

FREE METHODIST CHURCH  
 350 E. Furnace Street  
 Platteville, WI 53818  
 Pastor Jeff Suits  
 March 3, 2019

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Prelude  
 Welcome  
 Life in the Church  
 \*Call to Worship                      Psalm 96:1-2; 4  
 \*Hymn                                      “Come, Christians, Join to Sing”                      #108  
 \*Invocation  
 \*Greeting One Another  
 \*Songs of Praise  
 Pastoral Prayer  
 Communion (Served in Pews/Chairs)  
 \*Song of Praise  
 Dismissal for Children’s Church  
 Worship Through Giving  
     Offertory    Karen Jensen  
     \*Doxology    #625  
 Scripture Reading                      1 Corinthians 3:10-17  
 Message                                      “Fireproof”  
 Prayer  
 \*Benediction

*\*indicates that the congregation should stand*

*Song Sheets- Printed copies of the lyrics for today’s Songs of Praise are in the Foyer and Wing*

*Please take a moment to fill out the yellow attendance form and place it unfolded in an offering plate when they are passed.*

*Thank you for worshiping with us today. Worship is a priority for us. Our services are prayerfully planned with the intent of helping each person in attendance connect with God in a meaningful way. Our style of worship is one that blends the great hymns of the faith with newer praise and worship songs, seeking to relate to the varying preferences within our church family.*

Sunday:	Sunday School	9:30 am
	Worship Service	10:30 am
	Evening Service	6:00 pm
	Celebrate Recovery	6:00 pm
Wednesday:	Family Night	6:30 pm
Alternate Thursdays:	Women’s Bible Study	1:00 pm

Adult Sunday School Classes:  
 Sonshine Center---Book of Hebrews---Teacher: Mark Christopher  
 Sanctuary Wing---Book of John----Teacher: Stan Ewing

Nursery and Toddler Nursery is for ages three and under  
 This Week: Deb Hamm, Jessica Gottschall, Michelle Eaches  
 Next Week: Craig Humphreys, Luke Gottschall, Liberty Johnston  
 Usher Next Week: Gary Munson & Chuck Virtue  
 Financial Tellers Next Week: Gary Munson & Lea Goodney

**COMMUNION** - This morning we will celebrate Holy Communion. If you are trusting in the Lord Jesus as your Savior and desire to continue walking closely with Him, you are welcome at His table. You need not be a member of this congregation to participate.

**BENEVOLENCE OFFERING** - Each Communion Sunday we receive a Benevolence Offering to assist those within and from outside our church who find themselves in crisis situations. You may place your offering in one of the Benevolence Boxes as you leave the sanctuary this morning. Benevolence offerings may be made at any time, not just on Communion Sundays.

**SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICE** – Come and join us at 6:00 p.m. for some singing, prayer and some discussion about the recent United Methodist decision on homosexuality and gay marriage.

**SOCIETY MEETING** immediately following morning worship. Members and nonmembers absent last Sunday will be able to cast a ballot for the pastoral vote. There will also be an election for two delegates and a reserve delegate.

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** is seeking more substitute teachers. If you are interested, please contact Rebecca Fohner.

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** - Parents are reminded that children will stay in the classroom downstairs until a family member comes to get them.

**HELPING HANDS**-Monday and Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. at the Sonshine Center.

**WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY** at the Sonshine Center, Thursday at 1:00 p.m.

**DUBUQUE RESCUE MISSION** – Our church is serving the meal there on Saturday, March 9, 10:45AM-2:30PM. We will leave from the church parking lot and have lunch with the folks there after serving. If interested please contact Chris Hinds.

**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME** – Don’t forget to set your clocks ahead one hour next Saturday night.

**BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION** Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Sonshine Center.

**JUNIOR AND YOUNG TEEN CAMP** preregistration of \$40 should be sent directly to Sky Lodge by April 1<sup>st</sup> if you want a free t-shirt.

**LIGHT & LIFE MAGAZINE** is on the table in the foyer and wing. Pick up a copy.

**PRAY ABOUT MISSIONS**

**HIGHLIGHTING OUR MISSIONS GIVING**

**PRAYING FOR ASIA** Every road leads to an endless number of villages. Every village has a need. Every city has an endless stream of faces. And every face has a name. The numbers are staggering from our earthly perspective. More than 4 billion people, the vast majority adhering to Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam, or some form of animism or ancestor worship. All reach out beyond themselves for something more. We can give them Jesus. The Free Methodist Church has contacts or established ministries in at least 20 countries in Asia.

Prayer priorities: Pray for open hearts to receive the gospel, for opportunities and open doors to share, and for boldness and courage to share in the face of persecution and opposition. Pray for missionaries and leaders, both national and international. Pray also for mutually beneficial partnerships to form between the church in the USA and the church in Asia to support pastors, leaders, churches and ministries. Pray for God to provide Bibles for pastors and new believers.

**OTHER MISSION NEWS**

**AFRICA**-Praise the Lord for answered prayer! On Wednesday, February 20, a court case was settled that had stalled the construction of the Wesley Missionary Institute in Togo. Pray that there can now be rapid progress toward the construction of the storage/security building where someone will begin living and providing security for the materials stored there. Then, the construction on the first two buildings will begin -classrooms and dormitory. Pray specifically for God’s blessing on the construction, a protective divine hand on all workers, wisdom for Eli, the general contractor, and Yaovi and Olivier, contractors in cement and electricity.

**ASIA**- Area Director Eric requests continued prayer for the family of the pastor who was murdered in Southeast Asia recently. Also, pray for our other pastor in that area and the country leader. Pray for the church this pastor was leading. Pray for safety, courage, and peace. A small gift was given to the widow through the Love Asia fund.

**EUROPE**-Eduardo and Cindi Angelo, international missionaries in Portugal, ask us to join in prayer for the Lord to provide a new meeting space for the church in Lisbon.

**LATIN AMERICA**-Please continue in prayer for Paul Olver, husband of Area Director Delia NüeschOlver. Paul fell backward and headfirst down 14 steps. He has a pneumothorax and shattered bones in his left wrist/arm. Pray for his treatment and recovery at a hospital in Bogota, Colombia. Please pray for missionary J.R. Crouse (Ecuador) who was admitted to the hospital this week to receive a radioactive iodine treatment that is a follow-up procedure for the thyroid surgery he had in November. He should be released Thursday but will need to remain in semi-isolation for another week and a half. Pray for strength and peace for J.R. and Becky and the effectiveness of the treatment.

**INTERNATIONAL CHILD CARE MINISTRIES (ICCM)** Continue to pray for the nation of Haiti. ICCM staff in Haiti are all safe, but anxious as the unrest is not fully settled and because food and water are scarce. All our leaders are requesting prayer for the situation. Pray for ICCMs almost 5,000 sponsored children in Haiti to know God's peace during this time of uncertainty. Pray they will see God's hand of care, protection and provision, and that all schools will be able to reopen soon

**OUR MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK**

Ben & Csilla Spink - Romania

**PRAYING FOR LOCAL MINISTRIES**

Sky Lodge Christian Camp – Steve & Terry Hankins

**PRAYING FOR PLATTEVILLE**

Westview Methodist Church – Pastor Paul Glendenning

**OUR CHURCH FAMILIES**

Monday	The Curt McMahons
Tuesday	The Jim McMahons
Wednesday	Sue Meylor
Thursday	Cathy Mossholder
Friday	The Brad Mowrys
Saturday	The Gary Munsons
Sunday	The Dwight Nelsons

**SPECIAL NEEDS - PRAY FOR:**

1. President Trump, his administration, Congress, Supreme Court
2. Spiritual revival in the United States
3. Our military personnel– Brice Brooks, Bret McMahon, Christopher Harkness, Taylor Wiech and Vincent Anderson,
4. Neighbors, friends and family members who need to know Jesus
5. Persecuted believers that their ministry activities will remain undetected by authorities or others who wish to silence them
6. Steve & Carol Cook as they support Amy in her battle with cancer Please pray for Amy's salvation.
7. Our children and teens as they face many challenges with our culture
8. Families in our congregation that are struggling
9. Those recovering from surgery- Tom Butson, Mark Bader
10. Boris Pena for God's healing touch and wisdom for his doctors
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**PRAISE & ANSWERS:**

**"God's protection on the winter roads."** Back story: Susan and I were on Hwy 20 near Lena, Illinois last Sunday. An on-coming car sprayed slush onto our windshield blinding us for seconds. The slush froze on the glass. When I regained some visibility the yellow center line was in the middle of our car – we were in the oncoming lane. Thankfully no other cars were in that lane. I got onto the shoulder as quickly as possible and cleared the glass. It could have been a horrible crash. Praise God for safety. –Gary Munson

**A WEEK OF BIRTHDAYS**

3/3 Deborah Pulver  
3/6 Liberty Johnston  
3/7 Dennis Pulver  
3/8 Ginahong Lindahl  
3/9 Mark Christopher



**A WEEK OF ANNIVERSARIES**

NONE



**The Platteville Free Methodist Church exists for the purpose of:  
Magnifying JESUS through worship and the Word,  
Moving believers in JESUS toward maturity and ministry,  
and  
Making JESUS known to our neighbors and the nations.**

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**Prayer Chain** (Emergency): email at: pvlfmc@gmail.com or call Carolyn Johnston at 642-0018 or Janita Ewing at 348-9865.

**Bulletin Information:** Call Janita Ewing by Thursday afternoon at 348-9865 or email: ewingsj64@gmail.com

**Pastor Jeff's** day off each week is Monday.

**Copies** of today's service are available immediately following the service. Please ask the sound technician for a CD.

**Church Website:** Church monthly calendars, weekly bulletins and sermons are available at: [www.plattevillefreemethodist.org](http://www.plattevillefreemethodist.org)

