



August 2024

First United Methodist Church

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9:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Monday-Thursday

Church Website

www.firstumcharvard.org

Sunday Schedule

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

for all ages

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Our Vision

We are a church for all people of Christ through our love and service.

Our Mission Statement

We are the followers of Jesus Christ coming together at the living body of Christ, allowing God to work in us, with us and through us for His purpose.

From the Pastor's Pen

How is your summer going so far? Have you been able to accomplish all that you planned for this season? For me, this was a good summer as I enjoyed some quality time with my family. I pray that you find reasons to give thanks at all times. Time is an expensive commodity. Use them well before it's gone.

We are looking into ways of being more active as a body of Christ. A survey was sent from the church email about activities you might be able to participate. I thank Dr. Smith for taking the initiative to find opportunities for all of us to be more engaging with each other. If you have not responded to the survey, please respond as soon as possible. We will let you know about our future plans soon.

We are gearing up for another exciting school year. I ask your prayer for all teachers, staff, and especially students. We are investing in our future by caring for the young souls. They face so many challenges daily, and they need our encouragement and prayer. We will bless all our students and their backpacks on Sunday August 11th. Bring all students in your family. Let's lift them up to God for another successful year.

I will be providing free weekly English classes to our community starting Tuesday August 20. My call is not only teaching the essential language, it's to reach out to the community and help them in any way I can. I have the calling of displaying God's love to anyone and everyone I encounter. I'm hoping I can start a community of faith among the Hispanic community that connects with our church. I ask for your participation and support in our call to love our neighbor.

I'm also planning a Bible study on Thursdays beginning in the month of October. It will be a great opportunity to learn together and share our faith. A sign-up sheet will be available in the Narthex. Let's continue to grow in Spirit. Our pursuit of God's knowledge and wisdom never ceases.

Enjoy the rest of the summer. See you at church.

Blessings,

Pastor Alex Lee

August Highlights

August Meetings

- 8/5 7:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting
- 8/12 7:00 p.m. **NO** Finance Committee Meeting
- 8/26 7:00 p.m. Leadership Committee Meeting

August Ushers

Mark Dion
Ken Pedersen



Blood Drive

All Blood Types Needed -
Walk-ins Welcome!!
Wednesday, August 7th
1:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Harvard Fire Department
502 S. Eastman Street



To schedule a time to donate, call
Julie Dion @ 815-943-7591;
visit RRVBC.org; or call
815-965-8751

Adult English Classes

If you know of anyone who would benefit from an Adult English class, please have them join Pastor Alex on Tuesday's at 9:30a.m. or 7:00 p.m. Classes are 1-1/2 hours in length, are held at church, start on August 20th thru December 10th and **ARE FREE!**

Back Pack Blessing



will be during
the August 11th
worship service

August Counters



Ken & Susan Pedersen
Melissa Oerkfitz

Fellowship Hour

- 8/4 Mary Henning
- 8/11
- 8/18 Sue Smith
- 8/25

Senior Fellowship



August 6th
August 20th
at 9:00 a.m.

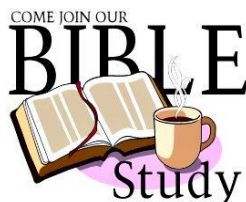
Liturgist for August



8/4
8/11
8/18
8/25

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 6th
at Harvard Moose Lodge
from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Free community event with
live music, food, kids
activities and more!!!
Come enjoy the fun!



Women's Bible Study

Every Wednesday at the home of
Sharon Klingstedt
August 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th
at 1:00 p.m.



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<p>10:00 a.m. Worship Service Communion Sunday</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour</p> <p>2:00 p.m. Worship @ Care Ctr</p> <p>3:00 p.m. BSA Troop 1945</p>	<p>4</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts 171</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Senior Fellowship</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Nat'l Night Out</p> <p>6:30 p.m. BSA Troop 171</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Yoga</p> <p>1:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study</p> <p>1:00 p.m. Comm Blood Drive @Harvard Fire Dept</p>	<p>7</p> <p>8</p>
<p>10:00 a.m. Worship Service <i>Back Pack Blessing Sunday</i></p> <p>11:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour</p> <p>3:00 p.m. BSA Troop 1945</p>	<p>11</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts 171</p>	<p>12</p> <p>6:30 p.m. BSA Troop 171</p> <p>-----Head Start Cleaning/Waxing Lower Level Floors-----</p>	<p>13</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Yoga</p> <p>1:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>14</p> <p></p> <p>D50 First Day of School</p>
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