastor Mark Vacation	18 Pastor Mark Vacation	19 6-7:30 Sign Language Pastor Mark vacation	20 5:00 Wednesday Supper No handbell practice 7-8 Chancel choir practice No Youth Pastor Mark Vacation	21 Patterson family night potluck @ 6:30 Pastor Mark vacation	22 Pastor Mark Course of study	23 Pastor Mark Course of Study Cub Scout Blue and Gold Banquet
24	25 Mobile Food Pantry @ 4:30	26 6-7:30 Sign Language 6:30 SPPRC	27 5:00 Wednesday Supper No handbell practice 7-8 Chancel choir practice 6:30 youth	28 WIC 10-7		

Wednesday Music Schedule—Vocal and Hand Bell Choirs— No Handbell Practice until further notice.

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