

It is Good to Celebrate Milestones in Life

RECOGNITION OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Tara Bailey
Gabby Ontiveros
PRAYER OF BLESSING

It is Good to Hear God Speak

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Adagio” Carson Powers, Organist
from The New World Symphony, 1893 Anton Dvorak

SERMON

Pastor Aaron Ankeny

It is Good to Depart and Serve

***HYMN** “Your Love, O God, Has Called Us Here” (to tune Truro) 647

***BENEDICTION**

We have been made by God’s love to share God’s love.

And nowhere is this love stronger than married love.

We pray God’s blessing on each one of us,

With an added blessing on every marriage.

May the love we live be a convincing witness to others.

Amen.

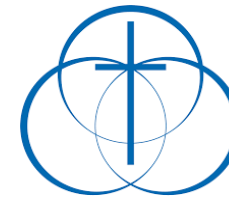
***POSTLUDE**

“All the Way My Savior Leads Me”
Early 19th Century American Hymn
(*Please stand where indicated)

Crosby/Lowry



**First Methodist Church
of Lake City**



OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To make disciples of Jesus Christ who
worship passionately,
love extravagantly,
and witness boldly.

OUR LOCAL MISSION GOAL

“that no child sleeps on the floor in our town.”

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MAY 19, 2024
11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

It is Good to Gather for Worship

We come to the house of God, a sanctuary from the world. Enter in reverent anticipation; seek in quiet meditation; rejoice in revelation; depart to serve.

PRESERVICE MUSIC “Go Light Your World” Amelia Tompkins
In Honor of our Graduates Tara & Gabby

CHIMING HOUR

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS Kathy Smith, Liturgist

It is Good to Seek God’s Presence

Take this opportunity to focus on God, and realize God’s Presence

PRELUDE “Pomp and Circumstance” Elgar, 1901
Celebrating our Graduates

SCRIPTURE READING *Joel 2:28-32 (NJB)*

²⁸ ‘After this I shall pour out my spirit on all humanity. Your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your old people shall dream dreams, and your young people see visions. ²⁹ Even on the slaves, men and women, shall I pour out my spirit in those days. ³² All who call on the name of Yahweh will be saved

HYMN OF INVOCATION “Holy Spirit, Come Confirm Us” 331

It is Good to Praise God and the Holy Spirit

CALL TO WORSHIP

O God! How great You are! We remember on the first day of the week Your Creation of the world and all You later placed in it.

Thank You for the light, and air and fire and water and land; the mountains and valleys and hot and cold and light and dark. Your world is an amazing blessing to live in.

O God! How great You are! On the first day of the week You raised Jesus from the dead in Life’s glorious victory.

Raise us with Him to Life Eternal in love and peace and joy and service.

O God! How great You are! Again, on the first day of the week You sent Your Holy Spirit to empower Your disciples at Pentecost.

Do not deprive us of Your Holy Spirit today. Pour out on us Your power and we will be Your ambassadors day by day.

HYMN OF PRAISE “Spirit of Faith Come Down” 332

It is Good to Profess Our Beliefs

PENTECOST AFFIRMATION OF GOD’S FULFILLED PROMISE

At Pentecost the Holy Spirit empowered all the believers who had gathered. Now today we also want to be as full of the Holy Spirit as the sea is full of water; as the wind is full of air; as a fire is full of flame. May the Holy Spirit animate our spirits for doing God’s Will, and guide us in the Truth of Christ.

The Holy Spirit is the witness of God’s Presence and Power for good. He comes with the rush of Heaven’s wind, and the burning fire of Divine Purity. He does not rest until He has revealed Christ as the Son of God. The Holy Spirit never fails; He is imperturbable in tribulation, indomitable in action, and invincible in evangelism. We celebrate the Holy Spirit here today, and surrender to the Holy Spirit’s guidance.

HYMN “Loving Spirit” Insert
PENTECOST PRAYER

It is Good to Give to God

CALL TO GIVING *Luke 12:33 (NLT)*

³³ “Sell your possessions and give to those in need. This will store up treasure for you in heaven! And the purses of heaven never get old or develop holes. Your treasure will be safe; no thief can steal it and no moth can destroy it.

(The offering plates are located at the exits)

OFFERTORY MUSIC “Trust and Obey” Ann Fortney, Solo
Sammie/Towner, 1867

***DOXOLOGY** 95
PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

Shoeboxes for kids are collected in mid November as an outreach by local churches and communities in conjunction with Samaritan's Purse. FMC is working on collecting items for the boxes now through October. Each month will focus on certain things but you can bring items at any time even if it's not something listed in that particular month.

Please visit the table in the narthex and pick up an information sheet with ideas that may be dropped off at any time. Monetary donations are also appreciated to help with shipping. Just make sure to write 'Christmas Shoebox' on your check on offering envelope.

In May, we are focusing on sunglasses, hair ties/ barrettes, and flashlights.

WEEKLY GIVING 5/12

Offering \$ 3,800

Gifts/Pledges \$ 3,290

Miscellaneous \$ 55

Sleep in Heavenly Peace \$ 350

Backpacks \$ 20

Samaritans Purse \$ 25

Outreach \$ 60

Vanco \$ 310

Attendance 76

Revenue through March \$ 62,372

Expenses through March \$ 62,064



Prayer Concerns



Homebound:

† Dot Pitman † George & Cookie Richardson † Sallie Rae Williams

Congregation Members in Need of Prayer:

† Frankie Powers † Pat Humphress † Don Stevens † Bill Poplin † The Jones Family-Glenn Jones, Sr. went to glory on 4/25/24 † Lorene Douberley

Homes and Rehabilitation:

Nancy Hunter-Solaris † Mark Giebeig-Baya Pointe † Cheryl Hammons-Willowbrook † Helena Powers-Solaris

Those serving in the Armed Forces:

† Curtis Crawford † Ryan Gabey † Morgan Gabey † Kyle Moisan

Our Friends and Relatives:

† Sandra Buck-Camp's friends, Alice G. St. John & Joan Crawford, veteran, WSMC † Peggy Ankeny's friend, Susan Walker † Sandra Buck-Camp's sister in-law, Dottie Henne † Carleen Van Sicklen † Dan Muckel † Sandra Buck-Camp's friend, Ottolie S. Glickman † Susan Lagoni † Bill Lagoni † Bailey's friend, Jason Harry † Lorene Douberley's granddaughter, Sarah Geer † Bailey's friend, Angie Ulsh and Joyce Ulsh † Dave Field † Gracie Howell † Katrina Counts † Callen Moore

Our Friends and Relatives with cancer:

† Riley Martin † Troy Cunningham † Anne Sandlin † Barbara Hagler † Lorene Douberley's son, Farrell Short † Annette Hall † Shane Beadles † Rob Sandlin † Family of Suzanne Melton who went to glory on 4/25/24

Please let us know if a name can be removed or added. Thank you.

If you are visiting with us today, please fill out the information below, tear off along the perforation and put this card in the offering plate.

We are honored you chose to join us for worship today.

Please Print your name (s) in this space:

Address

City/State/Zip

Phone

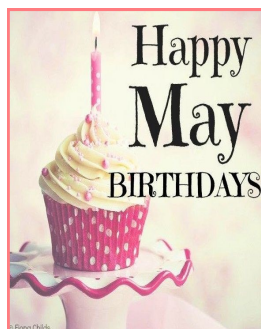
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Notes/Prayer Requests

[] Please check the box if you would like the name added to the Prayer Concerns list in the bulletin

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Tom Clark
- 3 Melissa Barber
- 5 Lavon Leszkiewicz
- 6 Terry Reiter
- 7 Morgan Gabey
Chad Stevens
- 8 Carol Stevens
- 9 AAron Ankeny
Kathy Smith
- 10 Steve Stafford, Sr.
- 12 Deonna Willis
Annabelle Barber
- 14 Haley Willis
- 21 Martha Jane Carter
Jennifer Pitman
- 25 Don Caldwell
- 26 Paul Wengert
- 28 Nicole Lee
- 29 Peggy Ankeny



If you would like to have your name added to the birthday list, please contact the church office.

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Aaron Ankeny
Director of Music: David Malone
Pianist: Amelia Tompkins
Audio Visual: Rusty Bailey, David Smith
Administrative Assistant: Lee Gober
Custodian: Heather Crawford
Grounds Keeper: Austin Reiter

UPCOMING EVENTS and MEETINGS

Tuesday, May 21-Trustees @ 6 pm; Finance @ 7 pm
Tuesday, May 28 @ 6 pm-Administrative Board Meeting
Monday, June 3-Thursday, June 6 Vacation Bible School
 9 am-noon. Please register at the table in the narthex.
Sunday, June 16-Father's Day
Sunday, June 30-Hallelujah Sing @ 3:30 pm at Wesley
 Memorial Methodist Church

BACKPACK MINISTRY

Funds are running low so donations to this wonderful ministry would be very helpful. Please write "Backpacks" on the memo line of your check or offering envelope if you would like to contribute.

SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE UPDATE

| | 2023 | 2024 | Total |
|---------------------|------|------|-------|
| Beds built : | 102 | 64 | 166 |
| New Beds requested: | | 35 | 35 |
| Beds Delivered: | 55 | 71 | 126 |

GRIEF SHARE

If you are grieving the loss of a loved one and need support to help you then please join us for this program led by Pastor Aaron Ankeny. It will meet every **Thursday @ 5:30 p.m.** in the Youth Room in Fellowship Hall. Brochures are available in the narthex

