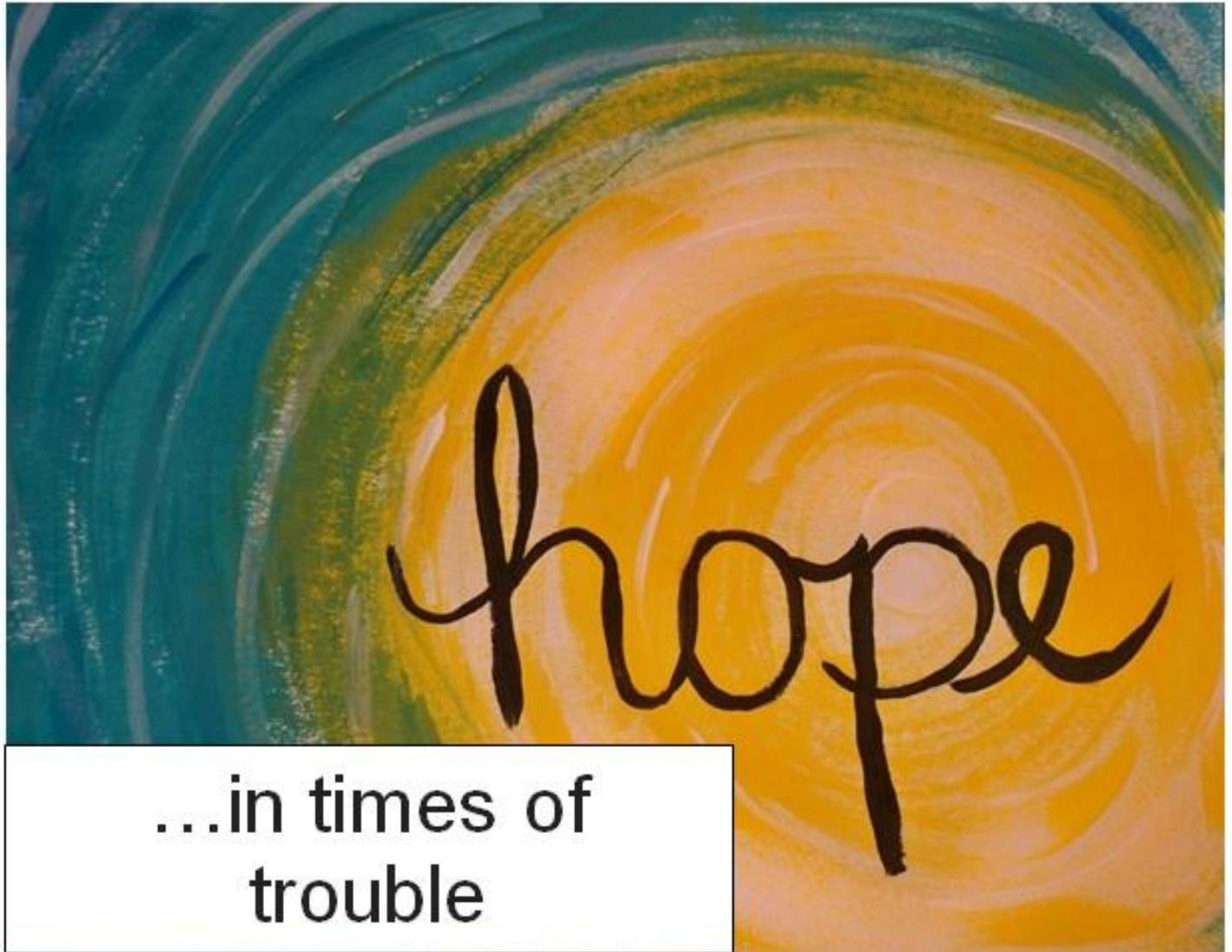


October 31, 2021



Worship ~ We Welcome & Affirm Everyone

First Church - A Reconciling Congregation

First United Methodist Church, at the top of 10th Street in downtown Des Moines, strives to love others as Christ loves us and, in doing so, to be the Body of Christ in word and deed.

As the Body of Christ, we welcome and affirm all of God's children, knowing that each is created in the image of God. We welcome and affirm people of all gender identities, sexual orientations, ages, races, ethnicities, family configurations, and physical and mental capabilities to join us in full participation as we come together to worship God and then go out to share God's love in the world around us.

First United Methodist Church

10:30 a.m.

October 31, 2021

Des Moines, IA

SERVICE OF WORD

*As you are able, please stand wherever there is an *.*

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

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| Prelude | Medley – “Prelude” “Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring” Lonnie Liggitt, Organ | Henry Purcell J.S. Bach |
| Welcome and Announcements | | Christine Anders |
| Centering Moment | Now Is Where God Lives | by Ben Allaway |

Congregation: **Now is where God lives**
 Now is where love happens
 Now the Spirit of wholeness can breathe
 Now is where God lives

*Call to Worship

Come, let us present ourselves before our God.

Bring all your troubles and anxiety to God in prayer.

Surely God knows our thoughts and hears our prayers.

We find hope and strength for living as we praise God.

Lay down your arrogance and false pride.

Admit your needs as you seek God’s favor.

We pour out our souls before the living God.

We do not withhold from God our misery and distress.

God grants our petitions and gives us peace.

The counsel of our God gladdens our hearts.

In God’s presence there is fullness of joy.

As we meet, we are encouraged and comforted.

by Lavon Bayler

*Hymn Sanctuary

Chorus: **Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for You.**

**It is you, Lord, who came to save the heart and soul of every one.
It is you Lord who knows my weakness, who gives me strength with
thine own hand.**

Chorus: **Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for You.**

**Lead me on Lord, from temptation, purify me from within.
Fill my heart with, your Holy Spirit, take away all my sin.**

Chorus: **Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for You.
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PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Old Testament Reading – Jeremiah 33:14-16

Christine Anders

After the reading:

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Music Ministry

“The Trouble I’ve Seen” (Psalm 13)
The Chancel Choir

Traditional Spiritual
arr. Ben Allaway

*Gospel Reading – Luke 21:25-36

Tom Gruis

After the reading:

The Word of God for the people of God!
Praise to the living Word!

Children’s Time

Ben Allaway

Good News Message

“Hope in Times of Trouble”

Pastor Edgar

Prayers of the People

People: **Lord, we want to follow you. Be with us as we journey together the pathways of discipleship. Be at work in our lives as we strive to become the disciples you have called us to be.**

Pastoral Prayer

Christine Anders

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

[New Zealand Prayer Book]

Eternal Spirit Earth-Maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all. Loving God, in whom is heaven. The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe! The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the earth! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

Ministry of Sharing

Offertory Invitation

Caring Committee

Offertory Prayer

SENDING FORTH

*Hymn Trading My Sorrows

**I'm trading my sorrows, I'm trading my shame
I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord
I'm trading my sickness, I'm trading my pain
I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord
And we say yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes, Lord
Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes, Lord
Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes, Lord. Amen.**

Commission and Blessing

Go forth in confidence that God remembers you.
Go in peace, knowing you will find blessings in abundance.

God is with us wherever we go.

We seek to recognize God's presence in every situation.

Live your lives in a continuing relationship of prayer.

Listen for the counsel God offers every day.

There is a word for us in every challenge of life.

God is always ready to provide His presence and love.

A new and living way opens before us.

We are learning to encourage our sisters and brothers with hope.

We seek to encourage one another with hope in God's promises.

We trust in Jesus Christ for our present and future.

Amen.

Amen.

*Benediction

Pastor Edgar

Chimes

Postlude

"Toccata in D Minor"
Lonnie Liggitt, organ

J.S. Bach

In-Person Fellowship Time to Resume Outdoors Today



The Re-entry Committee has requested outdoor Fellowship Time with coffee and treats after worship starting today. Pick up your coffee in Kenyon Hall and go outside for visiting. As the weather gets cooler, other spaces with distancing indoors will be explored. See you outside!

Please be considerate of all who use the church kitchen.



If you use the upstairs kitchen, please clean up after yourself. Do not leave used dishes draining and dirty towels on the counter. If the dishes in the dishwasher are clean, put them away and put your dirty dishes in. Thank you!

Today is the final Sunday we will be collecting personal hygiene and student kits, as well as cash donations for this year's Mission Ingathering. Cash gifts can be made online or by check payable to FUMC and designated for the Ingathering.

Volunteers are needed to help prepare and/or serve the evening meal for the **Central Iowa Shelter on Tuesday, November 2.** We prepare the meal that afternoon and serve the meal at the shelter at 6:30 p.m. If you are able to help, please contact Shirley at shirley.christoffersen@dnr.iowa.gov or call 276-3112.

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Worship Participants This Morning

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| Preaching: | Rev. Edgar F. Solís |
| Liturgist: | Christine Anders |
| Associate Organist: | Lonnie Liggitt |
| Pianist/Dir. Of Music: | Ben Allaway |
| Special Music: | The Chancel Choir |
| October Greeters: | Arnie Brown, Millie Wade |
| October Ushers: | Ned Johnson & Craig Strayer (Head Ushers) Ron Roulet |
| Nursery: | Renea Losee (Nursery not currently open) |
| Children's Church: | Laurie Hoskins (Coordinator) |
| Bus Driver: | Tammy Nelsen |