

Worship

Marshall First UM Church
Worship Service

Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m.

Sundays on Facebook (Live at 9:00 a.m.)

The weekly service can be pulled up on Facebook
any time at www.facebook.com/MarshallILFUMC.

You can even go back to earlier services, if you
happened to miss one.

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**"Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world."**

Prayer Concerns:

Family of Reid Zoll
Tom Lisella

Family of Allen Goekler
Gail Glick
Vicki Remlinger

Lisa Bubeck Ashkin
Eric Curry
Tiffany Macke

Diana Bailey
Pastor Tim Duke & Family

Bishop Frank Beard
D.S. Charliam Renner
Chase Brady [Joyce Gwyn's great-grandson]
Peg Hintz [Tom Hintz's mother]
Julie Krietemeier [Beth Macke's sister]
Harrison Downey
Angie Broncano [Missionary in Laos]
Unspoken Request
All Long-term Healthcare Facilities in Clark County
Natural Disaster Victims, Our Missionaries



Our Military Personnel:

Chris Bradford
Peyton Allen

John Flowers
John Kuhn

Daniel Gard
Lewis & Shelby Sanborn

Jake Hoalt

Michael Holmes

Chaplain Jonathon Maloney

Our Nation, Our Nation's Leaders, and Armed Forces

Our Homebound & Health Care Facility Residents:

Violet Cook
Mary E. Koutsoumpas
Etta Wyrick

JoAnn Donehue
Phyllis Boatright

Polly Logan

Ray King

Mitch Wineland

Ken Jensen

Fremont Schoeck

Ron Hicks

**Please help keep the prayer list up-to-date! Names will be removed at the first of each month
unless someone calls or writes the church office with an update.**

Please contact the church office at 826-8041 if you are aware of any changes.



THE MESSENGER

May 2023

702 Plum St., Marshall, IL 62441

Find us on the web at <https://marshallfumc.org>

Pastor's Note:

As I approach my retirement after 33 years of pastoral ministry, I have chosen to focus our final weeks together to be on prayer. I am calling the church to a month of prayer beginning May 1st. To assist us in our prayer efforts we will be using the book **Dynamite Prayer: A 28 Day Experiment**. In ancient Greek, the word *dunamis*, means "power". It is the root from which we get the word *dynamite*. We find this use of power throughout the New Testament. It is God's Life-giving and life-transforming power. When the church prays, God's power is released. When the church prays, spiritual victories are won. When the church prays, the spiritually dead are brought to life. When the church prays, the church is filled with the Spirit of God.

You are invited to join me for this month of prayer. There are copies of the book **Dynamite Prayer** at the church. I encourage you to pick one up for your personal use. The book is not focused on learning information about prayer. Rather, it focuses on putting prayer into practice. Each day has a brief reading and then offers prompts to guide your praying. I will begin my 28-day prayer experiment on May 1. If you are not able to start that day, do so when you can.

As a part of our prayer focus, we will be offering two one-hour prayer gatherings. One will be May 11 and the other is May 17. You are invited to join us in the chapel at 6:00 p.m. as we gather to pray. Suggested prayer themes will be available.

Throughout these 28 days, let us pray with faith, trusting God to touch our lives as well as the lives of many others. May the power of God freely flow through God's people as we are open and obedient to the Spirit's movement. James 5:16b says, **"The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective."**

With You on the Journey,

Pastor Bob

Worship

Jesus has blessed his church with resurrection power. This "dunamis" power, when released, restores life, sets captives free, and advances God's Kingdom. God's power is made real through the ministry of the Holy Spirit. During the month of May, our worship focus will be on prayer and the Spirit's ministry. Our worship themes and foundational Scriptures are listed below to assist you in preparing for Sunday worship. Join us throughout May as we seek God together through prayer.

May 7 (Communion Sunday)

Foundational Scripture: Acts 1:8

Theme: Dynamite Prayer and the
Holy Spirit's Impact

May 14

Foundational Scripture: Ephesians 3:16-19

Theme: Dynamite Prayer and the
Holy Spirit's Presence

May 21

Foundational Scripture: Matthew 6:5-18

Theme: Dynamite Prayer and the Holy Spirit's
Power

May 28

Foundational Scripture: Colossians 1:11-14

Theme: Dynamite Prayer, the Holy Spirit,
and Our Posture



Good Friday Carrying the Cross



Pictures from Good Friday, to Easter, and the Baptisms on April 16th. At right, pictures from Maunday Thurs. meal

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Scholarship applications are now available and are located on the Welcome Center in the foyer. The deadline for the application is May 28th. Scholarships can be received for 2 years. Please turn in completed forms to the church office. If you have any questions contact James Southworth.



Mark Your Calendars: **Children & Youth Ministry News**
2023 VBS dates:
July 17-21
Camp Dates:
June 12-15



Pen Pals & Pizza Dinner

We are having a dinner for everyone with a pen pal on May 24th at 5:00 p.m. If you would like your child to have a pen pal, now is a great time to start. Please let James know ASAP so he can get an adult set up to be a pen pal before the dinner.



United Women in Faith News

Thank You everyone who donated items or helped in any way with the rummage sale. It was a huge success, raising over \$600 for missions. Another yard sale is being planned for June. If you haven't done your spring cleaning yet, you can drop items off at the garage in the back parking lot when you do get started.

Mother/Daughter/Friend Dinner: Sat., May 13, 5:30. Reservations can be made from April 30th to May 7th.

BAKE SALE: Sisters in Faith will be having a bake sale after church Sunday, May 21st.

Summer Reading Challenge will begin in June. If you would like to be on a team, please sign up at your circle meeting in May or contact Alta, Karen, or Searoba. More information in the June



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
Tuesday, May 9, 4:00 p.m.
UWF Board Meeting, Chapel
Thursday, May 11, 7:00 p.m.
Esther Circle
Saturday, May 13, 5:30 p.m.
Mother/Daughter/Friend Dinner
Monday, May 15, 6:30, Susannah Wesley
Thursday, May 18, 9:00 a.m.
Faith Circle, Chapel
Thursday, May 25, 6:00 p.m.
Sisters in Faith

Prayer Focus: May– Mothers & Graduates
Summer Book Study: June 1, Jul 6, Aug 3.
UWF Personal Growth Meeting: June 14
UWF Ice Cream Social: Fri., July 21

Sunday Morning Door Monitoring Training

On May 7th, right after worship, the Trustees will be providing a brief training session for those who help monitor the doors to the church. If you have signed up to help with this ministry or are interested in helping out, this would be helpful for you.

Dear Friends at First United Methodist,
We are so grateful for your continued support of ZZZ Ministries. Thank you for your partnership in our endeavor to reach many with the Gospel and then disciple them according to our Lord's command to go and make disciples. ZZZ Ministries continues to grow but we give all the credit to our Lord Jesus Christ because He loved us first. May the grace of our Lord be with you. May your hearts be filled with joy! With much gratitude and love, Jim and Jan

News from Connie Wieck

I've received quite a few who are wondering about my next placement through our United Methodist Global Ministries. I, too am eager to know what will be offered for my continued service to the church. Rev. Paul Kong, my Asia Director, and Rev. Judy Chung, missionary service director, have explained to me the process. Whether a new or former placement, it will take time to fully iron out the job description, formally receive an invitation from our partner organization in that country, have the position approved by our General Secretary, Roland Hernandez, create the Global Ministries contract for all to sign, and then prepare me for language study and further education if necessary, as well as have my things in China shipped. There will also be my work visa to acquire, which depends on the country how long it will take. In other words, it will not be a speedy process.

In the meantime, I am to continue in my USA position as Mission Advocate. For one month, I'll be teaching an online English course with our newly-commissioned GMFs (Global Mission Fellows). GMFs are young people, ages 20-30, who have applied for a 2 year missionary position in justice-oriented internships around the world. Six are non-native English speakers so I will be Zooming with them in 6 sessions to increase their language skills so they can better gain support among USA churches.

I'll also be speaking at IGRC's Annual Conference as a Global Ministries Representative, leading 2 seminars at our in-person Volunteer in Mission 4-day gathering and trying to figure out when to return to China, weed out my 100 boxes of things and ship on to the next assignment.

As always, thank you for your continued support, words of encouragement and prayers. All are greatly appreciated.

May Mission—Blanket the World with Love

When you purchase a church Church World Service (CWS) blanket for \$10, you are giving a tangible sign of compassion, love and hope to those whose lives have been disrupted by flood, famine, earthquakes, wars and other life-altering tragedies.

To support this vital mission, your help is needed. In the lower entryway of First UMC, there is a bulletin board for you to place the name or names of a woman you wish to honor or remember who has influenced your life. A contribution for each name will purchase a CWS blanket for those in need.

04 Everly Eitel	14 Jamie Schneider	03 Rev Bob & Barb Sabo
04 Sally Mallory	15 Bria Lake	04 Bob & Joyce Smithson
04 Larry Strohm	15 Garvin Manhart	10 Tim & Lesa Trudeau
05 Jen Crumrin	18 Dan Harper	12 Jon & Gail Glick
05 Janet Eitel	19 Gail Glick	19 John & Linda James
06 Paul Cannady	20 Tim Trudeau	19 Garvin & Barb Manhart
07 Evadene Crumrin	25 Tom Hintz	20 Shan & Ann Smith
08 Brian Macke	27 Ivy Claypool	26 Mike & Carole Henderson
10 Lesa Trudeau	27 Oakley Claypool	26 Kyle & Adrienne Hutson
13 Tiffany Macke	29 Robin Lake	29 Russ & Karen Haenig
13 Dennis Miller	29 Flossie Rhoads	
14 Logan Brown	31 Debbie Miller	
14 Marilyn Flowers		

MAY Birthdays & Anniversaries

Thank You!

We have also received thank you letters from Midwest Mission, UMCOR, and Solar Oven, Inc., for our first quarter mission contributions.

Sowing Seeds of God's Kindness Day!
Join us on May 7th as we go into the community to sow seeds of God's kindness. Join us at the church at 4:00 p.m. We will then go out and share God's love through several acts of kindness. This is a great ministry event for the whole family!

Your Input is Needed!
The Building Committee has formed a survey to gather needed information from the congregation. The survey will be available beginning Sunday, April 30. It will also be emailed to the church family and be available in the church office. Please be sure to complete a survey and return it to the church office no later than May 14. Your input is wanted and needed. For more information, please contact Wayne Heighton.

First Tuesday of each month - 9:00 a.m., The Holy Grounds Coffee Group meets for breakfast at The Marshall Family Restaurant. Everyone is welcome to join us!
Second Tuesday of each month - 2:00 p.m., The Holy Grounds Coffee Group meets at The Villas of Holly Brook for coffee and fellowship with the residents of Holly Brook.
Third Tuesdays - 9 am, The Holy Grounds Coffee Group meets at Gypsy Queen

James & Kourtney welcomed their new addition to the family when Levi Daniel Southworth was born April 25th. Congratulations James, Kourtney, Anna, & Isaac!



If you are interested in serving on Sundays as a volunteer, please see those listed below to sign up:
Charlie Moore for ushers
Mary Ann Stepp for greeters
Danielle Cline for acolytes
Jody Green for nursery.
Our thanks to all of our volunteers for serving in these ministries.



Fourth Tuesday— May 23, Holy Grounds Coffee will

This Month's Sunday Volunteers	
Sound System:	?
Greeters:	All Month—David & Dianne Rardin
Ushers:	All Month - Jackie & Gale Titus Sally Mallory
Acolytes:	5/7— Dylan Daugherty, Chase Paulsen 5/14— Cooper Morey, Augy Schneider 5/21- Trenton Bullock, Emmett Maurer 5/28—Hunter Lovstad, Briar Bishop
Nursery:	5/7—Jenna Morey, Dana Ramsey 5/14 –Ken & Nancy Claypool 5/21 --Fred & Janet Eitel 5/28—Amy & Kaylee Daugherty

May 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Sunday Worship Time:</p> <p>9:00am Morning Worship 10:15am Sunday</p>	<p>1</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Exercise 9:00 a.m. Yoga</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Holy Grounds Breakfast at Marshall Family Restaurant 6:00 p.m. SPRC</p>	<p>3</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Power Lunch</p> 	<p>4</p> <p>National Day of Prayer</p>	<p>5</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Exercise</p>	<p>6</p> 
<p>7 Communion Sunday</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Worship Service Door Monitor Training after Worship 10:15 a.m. Sunday School 4:00 p.m. Sowing Seeds of God's Kindness 4:00 p.m. UMYF Jr. 5:15 p.m. UMYF LAST DAY TO MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR MOTHER/DAUGHTER/FRIEND MEAL</p>	<p>8</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Exercise 9:00 a.m. Yoga</p>	<p>9</p> <p>2:00 p.m. Holy Grounds Coffee Group at Holly Brook 4:00 UWF Board 6:00 p.m. SPRC 7:00 p.m. Esther Circle</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Prayer Gathering 7:00 p.m. Esther Circle</p> 	<p>12</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Exercise</p>	<p>13</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Mother/Daughter/Friend Dinner</p>
<p>14</p> <p>7:00 a.m. UMM Co-Op Breakfast 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:15 a.m. Sunday School 4:00 p.m. UMYF Jr. 5:15 p.m. UMYF</p> <p>Building Surveys Due.</p> 	<p>15</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Exercise 9:00 a.m. Yoga 6:30 p.m. Susannah Wesley Circle</p>	<p>16</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Holy Grounds Coffee Group at The Gypsy Queen 6:00 p.m. Finance Committee 7:00 p.m. Trustees</p>	<p>17</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Prayer Gathering</p>	<p>18</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Faith Circle</p>	<p>19</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Exercise</p>	<p>20</p>
<p>21</p> <p>9:00 am Worship Service 10:15 a.m. Sunday School Sisters in Faith Bake Sale 2:00 p.m. Marshall High School Baccalaureate 4:00 p.m. UMYF Jr. 5:15 p.m. UMYF</p>	<p>22</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Exercise 9:00 a.m. Yoga 6:00 p.m. Building Committee Signup deadline for Sr. Lunch @ the Silo</p>	<p>23</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Holy Grounds Coffee Group at The Silo/Roosters 6:00 p.m. Church Council</p>	<p>24</p> <p>5:00 p.m. Pen Pal & Pizza Party</p>	<p>25</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Sisters in Faith</p>	<p>26</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Exercise 7:00 p.m. Marshall High School Graduation</p>	<p>27</p> 
<p>28</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:15 a.m. Sunday School 4:00 p.m. UMYF Jr. 5:15 pm UMYF</p>	<p>29 OFFICE CLOSED</p> 	<p>30</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Holy Grounds Coffee @ FUMC Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>31</p>			