

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*While Pastor Helen is on medical leave, we welcome Pastor Laura Bender to lead us in worship.

* Pastor Michelle from West Branch First UMC will be covering any pastoral cares or concerns for us. Her number is 989-903-5264. Please keep Pastor Helen and her family in your prayers.

*Chair Yoga – Thursdays at 10 am in the Family Center

* February 21ST – Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper, 5 pm – 6:30 pm (please see Deb Meservey if you can help!)

* February 22nd – Ash Wednesday, TBD

* We are looking for volunteers to help with upcoming Wed night suppers. Please see Deb Meservey if you can help. March 1st thru 29th

*The Victorian Tea is scheduled for Saturday March 18th at 12 pm. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased from any UWF member until March 11th.

* A new bible study, led by Mike Brick has been started. The lesson will span the Book 1 Thessalonians. Each lesson is a free-standing session. The study begins at 2PM at Cedar Tavern and Grill and is one hour long. Several participants often meet at 1pm and have lunch and fellowship. Please join us as you can. No RSVP needed!

WORSHIP TEAM – This Week

LITURGIST – Evelyn Delaney

GREETER – The Brick's

ACOLYTE – James Clark

USHERS – Jay Pennell and Fred Delaney

CHILDREN'S WORD – Judy Asel

COFFEE HOUR – Polly Mason

WORSHIP TEAM – Next Week

LITURGIST – Mike Brick

GREETER – Connie Cornman and Don Tryba

ACOLYTE – James Clark

USHERS – Jay Pennell and Fred Delaney

CHILDREN'S WORD – Linda Wend

COFFEE HOUR – Johanne Otteson

Pastor: Helen Alford

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Please remember if you want to use any of the buildings (family center, church and/or church basement) for any function (whether church related or not) you need to check with Lee to ensure the building has not already been reserved.



'You are the light of the world'

Matthew 5:14

February 5, 2023

WELCOME and OPENING PRAYER

+CALL TO WORSHIP – *Evelyn Delaney*

L. We are called to bring a new understanding of God: that God so loves the world.

P. We are the salt of the earth.

L. We are called to bring a new hope in God: that God gives us new life.

P. We are the light of the world.

L. We are called to follow the commandments and the law.

P. The Law of God is to love God and to love one another.

L. Come, let us be the salt of the earth, the light of the world.

P. Come, let us love one another with the love of God.

All. Let us join together in our love of God to worship and follow Jesus.

+UMH #139 – *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

ANNOUNCEMENTS – The Life of the Church – *Evelyn*

SCRIPTURE READING – *Evelyn*

Matthew 5:13-20

13 'You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. ¹⁴ 'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. ¹⁷ 'Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be

called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

L. The word of God, for the people of God,

P. Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S WORD – Judy Asel

PRAYER TIME –

CELEBRATIONS – The Life of the Congregation

INTERCESSARY AND PASTORAL PRAYER

LORDS PRAYER

TITHES and OFFERINGS

+DOXOLOGY – UMH #95

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of all creation, source of every blessing: you have given us so much. As we bring our tithes and gifts to you this day, these seem so small by comparison, unless we see that we are truly called to give ourselves back to the world. May we be the salt that brings value and flavor into relationships with those around us. May we be the light that helps others find their way to your love and care. We pray all of this in the mighty name of Jesus, who came to help us see all we could be. Amen.

+*This Little Light of Mine (on screen)*

SERMON – Pastor: Laura Bender –

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II – UMH #12

+UMH #571 – *Go, Make of All Disciples*

BENEDICTION

+Congregation Please Stand (as you are able)