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**Office Hours:**

M-F from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

**Pastor Cheri's Office Hours**

MTW from 9-11 a.m.

Other times by appointment

**Week at a Glance:**

*Today* Worship 9

*Tuesday 5/14* Mission Meeting 9,  
 Fix It Squad 9-11, Bible Study  
 10, Trustees Meeting 6

*Wednesday 5/15-Friday 5/17*

Pastor Cheri on vacation

*Saturday 5/18* Flute Studio  
 Rehearsal 10, Youth Group  
 Supper & Game Night 5

*Sunday 5/19* Worship & Sound  
 Board Dedication 9, Ad Council  
 Meeting 10, Flute Studio  
 Recital 1

**Attendance Last Week:** 77

**Making a Difference with****Mission Opportunities:**

*Pop Can Donations:* RED BAND-  
 Grace Children's Hospital-Haiti  
*Food Pantry Item:* 100% Juice

**Today's Media Servants:**

Computer: Ann Russell  
 Sound Board: Debbie Dixon  
 Camera: Ken Nowak

**Prayer Concerns:**

Our World Leaders  
 Bishop Sally Dyck  
 DS Supt. Young-Mee Park  
 Pastor Cheri & Jon  
 Priscilla Wheeler  
 Steve  
 David  
 Collin R.  
 Ron Zellmer  
 Emily  
 Marc Desranleau  
 Ashlie Maloy  
 Pat Hess  
 Jo Olsen  
 Baby Chase  
 Kathy Schulz  
 Cashton  
 Steve Stone  
 Nadine Turnquist  
 Marta Scott  
 Ottawa PADS Shelter  
 Krista Duggan

**Long-Term Prayers:**

Sheila Hynd  
 Ken Geiger, Jr.  
 Pat Acuff  
 Korie  
 Ginny Woltering  
 Selena Meyers

**PVL:**

Stan & Maxine Twait  
 Shirley Boshell  
 Pat Wagner

**Prayers for Our Service Men &****Women:**

-Jake Hess is home and stationed  
 in San Diego  
 -Josh Papineau is currently serving  
 at Ft. Hood, Texas  
 -SFC Johnathan Oberholz is  
 currently serving in the Illinois  
 National Guard

**In Christian Sympathy:**

To the Carol Bookout family

# First United Methodist Church

## May 12, 2019



“Love, Faith, Grace, Devotion & Security!”

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## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

**Lighting of the Altar Candles** Acolytes  
**Music To Prepare Us For Worship** Sue Koeppel, Musician  
**Welcome/Announcements**  
**Mother's Day Reflection** "Unconditional Love" (Explore God)

† **Sharing Gathering Words** Carol Pearse, Liturgist  
Mothers come in many different forms, biological and relational. Today we celebrate them all!

**Thank God for mothers!**

Everyone here is either a son or a daughter.

**Thank God for my mother!**

For those women who have joined God in Heaven and whom we miss so dearly.

**Thank God for the mothers of the past.**

For every woman who is working day and night to raise her children right now.

**Thank God for today's mothers.**

For all the women who are expecting, but aren't quite mothers yet!

**Thank God for the soon-to-be-mothers.**

For the women who took in others' children through adoption and foster care.

**Thank God for the mothers with hearts so big.**

For those women who have lost a child to death and must carry on.

**Thank God for the mothers who are so strong.**

For all the women who have desperately wanted to have children of their own, but chose instead to mother everyone else.

**Thank God for the mothers in spirit. We thank you, Lord, for the women who have influenced our lives in so many ways. We pray that we will honor them in everything we do. Amen.**

† **Opening Prayer**

† **Opening Song** "The Gift of Love" # 408

**Joys & Concerns of the Community**  
**Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer** # 895  
**Choir Anthem** "Down to the River to Pray"  
Traci Willet, Director

**Today's Old Testament Scripture Reading**  
Psalm 139: 1-14 Carol Pearse, Liturgist

**Today's New Testament Scripture Reading**

Ephesians 6: 1-3

**Message**

"Love, Faith, Grace, Devotion & Security" Pastor Cheri

**The Invitation to Give Our Tithes and Offerings**

**The Offertory** "In His Time" Choir Anthem

**Prayer of Dedication** Pastor Cheri

† **Closing Song**

"Be Thou My Vision" (pastor's favorite hymn) # 451

† **Benediction & Sending Forth**

† **Music After the Service** Sue Koeppel, Musician

**Downstairs Hospitality:**

Jon Stewart

**Flowers:**

Given by Lorrie and David McCallister in honor of Joanne McCallister's birthday

**Greeters:**

Front Linda Asta

Side Jon Stewart

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