



Staying Connected

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Farmer City United Methodist Church

Staying Connected is a weekly guide to news, events, and announcements. Send your announcements to Diana Homann by email: diana.homann56@gmail.com.

Church Activities

AA: Mondays at 7:00 PM (FCUMC)
Sunday Worship: In House at 10:45 AM
Choir Practice: Wednesdays at 6:30 PM
Coffee with Sandi: Wednesdays 9:30-11:30 AM
Jt Charge Conference: 11/13 at 11:30 AM (FCUMC)

In House Sunday School

Pairs and Spares: Wesley Room at 9:30 AM
Path Finders: Office at 9:30 AM

Online Worship Options

YouTube: Farmer City UMC Class Room

FaceBook: <https://www.facebook.com/FarmerCityUMC/>

Webpage: <https://www.farmercityumc.org/sermons>

ATTENTION: To those struggling to find our Sunday worship videos on YouTube; they are no longer on Pastors Sandi's page but can be found by googling **FCUMC Class Room!**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/FCUMCClassRoom>

Farmer City UMC Class Room - YouTube

Farmer City United Methodist Church (UMC) Class Room is for video's related to Sunday School or Children's Time or Stories.



TO: (11/13) Wyatt Cole
(11/17) Wanda Hilty, Mike Mullen, Liz Slusser
(11/18) Liz Pratt, Amy Jamison, & Judy Wallace
(11/25) Marjorie Twitchell, David Harris, & David Cole
(11/29) Kay Tomlin, Murl Kimmel, & Rhonda Reynolds
(11/30) Johanne Thompson

Lord, Hear our Prayers

Health Issues: Robert Drake, (Nephew of Laura Enger), Mary Lou Beggs, Ron Vance, Red Ulitzsch, (Father of Michelle Cordes), Ruth Nafziger, Brian Butler (Brother-in-Law of Tim Green), Linda Ashworth, Liz Slusser (surgeries)

Cancer: Craig Brock, (Friend of Dan Pearl), Ken Brock, (Friend of Pearls and father of Craig Brock), Dave Harris, (Husband of Katie Copley Harris), John Homann, John Baker (Weldon), Lynn Davis (friend of Craig Brock & Dan Pearl), Moe Winstead, Melissa Melton, Myron Kirby

Other: Stefanie Crownover (Nursing Home), David Watkins (Wheelchair Bound), Wayne Bowns, Addy Benjamin (Brain Tumor), Dan Mahnke (heart), Nadine Preston (surgery), **Susan Fry (Gary Boyles' sister)**

Thank you for your thoughts and prayers.

Last Chance to Volunteer

Would you like to ride a Golf Cart for 4 in the Christmas Parade on 11/21? See Diana.

Cunningham Children's Home Christmas Gifts

Janis Maxwell is collecting gifts of cash, check, or gift cards to take to Cunningham Children's Home by Thanksgiving. Please see Janis for more details.

Parent Christmas Shop

We are asking the community to help support our Parent Christmas Shop. This FOCUS project allows parents in need to select 2 toys per child. The Parent Christmas Shop will be open on 12/11/2021 at the Sunshine Center on Rt 54. **Fundraising will end on November 21st**. Please consider helping our efforts and donating a check made payable to FCUMC with Christmas Shop on the memo line or by online giving on <https://www.farmercityumc.org/online-giving.html> Click "Online Giving" then Click on "Christmas Shop".

Trunk or Treat

How exciting! Our Trunk won the cutest award at the community Trunk or Treat held on Main Street on October 31st! Thank you to Teresa Drinkwater and her family for being a part of this special event. Below is a picture of Joseph Drinkwater (The Incredible Hulk) helping pass out candy in the Noah's Arc themed trunk.



October Expenses vs Giving

	Total Expense	Giving	Difference
Oct	9,613.43	6,390	-3,223.43

Food Pantry News

Here is a look of the numbers from the last 3 distributions

	Families	Adults	Children	Total
Oct	38	96	16	112
Sept	37	90	19	109
Aug	40	93	26	119

Upcoming Dates

Unloading: 11/2, Boxing 11/16 & Distribution 11/20

Jurisdictional Conference to meet in special session November 10-11

Delegates from the 10 annual conferences that comprise the North Central Jurisdiction will meet Nov. 10-11 online for a special session of the North Central Jurisdiction. The theme of the special session is *Building Beloved Community* and will aired from the Michigan Area office in Lansing, Mich. Persons will be able to view the proceedings via a livestream at www.igrc.org/ncj2021. Delegates will be conferencing via Zoom and will be in a secure room to deliberate and participate in breakout sessions. In a letter to delegates on Oct. 19, Bishop David Bard, president of the NCJ College of Bishops said that the agenda will consist of three presentation blocks:

- **The Future of The United Methodist Church**
- **Dismantling Racism**
- **Episcopal Leadership in the Jurisdiction**

The Illinois Great Rivers Conference has been well represented in the preparation for the special session. Rev. Dr. Curtis Brown, IGRC Director of Connectional Ministries, is one of four individuals on the team planning the Future of the UMC presentation. Brown serves as the NCJ Mission Council representative to the panel. Delegates are being surveyed around the following questions which will guide the discussion which will center around the denomination following an anticipated split following General Conference:

- **How would you describe the values of the future United Methodist Church?**
- **What is God calling The United Methodist Church to do more of?**
- **What would make being a United Methodist ever better?**

The Anti-Racism team includes IGRC General Conference delegate, Dr. Pamela Hammond-McDavid and Rev. Sara Isbell, pastor of Bloomington Wesley UMC and chair of the NCJ Committee on Episcopacy, will join Bishop David Bard in making the presentation on Episcopal Leadership. In addition to some pre-conference work, delegate will also consider a proposal to declare the jurisdiction's intent to reducing the number of bishops to a total of eight active bishops in the NCJ College. With the retirements of two bishops, the proposal anticipates reducing the number of bishops by one.

Both days of the special session will open with worship. IGRC Communications is producing the Thursday worship designed by IGRC delegate, the Rev. Eric Swanson fashioned around the conference theme. Bishop Palmer will be sharing Scripture and three voices – representing Believing, Belonging and Becoming – will narrate the worship experience which will include video representations of Beloved Community in the 10 annual conferences. Music will be provided by Pekin Grace UMC and by Bloomington Hope UMC.

Bible Scavenger Hunt

Here's your clues. Can you figure out the answers?

Old Testament - Law

1. Genesis 11:3

What did the people bake?

2. Exodus 15:25

What did Moses throw into the bitter water to make the water fit to drink?

3. Leviticus 2:7

You can use this to cook the grain offering.

4. Numbers 11:4-6

What did the Israelites crave other than meat, cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic?

5. Deuteronomy 2:6

What did God instruct the Israelites to use to pay for the food and water

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Bible Trivia

People & Places



Who said, "Am I my brother's keeper?"

- A) Jacob
- B) Cain
- C) Esau
- D) Abel

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Answer: B
Genesis 4:9

Bible Scavenger Hunt Answers: 1) Bricks 2) A
Piece of Wood 3) Pan 4) Fish 5) Silver

Unwind De stress Stay positive

Thanksgiving Word Search

Find and circle the hidden words. The words can appear in any direction: horizontally, vertically, diagonally and even backwards.

BLESSINGS CELEBRATE CRANBERRY EAT FOOD
HAM NOVEMBER PUMPKINPIE THANKS TURKEY

Q S E C C P X X W A U G E D H
C B O U N T I F U L R G H S A
S R L L A B T O O F G P A F T
N Q A W S Z E A I P V U Y R L
O D J N M R C G L H Q R H E A
I T E W B I E A A S O A X E N
N G C S R E N L T Y R I G D T
O S Z E S T R U T V O S N O I
W X M W Q E N R E T R V I M C
C A Y X N R R S Y P E H F O W
R L K R E F T T Q R W S F D P
K A O T C O O K I N G Z U L X
M C T S F E H O U N M U T U A
A U C A N O E S D U K X S E C
B M R D R W O N P Y B F N O D

Bible Trivia

Easy



Where can you find the following verse in the Bible?

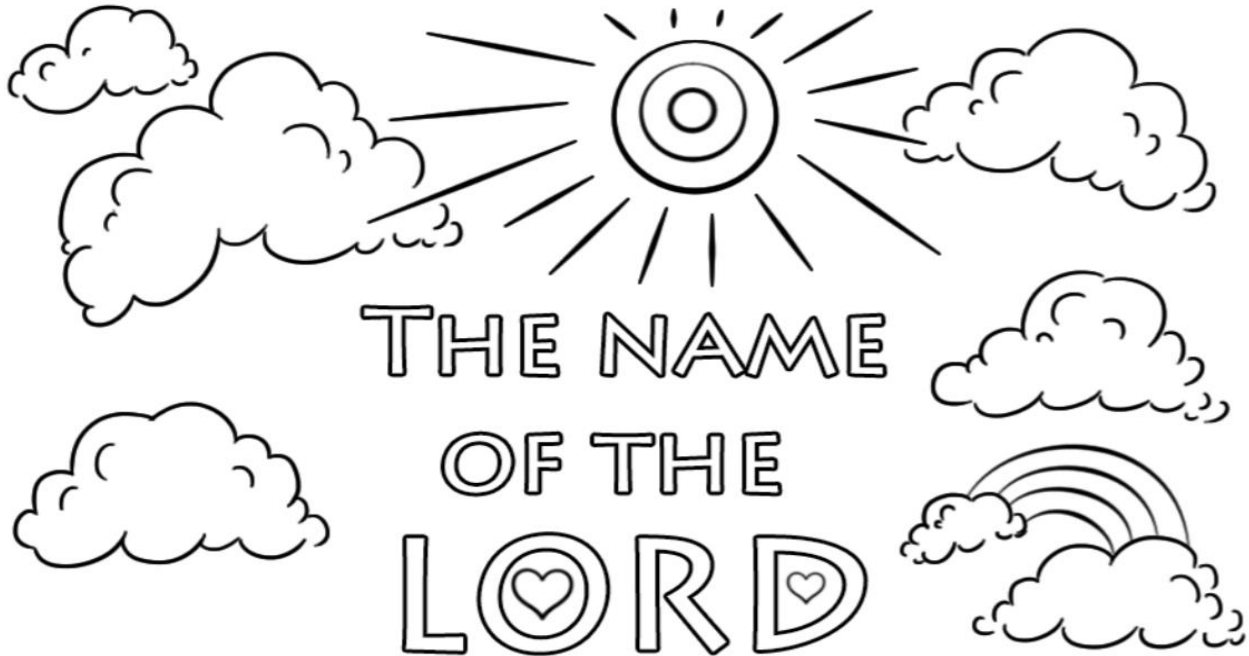
"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."

- A) Matthew 3:16
- B) Mark 3:16
- C) Luke 3:16
- D) John 3:16

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Answer: D
John 3:16



IS A FORTIFIED TOWER;

✿ THE RIGHTEOUS

RUN TO IT

AND ARE SAFE.



Proverbs 18:10

