#### FREE METHODIST CHURCH

350 E. Furnace Street Platteville, WI 53818 Pastor Jeff Suits July 25, 2021

Prelude	de Susan Suits			
Welcome				
Life in the Church				
*Call to Worship	Chronicles 29:11&13			
*Hymn	"How Great Thou Art"	#4		
*Invocation				
*Song of Praise				
Pastoral Prayer				
*Song of Praise				
*Scripture Reading	Luke 15:1-10			
Ministry of Music	James Cahill			
Message	"Lost and Found"			
Prayer				
*Song of Praise				
*Benediction				
Postlude				

\*indicates that the congregation should stand

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:	Worship Service	10:30 am	
•	Adult Sunday School	9:30 am	
	Celebrate Recovery	5:30 pm	
Wednesday:	Awana	6:30 pm	
	Youth Group	6:30 pm	
	Adult Bible Study	6:30 pm	

Sunday Worship Service and Wednesday evening Adult Bible Study are Live Streamed on Platteville Free Methodist Facebook

Nursery is for ages three and under

This Week: Alissa Herr &Jessica Gottschall Next Week: Debbie Hamm & Janita Ewing Usher Next Week: Craig Humphreys

Financial Tellers Next Week: Karen Jensen & Andrew Pulver

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS** is meeting, 9:30-10:15a.m. at the Sonshine Center.

**NEW SERMON SERIES-**This Sunday Pastor Jeff will begin a new series called, "Lost". We will be looking at the parables from Luke 15 as they teach us about God's search for us and our great value in His eyes. This week we will be looking at the parables of the Lost Sheep and the Lost Coin.

# CHILDREN'S CHURCH today.

**SOUTHWEST CHRISTIAN MUSIC FEST** is today from 1pm-4:30pm at City Park. Our Platteville churches are offering live Christian music, kid's games, craft activities, food vendors and a family friendly afternoon of fun!

**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 p.m. with fellowship starting at 5:30 p.m. Celebrate Recovery is for adults 18 years of age and older. We would love to have you join us if you feel you could benefit from this ministry.

**GIVING"** – Thank you for your faithful giving. Place your offering in one of the boxes provided, mail a personal check, or do an electronic fund transfer with your local bank. EFT's can be set up on line and your tithe can be paid like a water bill.

#### HOW TO GIVE DIGITALLY

Download the "Green" Tithe.ly App from the App Store (iPhone) or Google Play Store (Android). Once you've downloaded the app select our church and follow the prompts to get set up. The first time you will also need to add your credit/debit card or ACH/banking information.

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY** – Wednesday at 6:30p.m. we will gather for a Virtual Bible Study Live Streamed on PFMC Facebook. Our study is from the book of Matthew.

GARY AND SUSAN MUNSON would like to thank the church family for the cards, prayers, and words of encouragement surrounding Gary's mom's illness and passing.

#### PRAY ABOUT MISSIONS

#### MISSION NEWS

**AFRICA-FMWM** gives thanks for Roger and Deborah Varland's eight years of service as VISA missionaries teaching at Rift Valley Academy in Kenya. The Varlands recently returned to the U.S. Pray for them as they transition to new roles.

Pray for Elisha Takpale as she leads a 3-day camp for teenagers at the Wesley Missionary Institute in Togo this week. The FM Church in Cameroon has organized evangelism crusades in several cities. Pray for the current crusade in Edea, one planned in Mondoni next week and one in Bamenda in two weeks. Pray many people will come to know Jesus.

**ASIA-** In Creative Access-MR, our superintendent and his wife have both tested positive for COVID. Please pray urgently for their healing and the protection of their children and extended family. Health experts in this country predict that 50% of the country's 55 million people will be infected with the coronavirus within three weeks. Before the situation is over, 10 to 15 million may die because of the shortage of oxygen and medical care. Pray for God's mercy for this nation.

Last Friday, Creative Access-VN held their annual conference sessions on Zoom. Praise the Lord for two new elders and two new conference ministerial candidates. God is inspiring a vision for more churches and believers to spread the gospel. Join them in praying for the accomplishment of this vision.

Please continue to pray for Creative Access-IN. The coronavirus continues to spread rapidly, taking many lives, but our leaders continue to share the hope of Jesus. Pray for the perseverance and encouragement of families, churches and leaders.

**EUROPE**-A small day camp will be held at the ministry center in Budapest, Hungary, July 26-30. This is a new initiative planned by a young mother from the neighborhood with Pastor Péter's help. Pray this outreach will bear fruit as relationships are built, and lives are touched.

Please join in praying for Giovanna Souza, the young daughter of Moisés and Jacione Souza. The Souza's are international missionaries from Portugal serving in São Tomé and Príncipe. Giovanna has some health issues of concern. Pray for her healing and peace for her parents.

Please pray for Russia, as COVID numbers are rising rapidly, hospitals are full again, and many are dying. Vaccines are not popular due to government mistrust. Pray for the Russian people and the ministry of international missionaries Michael and Tanya Mendakoff as they fear another lock down will occur soon.

LATIN AMERICA-Please continue in prayer for churches and leaders throughout Latin America as many seem to be experiencing the enemy's attacks. Pray for these specific concerns: • Pastor Patricio Alvial (Chile) is sick and undergoing medical tests. • Other pastors in Chile are struggling with health and emotional problems. • Pastora Daisy Arzu, the mission district leader in Honduras, was rushed to the hospital this past weekend with chest pains. She is out of the hospital now, but pray for her health. • Pastor Hiuberth Zapata, the mission district leader in Nicaragua, is very sick with

COVID symptoms. His wife is recovering from COVID in Costa Rica and has not been granted permission to travel with him. • Continue praying for Pastor Gustavo Suarez (Argentina) as he recovers from facial paralysis.

MIDDLE EAST- Please continue in prayer for the Whole Woman Initiative in Iraq. The team recently finished visiting nearly every home in four different refugee camps. They identified more than 100 women expecting to deliver babies between now and February. Pray for this team as they begin serving these women through prenatal and postnatal home visits. Pray for gospel opportunities as they serve.

#### **OUR MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK**

Thom & Sherry Cahill - Tanzania

### PRAYING FOR LOCAL MINISTRIES

North Central Conference – Rev Carl Brannon, Conference Superintendent

### PRAYING FOR PLATTEVILE

Apostle's Lutheran Church – Pastor Mark Kufahl

# **OUR CHURCH FAMILIES**

Monday The Thom Cahills
Tuesday Jeanette Campbell
Wednesday Carol Carter
Thursday Sharon Carter
Friday The Alex Cejpeks
Saturday Mark Christopher
Sunday The Charlie Cloughs

#### SPECIAL NEEDS - PRAY FOR:

- 1. President Biden, his administration, and Congress that they will do what is best for the American people
- 2. Our country in light of unrest and that which divides us
- 3. Spiritual revival in the United States
- 4. Our military personnel- Taylor Wiech and Vincent Anderson
- 5. Friends, neighbors and family members who need to know Jesus
- 6. Families in our congregation that are struggling especially those struggling with relationships
- 7. Those who are adjusting to the loss of a spouse
- 8. Elaine Harkness recovering from knee replacement surgery
- 9. Blanche Dailey who received two stents to correct heart issues 10.

## **PRAISE AND ANSWERS:**

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### A WEEK OF BIRTHDAYS

7/27 Tom Hamm

7/28 Alayne Cejpek7/28 Sheila Stephens

7/30 Steve Cook



# A WEEK OF ANNIVERSARIES

7/28 Jim & Elaine Bottomley (36 yrs) 8/1 Steven & Miranda Goodman (6 yrs)



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.

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

Church Website: Church sermons are available at:

www.plattevillefreemethodist.org

Live Streaming of our worship services on Platteville Free Methodist Church

Facebook



The Sanctuary is equipped with Hearing Loop. Have your hearing aid T-coil activated or ask Joel Herr or someone at the PA how to use a Loop Listener.

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