



Winterset-Patterson March, 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.



Dear Winterset First & Patterson UMC Friends,

Lent is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. Lent comes from the Anglo Saxon word *lencten*, which means "spring." The forty days represents the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan and preparing to begin his ministry.

Lent is a time of repentance, fasting and preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-examination and reflection. In the early church, Lent was a time to prepare new converts for baptism. Today, Christians focus on their relationship with God, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of themselves for others. When Becky and I were living in Bethany, the event of the Lenten season was the fish fry at the Catholic Church. It was great food and a wonderful time to visit with people. The menu included fried Pollack fish, tarter sauce, cole slaw, corn bread, cheesy potatoes, and a desert. Hardly a formula for denying yourself.

Sundays in Lent are not counted in the forty days because each Sunday represents a "mini-Easter" and the reverent spirit of Lent is tempered with joyful anticipation of the Resurrection. This year, the Winterset & Patterson churches will worship together for Ash Wednesday-March 6th , 7:00 p.m. at Patterson and Maundy Thursday-April 18th, 7:00 p.m. at Winterset.

Between now and then, I would encourage you to participate in some activity such as a disciplined bible study, or prayer life, to bring you closer to God. We just returned from Phoenix. To me, the desert wilderness was beautiful and had a forlorn quality about it that seemed to be calling to me. The wilderness time can be a beautiful time, but the victory is when you emerge from your wilderness experience.

May God Bless you and Keep you,

Pastor Mark

Giving and Attendance - Winterset

February giving and attendance report

DATE	ATTENDANCE	OFFERINGS
2/3/2019	90	\$3745.00
2/10/2019	50	\$1489.00
2/17/2019	No Church Service/Checks mailed	\$1115.00
2/24/2019	48	\$2756.70

With the winter months our attendance is down. If you would like to give your tithes through an EFT withdrawal monthly or go through your bank with bill payment the office has EFT forms to fill out for 2019. Contact the office with any questions.

Total Income	\$8105.70
2/28 Payroll	(\$3562.66)
Expenses	<u>-\$7955.43</u>
Short income to meet Feb Expenses	(\$3412.39)



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 March, we are asking for donations of toilet paper (**packs of 4 ONLY**) to supplement the other items the clients will receive. The donations may be placed in a box or basket in the church foyer. Thank you!

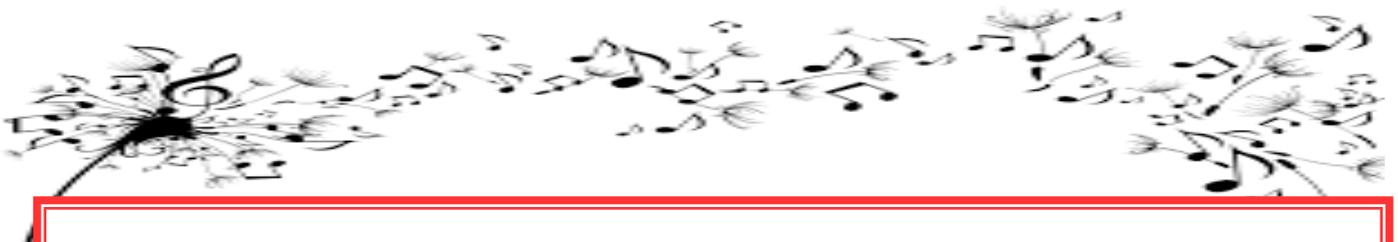


The Food Bank of Iowa is a private, charitable, not-for-profit organization committed to our mission of alleviating hunger through food distribution, partnership and education. The First United Methodist Church of Winterset is partnering with the Food Bank to provide a monthly food assistance program.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



SEWING ANGELS

Join us for all or part of the day on Mondays, March 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. Due to the weather and attendance the Iowa Wild has extended our registration due date to March 8th. Please let us know as soon as possible if you are interested. We would love to get a group together.



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

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

February had Mother Nature bringing in a lot of SNOW for our Community. We started the month with a great Church service then our Sunday morning Church Brunch on Feb. 3rd. From that Sunday the next three were canceled due to the Snow and road conditions.

Even though the Snow is beautiful and peaceful to look at it is not the best for driving in.

We did have a little break in the weather on the 21st and were able to have our Family Night Supper which was a very welcome gathering for Fellowship and to reflect on the winter weather that we have been dealt the past few weeks.

Known Hospitalized in February are, Darrel Wilden and Butch Gordon. We wish them a speedy recovery.

March 3rd will be our Church Brunch which will follow our Church Service and March 21st will be our Family Night Supper at 6:30 PM. Everyone is welcome to join us for a great time of fellowship.

We will be hosting the Ash Wednesday Service at 7:00 PM, March 6th. It will be a combined service for the Winterset Methodist Church and Patterson. We want to welcome everyone to join us.

**First United Methodist Church
Administrative Council Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2019**

Call to order: Pastor Mark called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and opened with prayer.

Approval of Minutes: Susan Henry made a correction to the January Minutes...Kylie Schafer should be Kylie Henderson. Nancy Ruby made a motion to approve the January 2019 meeting minutes with the correction. Bev Rhoads seconded, and the motion carried.

Old Business: Jaye Johnson has some paperwork for us to work through regarding the One Church Board. We can hold an All-Church Conference at any time if we decide to proceed with the One Church Board.

Finance: Kathy Fay provided a balance sheet as of January 31, 2019 and a list of bills approved to pay. The Profit/Loss report for January showed a loss of \$3,047 for just the month of January, after all bills were paid.

Pastor Mark discussed the financial situation of the church. Monthly expenses are running approximately \$2,500 more than income.

Missions: Bev Rhoads said she is thinking of putting a list together of the kits we will work on this year and have the list available in the lobby.

Trustees: Bob Rhoads said the Trustees will be looking into the church insurance.

Pastor's Report: -Met recently with Paul Smith to discuss the church's financial situation.
-Had one funeral
-Vacation February 15-21; attending Course of Study February 22-23;
Nancy Ruby will preach on Feb 17

Education: Pastor Mark reported that Becky Gust has the Safe Sanctuary Policy finished and will present it to the SPPRC committee at their next meeting & then to the Ad Council.

Worship: Dick Hoadley reported a few changes were made to the order of worship on Sunday mornings. The Ash Wednesday service will be 7:00 p.m. at Patterson and the Maundy Service will be at 7:00 p.m. at Winterset this year. The Lutheran Church is holding a Good Friday service at the Presbyterian Church.

Congregational Care: Dick Hoadley said homebound members enjoy receiving the Upper Room and the newsletter.

SPPRC: The Safe Sanctuary Policy will be presented at the February 26 meeting for approval. Job descriptions will also be reviewed.

Food Pantry: Susan Henry said the delivery truck will probably continue to deliver in the morning.

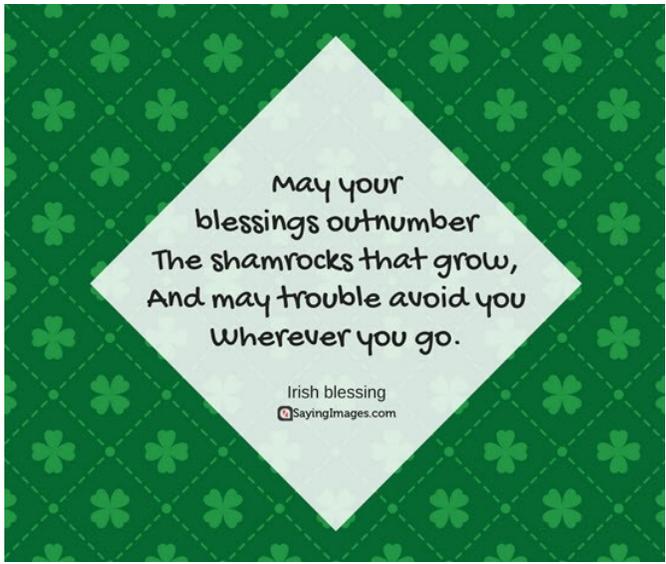
The next Food Pantry will be Monday, February 25.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. This will be a meeting for the Ad Council, SPPRC Committee, and Finance Committee.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m. and Nancy Ruby closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Koehler



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 March:

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| Karen Miller 3/1 | Beth Schwertfeger 3/11 |
| Mary Faux 3/2 | Thomas Benshoof 3/15 |
| Valarie Kerns 3/9 | Melinda Horn 3/20 |
| Shirley Bolton 3/10 | Jay Wildin 3/26 |
| Debbie Williams 3/10 | |

The United Methodist Women will meet Monday March 11th @ 1:30PM. The program is United Methodist Women Operating w/o Belonging by Mary Morris. Hostesses are Bev Rhoads and Annie Nielsen .





March

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3 Patterson Brunch	4 Sewing Angels 9-5	5 6-7:30 Sign Language	6 5:00 Wednes- day Supper Ash Wed. @ Patterson 7pm No Chancel Choir/No youth WIC 9-3	7 Cub Scout Den Meeting @ 7PM	8	9
10 Daylight Savings Time	11 Sewing Angels 9-5 1:30 UMW Trustees @ 7:00 Worship Com- mittee meeting at 7:00	12 6-7:30 Sign Language Ad Council/ SPPRC/ Finance @ 6:30 p.m.	13 5:00 Wednes- day Supper No handbell practice 7-8 Chancel choir prac- tice 6:30 youth	14 Cub Scout Den Meeting @ 7PM	15	16 St. Pat- rick's Day dinner 4:30-6:30 p.m. Pick up is available
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24	25 Sewing Angels 9-5 Mobile Food Pantry @ 4:30 Truck comes @ 9AM	26 6-7:30 Sign Language	27 5:00 Wednes- day Supper No handbell practice 7-8 Chancel choir prac- tice 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