



Staying Connected

Feb 10, 2021

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. **Stay Connected!**

Worship Options

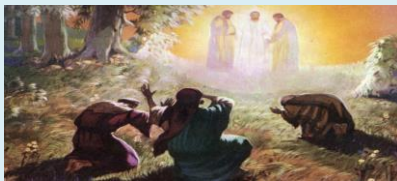
Online Worship:

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)
Adult Sunday School: Sunday at 9:30 AM
Food Pantry Distribution: 2/27

Worship on 2/14/2021



Starts at
10:45 AM



In House Worship News

On Feb 7th, we held in house worship!
We will have In-House Worship Feb 14th at 10:45 AM. Please wear a mask and social distance. Bulletins and hymnal will be placed in the pews. We will have congregational speaking and will sing the last song. However, you will be excused prior to singing if you are not comfortable.

Stay Blessed, Stay Safe and Stay Connected!

Online Sunday School Message for 2/14 & 2/21

There will be no online Sunday School Class
<https://www.farmercityumc.org/>

In House Sunday School News

Sunday School books will be in the Wesley Room for all that want to attend starting at 9:30 AM on Sunday. If you have taken a book home and plan to attend, please bring your book. Participants will read the lesson out loud with masks on in a "round the room" process.



Lord, Hear our Prayers

(New additions in bold print.)

Health Issues: Robert Drake, (Nephew of Laura Enger), Roger Barlow, Hannah Jean McCartney, Mary Lou Beggs, Ron Vance, Red Ulitzsch, (Father of Michelle Cordes), Sally Williams, Sue Kopp, Joe Brown

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), **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 & youngest sister to Johanne Thompson)

Other: Scott Smith (MS), Stefanie Crownover (Nursing Home), David Watkins (Wheelchair Bound), Greg Mosgrove (Lung Transplant), Tom & Kathy Rick (Covid & Related Complications), Nate Wells (Friend of Sandi with heart problems)

Please keep John Homann and family in your prayers. His cancer has spread to his spine.

Thank you for your thoughts and prayers.

Food Drive – Give a Helping Ham

Give a Helping Ham



Help provide a HAM for EASTER

Food Drive



Donations will be accepting in the months of

February and March

(Sponsored by the Farmer City United Methodist Church)

BENEFITING THE FARMER CITY

SALT CREEK FOOD PANTRY

Monetary Donations ONLY for Ham Purchase

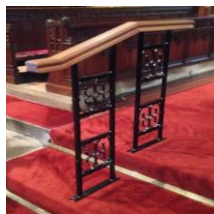
Checks can be made payable to

Farmer City United Methodist Church

Write "Ham" on the memo line of your check

Handrail Improvement

We will soon have 3 handrails for stepping up and down in the sanctuary. The estimated cost is \$3,000. Please consider giving to this church improvement by writing handrails on the memo line of your check.



Here is an example of a handrail

Happy Birthday to:

(2/11) Jodi Riegel... (2/17) Terri Green
(2/19) Nancy McLaughlin... (2/22) Phebe Galaway
(2/26) Heather Howell... (2/27) Will Duggins
(2/28) Sandy Boyles... (2/28) Wally Miller
(2/29) Ashley Reeser... (3/1) Brayden Evans
(3/1) Kelsey Byrd... (3/2) Russa Milburn



*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.



Ash Wednesday Services Announced

Lent begins on February 17 with Ash Wednesday.

We will have two services for Ash Wednesday. The first will be at Weedman UMC at 10 am. If you do not work outside of the home and would like to come to service during daylight hours, please come to this service no matter which church you usually attend.

The other service will be at 7 pm at Farmer City UMC. If you work during the day and would like to come to a service, please feel free to come to this service, no matter which church you usually attend.

The service will be short. There will be no music or singing. Due to an abundance of caution, I will be handing out small containers of ash to you as you arrive at the church. During the service, you will impose the ashes on your hand or forehead at the appropriate time. If you are in a family group, you can impose the ashes on a family member.

I encourage you to start Lent with this unique service!

Pastor Sandi

Important Note: Water and ashes are not a good combination. The mixture may form a caustic substance that will irritate or even burn the skin. I always use either dry ashes or a little olive oil with the ashes. **Similarly, do not remove the ashes by trying to wash them off!** Instead, rub them off with a towel (not moistened with water) followed by some olive oil or other vegetable oil to help remove the residue.

Daily Readings

Feb 10: Hebrews 11:17-31
Feb 11: Galatians 5:1-6
Feb 12: 1 John 3:13-18
Feb 13: James 2:14-20
Feb 14: James 2:21-26
Feb 15: Titus 1:10-16
Feb 16: Jeremiah 14:1-3,7-14
Feb 17: Joel 2:12-17



Lenten Forgiveness Study

"If your enemies are starving, feed them some bread; if they are thirsty, give them water to drink." Proverbs 24:17 (CEB)

There is nothing more crippling than holding on to anger. Anger, more than any other emotion, has the power to consume all aspects of our lives, distort our sense of purpose, and destroy our relationship with God.

In the passionate and life-changing book *Forgiveness: Finding Peace Through Letting Go*, bestselling author Adam Hamilton brings insight to the challenge of forgiveness. Hamilton argues that revelation comes when we realize that forgiveness is a gift, we give ourselves rather than to someone else. He also contends that only when we learn to forgive others and ourselves can we truly receive forgiveness from God.

Join us as we do a study on this book during Lent.

You have two options for times:

Sundays: February 21 & 28, and March 7 & 14 at 4:00pm
Wednesdays: February 24, and March 3, 10 & 17 at 10:30 am

I would like to have at least one of these times be in-person. I know some of you will not be able to meet in person that soon, so one of these times will likely be online.

Paperback Books are available at Christianbook.com at \$5.99. The hardback and paperback copies are also available on Amazon at a greater price.
The book is also available as an e-book on Christianbook.com for \$9.69 or on Amazon for the Kindle version at \$8.54.

If you are interested, please email me with the day of the week you would like to attend and how you would like to attend, as soon as possible. There are two different covers for the same book, either book is correct!

I look forward to sharing in this study with you. I have had several people recently tell me they needed to hear more about this topic! I pray you will attend.

Blessings, Pastor Sandi
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