

January 16, 2022



Choosing community over isolation

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.

FUMC's Re-Entry Task Force has been monitoring the spiking infection rate in Polk County and has decided to switch to online worship for January 16 and 23.

Worship on-line with us on [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#) at 10:30 AM this Sunday, January 16, and again on January 23.

10:30 AM ***First United Methodist Church*** January 16, 2022 Des Moines, IA

SERVICE OF WORD

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

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude Ben Allaway

Welcome and Announcements Eloise Cranke

Centering Moment

*Call to Worship

How awesome to gather before God!

We are here to celebrate with wide-eyed wonder

The God of all worlds is with us.

Praise God for this time new beginnings

Praise God for all the signs of new life.

Praise God for all we can do together.

Praise God for the life and ministry of Jesus

Praise God for all who share the ministry today

Christ came to offer us abundant life.

We are here today to reclaim that gift.

We gather in the name of Jesus Christ

We want to follow in the steps of Jesus

By Lavon Bayler

* Hymn

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

*New Testament Reading – Acts:2:42-47

Eloise Cranke

After the reading:

The Word of God for the people of God.

Praise to the Living Word.

Children's time

Pastor Edgar

Good News Message

Sermon Series: Choices for a New Time

"Choosing Community Over Isolation"

Pastor Edgar

Prayers of the People

Eloise Cranke

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

Pastor Edgar

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, now and forever. Amen.

Christine Anders Farewell

Ministry of Sharing

Offertory Invitation

Pastor Edgar

Offertory Prayer

Eloise Cranke

SENDING FORTH

*Hymn

*Commission and Blessing

Let us devote ourselves to the Jesus Christ teaching.

Let us pray for our community and serve others with God's love.

We are willing to be present in our community.

We want to serve all people with the love of God.

God will lead us daily to share the good news to the people

We are open to learning to walk in solidarity with our community

In Christ, we discover the joy of service

We have decided to give for the good of all people

Amen.

Amen.

*Benediction

Pastor Edgar

*Chimes

Postlude

POSTPONED

Retirement Celebration and Reception

for

Christine Anders



***Postponed due to COVID.
Watch this space for a new date!***



Big Weekend Change in Date Reminder: Remember last week we announced that our Big Weekend is now scheduled for Feb 5-6 as we gather to frame our **vision for the future.**



Volunteers are needed next year to help prepare the CFUM Supper Club meals on the third Friday of each month. Shirley Christoffersen will be preparing a schedule so please let her know if you would like to help at 276-3112 or shirley.christoffersen@dnr.iowa.gov. Thank you!

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Worship Participants This Morning

Preaching:	Rev. Edgar Solís
Liturgist:	Eloise Cranke
Organist/Choir Dir.	Ben Allaway
AV Coordinator:	Angie Sadler
Greeters:	Arnie Brown, Millie Wade
Ushers:	Ned Johnson, Craig Strayer (Head Ushers) Ron Roulet
Nursery:	Renea Losee, Jill Fresh (Nursery not currently open)
Children's Church:	Laurie Hoskins (Coordinator)

First Church Staff

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