



# 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!**

## Church Activities

- AA:** Mondays at 7:00 PM (FCUMC)
- Adult Sunday School:** Sunday at 9:30 AM
- Sunday Worship:** In House at 10:45 AM
- Joint SPRC:** 4/13 at 6:30 at FCUMC
- FOCUS:** 4/15 at 6:30 Wesley Room
- Trustees:** 4/15 at 6:30 Sanctuary
- Food Pantry Distribution:** 4/24

## In House Sunday School News

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

## Worship Message for 4/18/2021



The Disciples and Peter

## Online Worship Options

- YouTube:** Farmer City UMC Class Room
- FaceBook:** <https://www.facebook.com/FarmerCityUMC/>
- Webpage:** <https://www.farmercityumc.org/sermons>



## In House Worship-For Your Safety

### Welcome to In-House Worship!

For your safety and others, please wear a mask and social distance. Hand Sanitizer is available at the door.

Text or Call Pastor Sandi at: 217-834-3165  
Email: [pastorsandihire@gmail.com](mailto:pastorsandihire@gmail.com)

## Daily Readings



- 4/14: Romans 6:1-8
- 4/15: Romans 7:1-8.....4/16: 2 Ephesians 4:17-20
- 4/17: Ephesians 4:21-28.....4/18: Ephesians 4:29-32
- 4/19: Psalm 29:1-11.....4/20: Psalm 103:6-14



- T**O: (4/17) Wyatt Pearl...(4/18) Lily Williams
- (4/18) Steve Anderson...(4/20) Anna Johnson
- (4/20) Kobe Althaus...(4/22) Kathy Howe
- (4/22) Maycie Whisman...(4/24) Pat Pearl
- (4/24) Mark Tipsord...(4/28) Mark Phillips



The flowers on the alter are in remembrance of Sally Williams.

## Lord, Hear our Prayers

(New additions in bold print.)

- We pray for the family of Janet Jones.**
- We pray for the family of Sally Williams.**

**Health Issues:** Robert Drake, (Nephew of Laura Enger), Roger Barlow, Mary Lou Beggs, Ron Vance, Red Ulitzsch, (Father of Michelle Cordes), Margaret St. Clair (Cousin to Laura Enger & Stephanie Drake), Ruth Nafziger

**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), Dan Mahnke (triple bypass), **Judy Wallace**, (accident)

Thank you for your thoughts and prayers.

## Donation and Volunteer Opportunities

**The Summer Lunch Club:** We are seeking donations to help supply lunches to kids in need during the summer months. Through a contact with Blue Ridge CUSD, they will not be offering lunches during the summer and we would like to be a solution and offer "pick up" a sack lunch. It will cost about \$280 to supply a nutritious sack lunch for one child during the summer. Please consider giving to this cause by making your check payable to FCUMC and writing Summer Lunch Club on the memo line. **Also, if you are available to pack lunches or pass them out, please contact a FOCUS member.**

**Pool Rental:** We are looking into free Pool rentals and free food in the parks. If you would like to donate make your check payable to UMC with POOL on the memo line.

**Donate bottled water** to help support our community during the Heritage Days celebration. If you would like to donate make your check payable to UMC with WATER on the memo line.

**Basement/Garage Sale:** Get your items ready now as you SPRING CLEAN. The city wide sale is May 20-22 and all proceeds go toward our summer programs. If you would like to donate make your check payable to UMC with SUMMER PROGRAMS on the memo line. **Volunteers needed to work Sale.**

**Volunteer Sunday School Teachers & 3 Day VBS** – See a FOCUS Member for more information!

## 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Treasures Report

Let's start by looking at our expenses vs. our giving at the end of 2020.

2020 Expenses: \$97,540  
2020 Giving: \$99,845

It's always good to spend less than we earned but you can see that we didn't do this by much. We operated under a conservative mode in 2020 and we will continue to do so in 2021. Let's look at our 2021 figures...

2021 Jan-Mar Expenses: \$25,769  
2021 Jan-Mar Giving: \$25,233

Yikes! So far we aren't trending on the positive side but we are close. **We will need everyone's help in order to save on expenses going forward. Do you know a way to help us save?**



**The Summer Lunch Club**

Nutritious Sack Lunches offered for children/youth in grades Pre-K to High School.  
One Take Home a Sack per registered Child/Youth.

June 1st, - August 17th, 10:30-11:30 AM each day

Farmer City United Methodist Church  
101 S William St, Farmer City  
For more information contact:  
309-928-2355 or fcwm101@gmail.com



**FREE Summer Lunch**

## New Ways to Give

Download our FREE App! Search your App Store for GivePlus Church, a free phone app to give a donation to the church. Below is a picture of the App. It's easy to use and you can select different funding categories such as: General Operating, Salt Creek Food Pantry, Christmas Shop for Parents, and Community Neighbors Help (ramps). You can donate with checking/debit, savings, or credit card. Watch this short video to learn how easy it is: <https://vimeo.com/262292774>

Also, new is **Text Giving**. To use Text Giving, text the dollar amount of your gift in the message line to our dedicated phone number: 844-561-0383. For example, if you want to give \$5 your message is 5. It's that simple!