



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
Food Pantry Distribution: 8/28

In House Sunday School

Pairs and Spares: Wesley Room at 9:30 AM
Path Finders: Office at 9:30 AM
Nursery Attendant: 9:30 – 11:45 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/>

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.

Annual Charge Conference

The 2021 Annual Charge Conference will be on Saturday November 13, 2021, at 11:30 AM. It is a joint meeting with Weedman UMC. All are welcome to attend.



Marc & Laura Enger September 5
Kim & Dale Whisman September 17
Ryan & Katie Kemphues Sept. 22

Coffee Time with Pastor Sandi

Pastor Sandi has established a summer schedule which includes times for anyone to visit with her. Starting in July, you will find her in the Wesley Room. On Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 AM, she will be brewing coffee so come by and have a cup with her. Coffee Time with Sandi is open to anyone and everyone. All other days she will work from home. Friday is her day of rest and renewal. Sandi has also decided to schedule her afternoons for emails so if you send an email that needs immediate attention, please text her. Otherwise, your emails will be answered in the afternoons.

5th Sunday Celebrations

August 29th, is our first 5th Sunday Celebration. Sandi will be at FCUMC during Sunday School. Plan to join her at 9:30 AM.



Interested in a Study Group?

You will find this catalog in the Wesley Room, please look through it and if you see a study group/book that you think is interesting, please let Pastor Sandi know.



TO: (8/25) Kolby Kramer
(8/26) Tricia Underwood... (8/27) Rick Kopp
(9/1) Jeff Jones... (9/2) Rhonda Kimmel
(9/4) Trent McCartney... (9/5) Mike Enger
(9/7) Joshua Harden... (9/10) Glenn Reeser, Chuck Whisman & Jayce Hanafin (9/11) Kelly Pierce & Noah Voyles

Giving Opportunities

First Mile Mission

Begin to pick up Special Envelopes on the table to donate to First Mile Missions. Donations will be accepted during the month of September. This is our commitment as a church and as people of God to give to special programs supported by the church. On the envelope, you may choose to have your contribution split as you wish to each of the programs below. Checks should be made payable to FCUMC with 1st Mile on the memo line. Below is a list of programs:

Native American Ministries nurtures missions with Native Americans and provides scholarships for United Methodist Native American seminarians.

Peace With Justice enables The United Methodist Church to have a voice in advocating for peace and justice through a broad spectrum of global programs.

World Communion provides scholarships for U.S. racial- and ethnic-minority students and international students, on both undergraduate and graduate levels.

United Methodist Student Day furnishes scholarships and loans for students attending United Methodist-related and other accredited colleges and universities.

Human Relations Day strengthens United Methodist outreach to communities in the United States and Puerto Rico, encouraging social justice and work with at-risk youth.

UMCOR makes the love of Christ real in the lives of those who suffer the effects of disasters in the US and 99 other countries.

Gibson City Flooding Collection

Gibson City received 12 inches of rain on August 12th. UMCOR Cleaning Kits were quickly sent to help in the efforts of clean up. However, many people are without homes now. Our church has decided to send funding to help those in need of housing. Please consider giving to this effort by making your check payable to FCUMC with Gibson City on the memo line. You may also give to the UMCOR Disaster Fund by writing UMCOR on the memo line.

(Office Info: Fund # 6800)

Parent Christmas Shop

Last year, we spent about \$1900 and we ran out of toys within the first two hours. In order to provide at least \$2000 in toys this year, we are starting to fund raise for the event early. We do anticipate an even greater need this year and would like to raise our goal to at least \$3,000. For those that don't know, the Christmas Shop is a way for parents in need to select 2 gifts for their children. 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 donating to this by adding Christmas Shop on the memo line of your check.**

Lord, Hear our Prayers

We pray for the family of Dr. George Castrovillo.

Health Issues: Robert Drake, (Nephew of Laura Enger), Mary Lou Beggs, Ron Vance, Red Ulitzsch, (Father of Michelle Cordes), Margaret St. Clair (Cousin to Laura Enger & Stephanie Drake), Ruth Nafziger, Brian Butler (Brother-in-Law of Tim Green), Linda Ashworth

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, (brother of Diana Homann), Gary B (friend of Jane Evans), John Baker (Weldon), Lynn Davis (friend of Craig Brock & Dan Pearl), Moe Winstead, DJ Homann (Dan Homann's son), Sandy Shaw, Rita Price, Melissa Melton.

Other: Stefanie Crownover (Nursing Home), David Watkins (Wheelchair Bound), Greg Mosgrove (Lung Transplant), Dewey Gronau's Family: Mike, Jacklynn, & Maddie Stroz (car accident), Don Ferrill, Wayne Bowns (starts extensive long-term therapy), Addy Benjamin (Brain Tumor), the Goode family, the Reeder family, Dan Mahnke (heart)

Thank you for your thoughts and prayers.

IGRC News - Please Stay Home if you are Sick.

Surge in Delta variant invites local church safety committees to look at its policies

The Delta Variant of COVID-19 is surging throughout Illinois. If you haven't done so, please have your local church health team and church leaders meet to review and update your church health safety plan.

All 102 Illinois counties are rated as having high transmission rates.

At this time the best way to protect yourself is to get vaccinated. The best way to protect others in your congregation is to wear a mask. It is especially important to take extra caution around people who cannot be vaccinated due to health conditions and around children who are not yet eligible to be vaccinated.

