WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Sunday, March 9, 2025

Gathering Music Doug Madow

Welcome/Announcements

Pastor Amy Jo

- Sign-Up Sheet for reading Scripture & soup volunteers
- Book Club- Meeting after worship today
- Book Study at Hope Church on parables, Monday at 10:00 a.m.
- Lenten Soup Sales

*Call to Worship (from Psalm 105)

O give thanks to the Lord; call on his name;

Make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him; sing praises to him;

Tell of all his wonderful works.

Glory in his holy name;

Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

Special Music: "I Know Who Holds Tomorrow" Jean Vincent

Scripture Reading: Matthew 28:18-20

John Streiff

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Children's Message:

Scripture Reading: Luke 10:1-9

John Streiff

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals,

^{*}Invocation

and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

Hymn: "As a Fire is Meant for Burning" #2237, FWS

Message: Sent to the Harvest Pastor Amy Jo

Hymn: "Pass it On" #572, UMH

Celebration of Generosity: Community Action Center

Notes for AJB: Last year CAC's food shelf served more than 16,000 people with more than 1.75 million pounds of food and more than 150,000 diapers.

Offertory

*Doxology #95, UMH

*Offering Prayer

Community Prayer: Prayer of Saint Teresa

Christ has

No body now on earth but ours;

No hands but ours;

No feet but ours;

Ours are the eyes

Through which Christ looks out

With compassion upon the world;

Ours are the feet

With which he is to go about doing good;

Ours are the hands

With which he is to bless people now.

Amen.

Prayers of the People

Meditation on Loving Kindness May I be filled with lovingkindness.

May I be at peace.

May I be well.

May I be happy.

This meditation can be offered four times:

- 1. for ourself
- 2. for our loved ones
- 3. for strangers
- 4. for our enemies.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Hymn: "Lord Whose Love Through Humble Service" #581, v. 1, 2 & 4, UMH

*Benediction

And now, may God bless us as we go:

May God bless our minds, sending us wisdom.

May God bless our hearts, filling us with compassion.

May God bless our hands to serve and bless others.

May God bless our spirits, raising us up to new life. Amen

Postlude Doug Madow

Please join us after worship in the annex for a time of fellowship.

Wifi Network: 4thAveUMC-GUEST Password: FamilyOfFaith

Church office 507-334-4308 Pastor Amy Jo's cell phone 507-341-1760

Church Calendar Of Events

Sun. Mar. 9	9am Worship
Mon. Mar. 10	6pm Mission/Outreach in Parlor
Mon. Mar. 10	7pm Lakelanders
Wed. Mar. 12	12pm- United Women's of Faith (see note after Giving Report)
Wed. Mar. 12	5:30pm-7pm Confirmation
Thurs. Mar. 13	12pm Women's Group Meeting in Parlor
Thurs. Mar. 13	12:30 Veggie Prep for soup in FH
Thurs. Mar. 13	6:30pm-8pm Staff Parish Relations Training
Fri. Mar. 14	10:30am-1pm Lenten Soup to go FH
Sat. Mar. 15	6:30pm-8:30pm St. Patty's Karaoke Event
Sun. Mar. 16	9am Worship

Community Announcements

Lenten Friday Walleye Fish Fry, Friday, March 14th, 4:30pm-7pm at Blooming Grove United Methodist Church. Contact Brad at 507-461-2354 for questions. 43089 180th Street, Morristown, MN 55052.

Giving Report

Feb. 23 \$ 730.00 Mar. 2 \$ 2,533.00

The United Women of Faith will be meeting on Wednesday, March 12th at 12pm (noon) at the home of Carolyn Minshall: 1208 Mitchell Drive, Faribault. Please bring your lunch. This is a change of date from Thursday, March 13th, due to Thursday will be vegetable prep for soup.

Our SOUP-er Start to Lenten Soup to Go!

Dear Fourth Avenue Friends and Family,

Once again, you have all come together to prove there is no "I" in soup. You show what our hands and hearts can collectively accomplish in Jesus's name.

As I write this, the vegetable prep volunteers are making their way down to the Fellowship Hall. I'm smiling because we may be the only Minnesota UMC congregation where you bring your own peeler and knife to church!

The Lenten 2025 Soup Team is grateful for your kind words, your dedication of time and energy, and your generous financial support. To date: \$1,255 in cash donations have been received to help pay for soup ingredients.

Thank you, everyone! We look forward to updating you Sunday, March 9th.

With gratitude, Sara & your SOUP-er awesome Soup Team





Lenten Friday

Walleye Fish Fry

Friday, March 14th

4:30-7:00 pm (Or until Fish is gone.)

At Blooming Grove United Methodist Church

Come enjoy good food and great fellowship, as we welcome spring!

Free-will offering with all proceeds going to the BGUMC "Accessibility for all" Building Project.

Contact Brad Spinler at 507-461-2354 if you have any questions.





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