



WORSHIP WITH US !
SUNDAYS AT 9 AM
FOURTH AVENUE UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
JANUARY 20, 2024

Happy New Year everybody!

Man, it's cold. (How cold is it?)

It's so cold I saw a greyhound bus on I-35 and the dog was riding on the inside.

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It's so cold everybody in town has a stiff upper lip!

Our UMC District Superintendent, Michelle Hargrave, is coming to meet with us next Sunday, January 28 at 10:45am to hear how we're doing, and to hear our vision for ministry together going forward. This is an important meeting to share hopes and dreams, and to help Michelle and the Bishop discern a pastoral appointment for 2024. Please share your ideas with members of the administrative council and/or SPRC this week.

I want to thank you for your continued support of the church's ministry through your generous offerings. Kathy DuChene, our church treasurer, wants everyone to know she is pleased with your financial commitment and that we're in the black for the month of December!

I am excited about the ministry possibilities for the future of Fourth Avenue and I look forward to helping us discern our way forward this Spring!

Blessings,
Pastor Roger



SUNDAY WORSHIP

January 21

Worship at 9:00 am

“Who Are We Together?”

Pastor Roger Preaching

Choir Singing

January Birthdays

Matthew Boyd	21
Toby Wikoff	29
Karen Shimmin	30
Brent Kern	31



Calendar of Events

January 21 WORSHIP, 9:00 am

January 24 Choir Practice, 6:00 pm

January 28 WORSHIP, 9:00 am

Soup Meeting, 10:00 am in the Parlor

Michelle Hargrave here, 10:45 am in the Parlor

Lakelander's are NOT meeting during the month of January.

You're Invited To A Birthday Party !!

Save the Date

Phyllis Ford will be celebrating her 90th birthday on February 7th. Her children are hosting an open house event on Saturday, February 3, 2024 from 1-4 pm in the Fellowship Hall of Fourth Avenue UMC. No gifts please.

Let's help the family celebrate this milestone.



Let's Talk Soup

Please join us in the Parlor on Sunday, January 28th immediately after the worship service to discuss our thoughts and options regarding continuing with our Lenten Soup project.

Everyone is welcome to attend, so grab a cup of hot coffee and a treat and join us in the Parlor.

DECEMBER WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

	<u>Attendance</u>		<u>Giving</u>
	<u>In Person</u>	<u>On Line</u>	<u>Unified Budget</u>
December 03	61	19	\$3,798.00
December 10	72	18	\$2,248.00
December 17	64	19	\$3,823.00
December 24	86	13	\$1,379.00
December 31	55	25	\$2,353.00
<u>Monthly Average</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>18</u>	
Total for December			\$13,601.00

JANUARY WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

	<u>Attendance</u>		<u>Giving</u>
	<u>In Person</u>	<u>On Line</u>	<u>Unified Budget</u>
January 07	43	22	\$2,943.00
January 14	25	24	\$ 715.00
January 21			
January 28			

LEADERSHIP TO MEET WITH MICHELLE HARGRAVE

On Sunday, January 28th, Michelle Hargrave will be meeting with the leadership committees of FAUMC to discuss the welfare of our congregation and potential areas of ministry as we begin to make plans for future growth.

Please pray for wisdom and open minds for the leaders as we enter into these discussions. If you have any thoughts or concerns you would like to express, please get in touch with an Ad Council member.

Jim Heyer
Brad Prange
Carolyn Minshall

Tena Harren
Kathy DuChene
Deb Jindra-Pope

Kelly Landsverk
Shari VanDerVeen
Pastor Roger

FALCON'S NEST PROJECT

The 2023 Falcons Nest coat drive was once again a HUGE success.

In addition to over **60** new men's and women's coats, **60** new hats, **60** new pair of gloves, **100** pairs of men's and women's socks and **70** new sweatshirts, our congregation donated many gently used outerwear items. In fact, the facility counselor, Terra Boyd had a jam packed Suburban due to your generosity. We were also able to supply the youth that use the Falcon's Nest with many daily need items.

"JOY STOCKINGS" were also a huge success. Thanks to Deb Jindra-Pope for sharing her vision of providing "joy" during the holiday for the underprivileged youth in Faribault. In less than 3 weeks we were able to collaborate with our Mission sewers and make **49** blankets (the most requested item from youth in need) and over **50** adorable stockings which were filled with a \$10.00 Walmart gift card and a \$10.00 McDonalds gift card. In fact the "Joy Stocking" idea caught on so well we ended up donating **59** blankets and "Joy Stockings" to the Falcon's Nest.

The Mission Committee wants to THANK everyone who participated for your generosity!



MISSION SEWING GROUP

We are happy to report that our mission sewing group has been busy, busy this past season! We brought back the TLC toiletry bags, made and filled over 100 of them and distributed them before Christmas. Our other project was to make over 40 fleece blankets and over 50 small gift stockings to support our gift to “The Nest” at Faribault High School.

A big **THANK YOU** to our sewers, assemblers and cutters! Next season’s projects are already in the works. We will resume Tuesday afternoon meetings on January 23 for all interested.





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CHURCH ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

The Mission of the Church Council is to lead the church in fulfilling its mission, lifting up its vision, living by its values and coordinating its many and varied activities, committees and ministry teams.

THREE GOSPEL IMPERATIVES

- Grow in Love with God and Neighbor
 - Reaching New People
 - Healing a Broken World

OUR CHURCH FOCUS:

DO NO HARM

DO GOOD

STAY IN LOVE WITH GOD

Sunday Worship 9:00 AM