

**In your prayers this week please remember:**

- Pat Sorem and Julia Howard who are homebound or in care centers
- Pastor Deena Wolfe and Lay Leader Chris Rider of Valley UMC, Veneta
- Jorge Rodriguez Flores, National Plan for Hispanic Ministries, United Methodist Ministries of Salem-Keizer

**Please pray also for these members and friends of our congregation:**

Gwen Andrews    Jane & Roy Arnold    Beverly & John Arthur    Glenda & Stan Baker  
Ann & Tom Bateman    Jennifer, Jordan, Grace, & Bowyn Beamer    Marie Benham

**WELCOME TO FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH!**

**Office Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Thursday; Closed: noon to 1 p.m.  
Closed on Fridays  
541.752.2491**

We are a **Reconciling Congregation** that welcomes everyone into full participation in the life of this church! Your age, sexual orientation, gender identity, racial or ethnic background, economic situation, marital status, and physical or mental condition will enrich the fabric of our community. We accept all people as children of God.

We are a congregation on a journey to Sustainability, recognizing that we are stewards of God's creation for all generations, and believing that all human needs must be met equitably. The **Natural Step Framework** is our guide to Sustainability.

**MINISTRY LEADERSHIP:**

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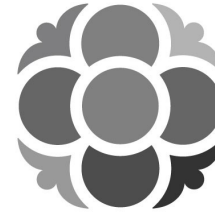
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***OUR MISSION IS to bring people into a living relationship with God,  
through Jesus Christ, that we might love the world as God loves the world.***

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**First United Methodist Church of Corvallis**

**August 26, 2018**

**Mixing Metaphors: Ocean Waves and Placid Ponds**

*\*indicates stand if you are able*

*UMH = United Methodist Hymnal; TFWS = The Faith We Sing (Small Black Book)*

**Prelude**

“Power of Kindness”  
“By the Waters of Babylon”

MaMuse  
Traditional

**\*Greeting One Another**

Pastor: May the peace of Christ be with you...  
**... and also with you.**

**\*Gathering Song**

“I've Got Peace Like a River”

**TFWS #2145**

**Welcome and Announcements**

Our Faith in Action Update

**Opening Prayer**

**God of All, We are here today like gathered waters. Some of us feel strong and restless like ocean waves. Some feel calm and serene like placid ponds. Some of our lives swirl like troubled waters, some seem murky and stagnant. But all of us welcome your presence in the seas that are our lives – until your kingdom comes in fullness – Amen.**

**\*Hymn from our Tradition** **TFWS #2191**  
“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

**Now Testament**

**Prelude to Prayer**

*Please have your prayer cards ready to pass quickly to the ushers during this musical interlude.*

**Prayers of the People**

Pastor: God of love...

**We thank you for your presence...**

Silent Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer (sung) **inside back cover of UMH**

**Offering**

**Offertory** “Hallelujah” MaMuse

**Offering Prayer**

**God of love, we pray that we may have eyes to see and ears to hear how these gifts and our lives may make a loving difference in your world. In Christ’s name we pray – Amen.**

**\*Offering Song** **UMH #94**  
“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God the source of all our gifts. Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts. Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Song** “Where Children Belong” **TFWS #2233**

**This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God’s Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.**

**Kids and Grown-Ups Together**

*All children are welcome to stay for worship with their families or childcare is available for preschool through kindergarten in room 118. Special worship bags for children are outside the sanctuary entrance.*

**Scripture and Reflection**

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**\*Closing Song** “Wade in the Water”

**Benediction**

**Postlude** “My Brothers and Sisters” Robert Hunter  
*You are invited to sit and listen to the postlude, but you are also welcome to leave now quietly.*

Liturgist: Tracy Koenig

Liz Cole, Chris Lee, and Allan Studley continue the local gospel music tradition as Inner Strength Gospel Choir started by the late Rev. Isaiah Jones of Westminster House some 15 years ago.