

FREE METHODIST CHURCH  
 350 E. Furnace Street  
 Platteville, WI 53818  
 Pastor Jeff Suits  
 August 25, 2019

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Prelude  
 Welcome  
 \*Call to Worship Psalm 113:1-3  
 \*Hymn "Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him" #9  
 \*Invocation  
 \*Greeting One Another  
 \*Songs of Praise  
 Pastoral Prayer  
 \*Song of Praise  
 Life in the Church  
 Dismissal for Children's Church  
 Worship Through Giving  
 Offertory Susan Suits  
 Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 10:1-13  
 Message "The Trouble With Idols"  
 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:	Adult Bible Study	6:30 pm

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

Nursery and Toddler Nursery is for ages three and under  
 This Week: Joyce Herr, Jenna Shea, Katie Shea  
 Next Week: Deb Hamm, Luke Gottschall, Craig Humphreys  
 Usher Next Week: Tom Hamm & Leon Pick  
 Financial Tellers Next Week: Eldon Pratt & Gordon Herr

**SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICE** - Come and join us at 6:00 pm for some singing, prayer, and a study and discussion about when it's good to run away.

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY** - A ministry for those struggling with hurts, habits and hangups - is held every Sunday evening at the Sonshine Center from 6:00-8:00 with fellowship starting at 5:30. Celebrate Recovery is for adults 18 years of age and older. We would love to have you join is if you feel you could benefit from this ministry.

**AWANA MEETING** Wednesday evening at the church at 6:30 p.m.

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY** Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. at the Sonshine Center.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will be meeting on Tuesday night, September 3<sup>rd</sup> 6:00 - 8:00 pm, at Karen Jensen's house (290 E Furnace St). We will be studying "Spiritual Warfare" through the end of November. Anyone interested is invited to join us.

**FAMILY NIGHT KICK-OFF** Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY-** The **Thursday Afternoon Women's Bible Study** will begin on Sept. 19. This year, we will start with a 5-week *NavPress Design for Discipleship Study: Foundations for Faith*. This is an ideal study to invite a friend to attend with you. Contact Cathy Mossholder at 348-5011 or cmossholder@centurytel.net to order a book [\$6.99] no later than 09/05. We will meet at the *Sonshine Center* from 1-3 on alternate Thursdays.

**"GUESS WHO'S COMING TO LUNCH"** event on Sunday, September 22. Please sign up to be either a host or guests by emailing Joyce Herr at gorjoyherr5@gmail.com or Nancy Butson at tnbutson@mhtc.net. If you don't have email, use the sign-up sheet in the foyer.

**ALL-CHURCH MUSICALE** -6:00p.m. September 15. So-you can sing or play but no one knows except you. This is your opportunity to join others in singing or playing that lifts up our Lord Jesus. Children and youth are encouraged to participate. Sign up in the foyer. Questions? See Stan Ewing.

**DAIRY DAYS CLEAN-UP:** Help needed to empty recycle bins after Dairy Days on Sunday, September 8, from 4:00-5:00PM. Contact Chris Hinds if interested.

**WOMEN'S RETREAT** September 27-29 at Sky Lodge. Brochures on the table in the foyer.

**LOST AND FOUND-** Please check out the table located in the wing.

**PRAY ABOUT MISSIONS**

**HIGHLIGHT OUR MISSION GIVING**

Across the continent, there are Africans spending their lives—day in and day out—without Christ. Across the continent, there are African Free Methodists who can tell the Good News of Jesus. Some are telling. But many are yet to begin. We are praying for great outpourings of the Holy Spirit that will set hearts on fire for Christ, fill mouths with the message of the love of God, and initiate a deeper disciple-making for everyone. We are praying these outpourings will bring new life to Free Methodist higher education institutions and pastoral schools. We are praying the Spirit will invigorate the witness of Free Methodist healthcare ministries and children's ministries. We are praying for the Spirit's leading and empowering of all Free Methodist boards of administration, committees, and chairpersons of all sorts. We are praying that countless Free Methodists will reach more Africans than we ever dreamed and that our missionaries will be used in the service of the Holy Spirit to see this done. Would you join us in these prayers?

**OTHER MISSION NEWS**

**AFRICA-**Please continue in prayer for missionary Ashley Carroll. She needs to receive her Kenyan work permit by the end of this month. She will go to the immigration office again on Thursday, August 22. Pray this visit will help move the process along. It will greatly simplify her life if she can move beyond the limitations of her visitors permit.

**ASIA-**Holy Light Seminary in Taiwan will begin a new semester soon. Pray for the new President, Dr. John Guu, and all the faculty, staff and students as they approach the new school year. Continue in prayer for the unrest in Hong Kong. Pray for God to come in a mighty way to a people who desperately need to know of the peace and freedom found in Jesus Christ. Pray for the ministry of the Hong Kong FM Church during these uncertain times. Missionary Roger Stone (Philippines) reports that after four days of recording, the team recording the Ayta Abellen translation has completed recording approximately 7% of the New Testament. Praise the Lord for answered prayer! Please continue praying for this process.

**EUROPE-**Zsuzsa McNamara, Set Free Leader in Hungary, was invited to organize a program on August 21 at a local Salvation Army shelter in Budapest. Pray for the children's program during the day, followed by a presentation to the women about safeguarding their children from human trafficking. Also, pray for the next Set Free prayer gathering on August 26. Ask the Lord to use these times to transform the lives of women and children in Budapest.

**LATIN AMERICA-**Eunice Alvarez is an international missionary from Mexico who is serving in Quito, Ecuador. Pray for a youth retreat that takes place this month and her work in pastoral formation and church planting. Also, pray for the processing of Pastora Eunice's two-year visa. Area Director Dr. Ricardo Gomez will lead a Pastoral Formation Seminar in Lota, Chile August 23-26. Pray for Dr. Ricardo as he teaches, for the safe travel of pastors coming from across Chile, and for the application of the teaching once they return to their communities.

**MIDDLE EAST**-Pray for partnerships with mental health practitioners in this region, as believers care for and empower victims of trauma, violence, and human trafficking. Pray the individuals being served will experience the profound healing and transformation of Jesus Christ

**OUR MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK**

Ben & Csilla Spink – Romania

**PRAYING FOR LOCAL MINISTRIES**

North Central Conference – Rev Mike Hopper, Conference Superintendent

**PRAYING FOR PLATTEVILLE**

Community Evangelical Free – Pastor Larry Lloyd

**OUR CHURCH FAMILIES**

Monday	The Don Ganders
Tuesday	The Keith Glassons
Wednesday	The Steven Goodmans
Thursday	Tim Goodney
Friday	The Tom Goodneys
Saturday	The Mark Gottschalls
Sunday	The Jacob Greens

**SPECIAL NEEDS - PRAY FOR:**

1. President Trump, his administration, Congress, Supreme Court
2. Spiritual revival in the United States
3. Our military personnel– Taylor Wiech, Brice Brooks, Bret McMahon , Christopher Harkness, and Vincent Anderson
4. Neighbors, friends and family members who need to know Jesus
5. Family members who need to know Jesus
6. Wisdom and direction for our three new Free Methodist bishops
7. Families in our congregation that are struggling
8. Those with health issues: Boris Pena, Darlene Dailey, Jerry Selleck, Mary Lou Nelson, Carol Frazer
9. Believers who are suffering because of political strife in such places as Democratic Republic of Congo and Haiti
10. Jim McMahon receiving radiation treatments
11. Bryce McMahon recovering from injuries in an accident
12. Matt Stephens and Boris Pena as they make plans as co-youth leaders
13. Teachers and students who are returning to school or going to college
14. Wisdom for those working in the new Awana program

**PRAISE & ANSWERS:**

1. God created us on purpose and for a purpose.
2. Thankful for the Bible – It guides me, comforts me and gives me hope.

**A WEEK OF BIRTHDAYS**

8/27 Delaney Johnston  
8/29 Joel Herr



**A WEEK OF ANNIVERSARIES**

8/27 Eldon & Connie Pratt (59 yrs)  
8/27 Joshua & Rebecca Fohner (8 yrs)  
8/30 David & Karen Spink (56 yrs)  
8/31 Gary & Susan Munson (46 yrs)



**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 noon at 348-9865 or email: ewingsj64@gmail.com

**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)

