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**Check us out on our Web site, Sundays at 9:30am**

\*Facebook: Horseheads United Methodist Church

\*You Tube: Hh 1st United Methodist Church

A chicken and biscuit dinner

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***“ Working Together with All to Connect to God’s Love”***

**First United Methodist Church of Horseheads**

**October 20, 2024**

**Greeting and Announcements**

{as this service begins, please use the white prayer cards on the pew-back in front of you if you want something read aloud from the pulpit. During our first hymn, the Ushers will collect cards to be read aloud.}

**Prelude**: Interlude No.4                          Paul Tate

**\*Call to Worship**

Please Turn to Hymnal p.#832 \*Psalm 111 with sung response #2

**UMW Pin Presentations**

**\*Hymn:** Trust and Obey #467 UMH

**\*Unison Prayer:**

**Joys and Concerns** Chad Miller

**Silent Prayer**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord’s Prayer (on screen)** p.#895

**Gift of Music:** Kumbaya                                  arr. Paul Sjolund

**Young Disciples Time**

Loving God, thank you for the many caring, committed laity, who share their faith and labor in love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. In your name, we pray.

All Christian ministry is Christ’s work of outreaching love. It demonstrates a common life of gratitude and devotion, witness and service, celebration and discipleship. All Christians are called to Christ’s servanthood in the world, to the glory of God and for human fulfillment. **Amen**.

Elusive One, be near us in our need. For we are poured out like water and our hearts melt like wax within us. You have watched over us since our birth, as a mother watches over her children. Come to us swiftly and be with us now, for the darkness threatens and the light fades. Help us in our weakness and touch us with your mercy and your grace. Amen

**Scripture: 1 Peter 4:10-11**  p.#235

Leader: The word of God for the people of God

*People: Thanks be to God!*

**\*Hymn:** I am Thine, O Lord  #419 UMH

**Scripture: Galatians 5:13** p#190

Leader: The word of God for the people of God

*People: Thanks be to God!*

**Sermon: people of the church**

**Offering**

**Offertory Music:** Where Cross the Crowded Ways    Garth Edmundson

**Doxology**

**\*Hymn:** Go Forth for God #670 UMH

**Benediction**

**Postlude:** Pasticcio                                        Jean Langlais

[Please feel free to be seated and enjoy the Postlude]

\*indicates please stand, if able

UMH = red hymnal FWS =   black songbook

**Announcements Oct 20th, 2024**

**Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God**

**In Honor of Gayle Swank**

**and in Memory of Mary Campbell**

**Welcome to Worship today! If you are visiting today with us, please stop by the visitor’s table just outside the sanctuary. There is a gift bag there for you!**

**Sunday, Oct. 20th: Laity Sunday**

10:45Sunday School**:** Grades k-8 Ffellowship Hall, Jr. High-Class Rm 18, Parent Class-

Rm 21, Adult Sunday School in the large conference room is cancelled today.

**Monday, Oct 21st:**

9:00pm, Quilting Ministry, FH

10:00am, Empathy Book Study, Room 12

7:00pm, Empathy Book Study, Room 12

**Wednesday, Oct 23rd**:

7:00pm, Annual Charge Conference

7:00pm, Church Council, LCR

**Saturday, Oct. 26th:**

4:00pm, Choir Practice, CR

**Sunday, Oct. 27th:**

Soup to Go after the service in the Kitchen.

Karren’s Clothing Cupboard November sign up calendar is in the entrance.

**Winter Fantasy is coming soon**. A group of us have talked about having a table of donated items from church members that we would sell and give the money toward the kitchen improvements. Any item of yours left you would take back to use. So far, we only have a couple of people interested. Please if you want to do this let Mary Jane Austin or Ande Tubbs know. Thank you.

**All Saints Memorial Prayer Card**Please plan ahead for all saint’s Sunday! Memorial prayer cards will be available in the Narthex through October. On all saint's Sunday, we will have them on our communion table and then display them in our prayer garden. There is no cost for this expression of loving memorials.  In Christ, Pastor Jeffrey McDowell.

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There are many opportunities to serve God here are Horseheads First United Methodist Church. If you have certain life skills, work experience or would like to learn something new, we have a place for you. Please read the ministry areas below and prayerfully consider donating some time to God through your service. We are always open to new areas of service, so if you don’t see one listed here which you want to offer, let us know! We provide training. Contact Rev. McDowell this month, for more information at [pastorjeffmcd@yahoo.com](mailto:pastorjeffmcd@yahoo.com) or call his cell at 607-377-2338.

**Nurture: *We Grow***

**Worship** plans services and supports them through visual arts, music and words.

**Christian Education** plans classes and curriculums to teach our children and adults.

**Prayer Team** brings the needs of our people to God in prayer on a regular basis.

**Stephen Ministry** trains and assigns Christian caregivers to people in stressful situations.

**The Nursery** cares for the little ones in a clean, safe place during services and events.

**\*Bible Studies** teach the Word of God to the congregation in small groups.

**Outreach: *We Give***

**Outreach** identifies needs and promotes our giving in mission locally.

**Missions** identifies needs and promotes our giving in mission globally.

**Karren’s Clothing Cupboard** collects, sorts, serves the public each week.

**Special Offerings / Disaster Relief** to help people in need.

**\*Dinners & Events** for fun raising and fund raising.

**United Women in Faith** Gathers to grow in Christ, provide fellowship, expand mission.

**Witness: *We Go***

**Faith Builders** prepares materials and programs to welcome new peopleinto our church.

**\*Publicity** creates ways for us to share the Christian message in our community and world.

**\*Evangelism** brings the gospel message to those outside our church.

**\*Short Term Mission Trips** offer a chance for us to be in mission in a setting outside our area.

**Resources: *We Lead***

**Church Council** discerns vision,sets direction, looks at big picture, coordinates ministry.

**Nominations** helps people discover their gifts and use them in service.

**Finance** creates and manages budget and spending.

**Trustees** oversee the building and grounds.

**Living Endowment** makes decisions about our invested funds.

**Staff Parish Relations** collaborates with pastor and other staff for a healthy church,

**(\*denotes** this area is yet to be developed…but us together!)