

First United Methodist Church
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October 2025

Sent with a prayer to:

Join us for Worship!
Worship with us every
Sunday morning at 9am &
Wednesday at 4:30pm
Watch our Sunday service LIVE on our
Facebook page.
Previous Sunday Services are
available to view on our website
lindstrommethodist.org

First United Methodist Church
We are here to help!
Church Office Hours:
Monday, Wednesday & Friday
9am - 2pm
Church Office Email:
office@lindstrommethodist.org
Pastor Jay's Email:
revjeong@gmail.com





Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) is a christian non-profit whose mission is that “Through God, FMSC will strive to eliminate malnutrition and starvation in children throughout the world by helping to instill compassion in a generation that hears and responds to the cries of those in need until all are fed.” They believe that hope starts with food. Serving the world’s most undernourished populations, FMSC works with food distribution partners that stay with communities for the long haul, empowering them to move from relief to development. MannaPack meals are developed by food science and nutrition professionals to supplement nutritional needs and reduce problems with malnutrition. Nutrition allows children to grow, thrive and develop to their full potential. FMSC has sent food to 110 countries since 2009.

How much can we raise together to help feed children in body and spirit this month?
Each meal costs less than 30 cents and 88% of funds are spent directly on meal production giving them an excellent charity accountability rating.

- \$106 feeds a child for a year
- \$424 feeds a family for a year
- \$2255 feeds a class for a year

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We are hoping to bring 20 volunteers to our session.

“The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor.” – Proverbs 22:9

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 9am - 9am - Sunday Worship 10am - Sunday School	29 10am - Bible Study - Book of 4pm - Free Community Meal @	30 1pm - Stephen Ministries Team 6:30pm - Torah Club	1 1:30pm - Outreach Committee 2:30pm - Confirmation (gr 6-8) 4pm - K-5 Youth Group 4:30pm - WORSHIP Service - Oper 5pm - Congregational Meal 6pm - Praise Practice	2 6:30pm - Bible Study - John	3	4
5 World Communion Sunday 9am - 9am - Sunday Worship 10am - Sunday School 10:30am - Children's Shop Day	6 10am - Bible Study - Book of 4pm - Free Community Meal @	7 1pm - Stephen Ministries Team 2pm - Point Pleasant - Worship 6:30pm - Torah Club	8 2:30pm - Confirmation (gr 6-8) 4pm - K-5 Youth Group 4:30pm - WORSHIP Service - Oper 5pm - Congregational Meal 5:30pm - Safe Sanctuaries - All	9 6:30pm - Bible Study - John	10	11
12 9am - 9am - Sunday Worship 10am - Sunday School	13 10am - Bible Study - Book of 4pm - Free Community Meal @	14 1pm - Stephen Ministries Team 5:30pm - Worship Team 6:30pm - Torah Club 6:30pm - Trustees 7pm - SPRC	15 2:30pm - Confirmation (gr 6-8) 4pm - K-5 Youth Group 4:30pm - WORSHIP Service - Oper 5pm - Congregational Meal	16 MEA - Chicago Schools 6:30pm - Bible Study - John	17 MEA - Chicago Schools 9am - Chicago Age Well @ CLHS	18
19 Lily Sunday Pastor Appreciation Sunday 9am - 9am - Sunday Worship 10am - Sunday School	20 10am - Bible Study - Book of 4pm - Free Community Meal @	21 1pm - Stephen Ministries Team 6:30pm - Torah Club	22 2:30pm - Confirmation (gr 6-8) 4pm - K-5 Youth Group 4:30pm - WORSHIP Service - Oper 5pm - Congregational Meal 5:30pm - Finance 6pm - Church Council	23 6:30pm - Bible Study - John	24	25 11am - FMSC - Meal Packing
26 Reformation Sunday 9am - 9am - Sunday Worship 10am - Sunday School	27 10am - Bible Study - Book of 4pm - Free Community Meal @	28 1pm - Stephen Ministries Team 6:30pm - Torah Club	29 2:30pm - Confirmation (gr 6-8) 4pm - K-5 Youth Group 4:30pm - WORSHIP Service - Oper 5pm - Congregational Meal 5:30pm - Rule of Christ Worship -	30 6:30pm - Bible Study - John	31	1

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - CHURCH COUNCIL - 9/17/2025

First United Methodist Church Council - As followers of Jesus Christ, we will proclaim the message of God's kingdom and bring hope to a hurting world beginning in Chisago County.
MINUTES 9.17.2025

- Attendees: Pr. Jay, Emily Honerbrink, Verna Hultman, Tina Sparby, Rebecca Ervasti, Dari Ferguson
- Devotion & Prayer: Finance (Hultman) Romans 1: 18-21

• Committee Reports

Finance (Hultman): Currently \$15,000 short on giving (vs. budget), October is Stewardship month so looking forward to getting pledges. Apportionment payments on hold.

Trustees (Jones): Bitworks (cybersecurity and computer backup) no longer available; cost was \$70/month, estimates coming in around \$240 a month for replacement.

Foundation (Ferguson): No report - Adult discipleship (Ervasti): See bookmark behind handed out, starting Book of John bible study, available online and in-person. Looking for volunteers to lead or join a team to explore a future mission organization to partner with, contact Rebecca if interested. -

Outreach (Prindle): Will have a table at the AgeWell expo on October 17th with info on upcoming church events, Stephen's ministry and HELP. Shop Day coming up, see Tami R. For more information; Outreach team will assist. All Saint's Day, working with worship committee to finalize plans. Living Nativity: Outreach not taking lead, but can assist. **NOTE FROM COUNCIL:** We'd like to have this event again, if interested in leading please contact Erin in the Office or any member of Council.


SPRC (Sparby): Posting job description for Wednesday night coordinator, if you know of someone who would be a good fit (5 hours a week, must be available starting at 2:30p Wednesdays) please reach out to Tina Sparby or the Office. • Old business - Directory Updates: Working on updating addresses and phone numbers. Membership listing is currently outdated (last updated 2023).

Working on cleaning up records and programs. Looking to record who is a member or a frequent attendee, who has been baptized. Look for upcoming opportunities to confirm your information soon. **2025-2026 Children's Ministry** Update/Name: Worship on Wednesday Revival (WoW Revival!). First night went great, have a few things to adjust (like having an open sign on external door) but energy was wonderful. **Nomination Committee:** Need six people who are gifted at discerning individual's gifts and talents to help fill and support Council-led committees. Contact Office or any member of Council or SPRC.

• **New business** - Baptism schedule: Baptism is a one-way gift from God with no strings attached, goal is for all people to be baptized regardless of age. Will hold baptisms first Sunday of every month, so if you haven't been baptized, or know someone who hasn't, please have them contact Erin in the Office. Will have a short (1-2 hour) class for kids/parents. Can also drop a note in the offering plate.

Council Meeting schedule: Will try Wednesday night, time frame again, would love to draw more people (especially adults in the congregation!) to Wednesday Night Worship Revival!, so holding council right after service and meal ideal but understand conflicts. **NOTE:** Next Council meeting October 22nd, 6pm.

• **Pastor Report:** Wednesday staff meetings going well, talk about people, worship, communications. Lots of interruptions for HELP program, could use more volunteers. Monthly nursing home service going well (Point Pleasant), continuing study for Clergy Education. Funeral for Larry Knopf was held, praying for his family. Continuing to help those hospitalized. Need confirmation volunteers for field trips.

 **First United Methodist Church**
2025-2026
Program Year

Bible Studies

Mondays – 10 – 11:30am,
Revelations,
Dr. David Jeremiah, video and
study guide –
meet in the FUMC Lounge.

Thursdays – 6:30 – 8:15pm,
The Gospel of John,
by N.T. Wright – meet at FUMC
Lounge and online -Google
Meet email to join:
rebecca.ervasti@gmail.com

Advent Study – November 30
through December 24 – study
on your own or in small groups.

Lenten Study – February 18 –
April 2, 2026 – Dynamite Prayer

Community Conversations –
Lindstrom Town Hall, February
19, 2026, 6:30 -8:00pm.
Understanding Racial Inequities:
It's Negative Impacts on Blacks
and Whites.

June Mission – for adults, youth,
and families. We welcome the
congregations' suggestions on
local or regional organizations
we may connect with to develop
a long-term partnership.

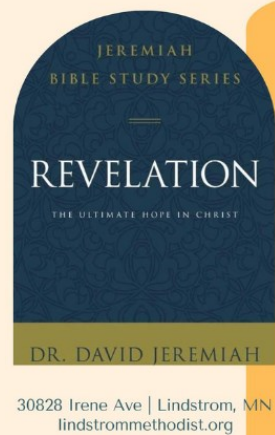
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Bible Study

Join us Mondays
Beginning
Sept 8, 2025
10:00 -11:30am

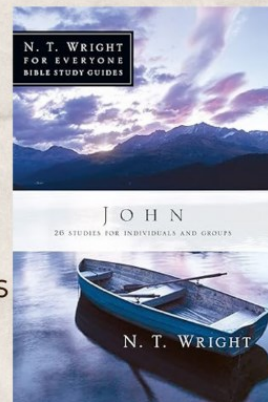
We will be studying the book "Revelation -The
Ultimate Hope in Christ" and viewing the series
The Coming Golden Age by Dr David Jeremiah

Books will be available in the Church office. For
more information please contact Tami Rehbein



John Bible Study

Book of John Study - Study the Book
of John on Thursday evenings
beginning September 18 6:30pm -
8:00pm. In-person and Online options
available. Please contact Rebecca
Ervasti for more information.



Saturday - Oct 25th
Meet at Church at 11:00am
11:45 am-1:45 pm
FMSC - Coon Rapids, MN

Contact Adrienne Stegmeir
for more info

This is a family friendly opportunity
and children ages 5 and older are
welcome to attend with an adult.
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Meals on Wheels - Driver Schedule

Coordinator: Bonnie Bielicki 651-470-8806

October 1 - Mike & Lenora Madigan
October 2 - Paul Robinson
October 3 - Jack Danielson & Gary Gerke
October 6 - Michelle Gillespie
October 7 - Carol Carlson
October 8 - Fred & Barb Prindle
October 9 - Fred & Barb Prindle
October 10 - Bonnie Bielicki
October 13 - Phil & Joan DeMunck
October 14 - Greg McCarthy
October 15 - Irve & Dorothy Lecy
October 16 - Jeff & Sue Meinholz
October 17 - Duane & Debby Lee
October 20 - Paul Robinson
October 21 - Greg McCarthy
October 22 - Dick Berglund & Wally Ostlie
October 23 - Mike & Lenora Madigan
October 24 - Jack Danielson & Gary Gerke
October 27 - Phil & Joan DeMunck
October 28 - Grace Schmidt
October 29 - Duane & Debby Lee
October 30 - Irve & Dorothy Lecy
October 31 - Fred & Barb Prindle



THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING!



Happy Birthday

Bryson HonerbrinkOctober 1
Shirley Knopf.....October 2
Keith Green..... October 2
Pat Kertzscher.....October 4
Kirsten Olson..... October 4
Lloyd Jones.....October 10
Kelsey Olson.....October 15
Cruz Forcier..... October 21
Molly Hultman October 23
Sharlene Arnold.....October 24
Mark Vanderwerf October 30



 **FIRST UNITED**
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Safer Sanctuaries Meeting

Wed - October 8th

5:30-6:00pm

For ALL Youth Volunteers

Questions? - Pastor Jay

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Join us

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CHILDREN'S SHOP DAY

Saturday, November 15
10am - 12:30pm

Kids- Shop for gifts for loved ones!
EVERYTHING \$1.00
Limit 8 items per child
Our helpful elves will wrap your gifts!

Coffee & Cookies will be served

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CONFIRMATION CLASS SCHEDULE

2025 - 2026

September 17

September 24

October 1

October 8

October 14 (Tue)

October 22

October 25

October 29

November 5

November 12

November 19

November 26

December 3

December 10

December 13 (Sat)

December 17

December 24

December 31

January 7

January 14

January 21

January 28

February 4

February 11

February 18

February 25

March 4

March 11

March 18

March 25

April 2 (Thu)

April 3 (Fri)

April 8

April 15

April 22

May 3

Orientation

Class #1 "The Bible"

Class #2 "Creation"

Class #3 "Sin"

Revival Nights Event (7pm, Minneapolis, MN)

Class #4 "Redemption"

Feed My Starving Children (12:00-1:45 Coon Rapids, MN)

Class #5 "Holy Spirit"

Class #6 "Church"

Prep - Thanksgiving Eve

Thanksgiving Eve Rehearsal

Thanksgiving Eve Service - Confirmation Students Lead

Advent Devotion

Watch Nativity

MnTC Christmas Concert

Confirmation Christmas Party with mentors

No Class - Christmas Eve

No Class - New Years Eve

Class #7 "Way of Discipleship"

Class #8 "Way of Salvation"

Class #9 "Wesleyan Quadrilateral"

Class #10 "Worship"

Class #11 "Sacrament"

Prep - Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday Service

Lenten Devotion #1

Lenten Devotion #2

No Confirmation (Spring Break)

Prep - Holy Week

Watch the Passion

Maundy Thursday

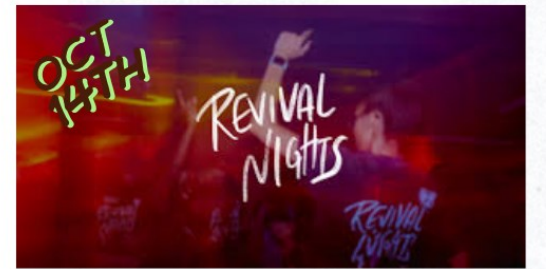
Good Friday

Class #12 "Living a Holy Life"

Class #13 "Renounce, Reject, Repent"

Prep for Confirmation

Confirmation Sunday



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