



# 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 text or phone: 309-830-2267 or by email: [diana.homann56@gmail.com](mailto:diana.homann56@gmail.com). **Stay Connected!**

## Worship Options

**Online Worship: Sunday at 10:45 AM**

**Online Worship by:**

**YouTube:** <https://tinyurl.com/PastorSandiYouTube>

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

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

## Church Activities

**AA:** Mondays at 7:00 PM (FCUMC)

**NO UMW or FOCUS** meetings in January

**Food Pantry Distribution:** 12/19

## Worship on 12/20/2020



Will be  
filmed at  
Farmer City



## In House Worship News

**Worship will be held online only on Dec 20<sup>th</sup>.**

On 12/9, the Bishop declared, "For the good of our 800 plus congregations and communities where they reside, and in conjunction with the United Methodist Bishops and churches across our jurisdiction, I am strongly recommending our churches not to meet for indoor worship until further notice." You can read his entire message here: <https://www.igrc.org/>

**For now the building is closed.** Most items are available for pick up are on the table at the front door. Many have asked if this is ok? Yes, you may continue to do that!

**Stay Blessed, Stay Safe and Stay Connected!**

## Cantata

Go Sing It on the Mountain, a cantata performed by our Community Choir in December 2016, is available by clicking on the following link. <https://youtu.be/SPiat3NfvcQ> You will be able to enjoy this program throughout December.

## Christmas Video

**We need a picture by 12/20 for the video!**

Pastor Sandi will be putting a special video together and wants people to take pictures of their family next to a Christmas background. You can hold candles or not and it can be inside or outside your home so snap those pictures and email them to her! Be sure to send her the names of everyone!

## Parent Christmas Shop Pictures

All the tables and even some of the floor space was filled with toys at the Parent Christmas Shop held on 12/12. All the toys were all gone by 10 AM!



**Thank you for your donations and thanks to Teresa & Abby!**

## Last Week for the Advent Study

Join Pastor Sandi for the last week of Adam Hamilton's, "Incarnation: Rediscovering the Significance of Christmas," advent study on either Sunday, 12/20 at 4 PM or Monday, 12/21 at 6:30 PM. Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9473517996?pwd=SnpuLzI5Vm4rQXk4VWdDVWx3ejZBdz09> Meeting ID: 947 351 7996 Passcode: 3rq94E

## Parent Christmas Shop ~ Continues Through Facebook Reach



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We do not want any child in our community to not have some joy on Christmas morning. We ran out of toys very quickly at our Parent Christmas Shop on 12/12. If you are in need, please call us at 309-928-2355. Let us know the age and gender of your child(ren) and we will make arrangements to get the toys to you! God Bless You!



The above message was published and within 24 hours, we had 5 families reach out to us! Our Parent Christmas Shop Continues!



### Card Ministry Fund Raiser!

Pick up a pair of **HOT PADS** by Phebe, now available at the church on the table by the front door. If you would like to donate to the Card Ministry, please do so by writing Card Ministry on the memo line of your check. Checks can be placed on the secretary's office desk in the office. OR simply mail your check. Thank you so much for your donations to this great cause.

## Webpage Update

If you haven't checked out our webpage, you should! You now have access to the sermons, Sunday school videos, and Grandma D's Story Time. This is big NEWS for our non-Facebook friends and family!



Click here to Check it out!  
<https://www.farmercityumc.org/>

## Sunday School Message for 12/20

To affirm that when we welcome Christ, he enables us to become God's Children.

**Scripture: John 1:1-18**

## Happy Birthday to:



(12/18) Brenda Reeser... (12/19) Dan Pearl  
 (12/21) Tom Harris... (12/27) Marilyn Hirschman  
 (12/29) Linda Ashworth... (12/30) Blair Hawn  
 (12/31) Jason Hoffman... (12/31) Mary Howe

\*The Birthday and Anniversary list will now cover a two-week period or greater, so that you have time to mail a card if you wish.

Happy Anniversary to Dick and Janis Maxwell  
 ~December 24~

## Lord, Hear our Prayers

(New additions in bold print.)

**Health Issues:** Robert Drake, (Nephew of Laura Enger), Roger Barlow, Hannah Jean McCarty, Mary Lou Beggs, Ron Vance, Red Ulitzsch, (Father of Michelle Cordes), Sally Williams, Amber, (Jill Anderson's niece)

**Cancer:** Craig Brock, (Friend of Dan Pearl), Becky Fouth, (Niece to a friend of Rhonda Kimmel), Ken Brock, (Friend of Pearls and father of Craig Brock), Dave Harris, (Husband of Katie Copley Harris), Brian Snider, (Friend of Murl Kimmel), Beth Loy, (Friend of Heather Howell), John Homann, (brother of Diana Homann), Gary B (friend of Jane Evans), John Baker (Weldon), Lynn Davis (friend of Craig Brock & Dan Pearl), Julie Hubble (Aunt of Terri Green)

**Other:** Scott Smith (MS), Stefanie Crownover (Nursing Home), David Watkins (Wheelchair Bound), Greg Mosgrove (Lung Transplant)

**From our Community Prayer Box:**

**Thank you for your thoughts and prayers.**

## United Methodist Across the State Activity

**\* We can light up the night sky on Christmas Eve by shining the light of Jesus at 6pm and singing Silent Night. Invite your neighbors! (Socially distance of course!)**

## OUR CAPS YOUR CAUSE

**Here is where we are today. Only 107 to go!**

Farmer City United Methodist Church, Farmer City, IL -- 893

**Thank you** for continuing to support the financial needs of our church. Checks made payable to FCUMC can be mailed to 101 S William St, Farmer City, IL 61842 or to 1215 W Clinton Ave, PO Box 234, Farmer City, IL 61842 (in care of Janis Maxwell) or **Consider Online Giving at** <http://www.farmercityumc.org/online-giving.html>: If you don't already have a profile, you will be asked to create one.