

**Order of Worship for
October 5, 2025**

🎵 Gathering Music

Call to Worship

🎵 Opening Music

Welcome

Story for All Ages

🎵 Special Music

Scripture Reading:

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7; 2 Timothy 1:1-7

Message: We are all Connected

World Communion Sunday

Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Lord's Prayer

Sharing of Bread and Cup

🎵 Communion Music

Prayer

Kids First Dismissal

🎵 Closing Hymn

Blessing

🎵 Postlude

**ONLINE GIVING
IS AVAILABLE**

lovefirstumc.org/give



*How
is it
WITH YOUR
SOUL?*

**DISCOVER FIRST
CLASSES**

Ready to learn more
about membership at
LOVE First UMC?

**September 28
& October 12th**
after worship
next classes Nov. 9 & 23

Register at:
lovefirstumc.org/discover-first



CARD SALE!

Sunday, October 12
9:00 and 10:30am

Come and see what's new. Then stock up on greeting cards that are wonderful not only for special days but also for expressing friendship, care, and love. We all like to know someone is thinking of us—or thought of us while looking at a certain card.

Most cards are still \$2.00. If you purchase any five, you get any \$2.00 card free.

*and at the Men's Pancake Supper
Tuesday, October 14 from 4:30-7pm.*



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Monday - Thursday
8:30am - 2pm
Friday 8:30am - noon

Welcome

We are
**LOVE
FIRST**

We are glad you are here!

OUR STATEMENT OF INCLUSION:

As people who follow Jesus by putting love first, we celebrate the diversity of God's creation. We honor and affirm the sacred worth of persons of every age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical and mental capacity, education, economic means, marital status, and faith story.

OUR MISSION:

The mission of the United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

The further mission of First United Methodist Church is to create and build inclusive Christian community through INVITING, FORMING and SENDING faithful, active disciples of Jesus Christ.

***Each Sunday there is a fellowship time with coffee,
lemonade and treats after worship.
Turn left as you leave the sanctuary!***

New with us?

We hope the following information will be helpful to you!

Accessibility: Portable amplification/listening devices are available in the lefthand (southeast) back corner of the Sanctuary at the Sound Booth. The entire building is on one level, and all areas are accessible. If you have accessibility needs, we want to make sure you feel welcome and safe! Please contact fumc@fumcscr.org and one of our staff members will work with you.

Communion: In the United Methodist Church, Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday each month at an open table. This means that everyone who wants to come and receive communion is welcome to do so. You do not have to be a member of the church or a United Methodist. All are welcome to receive God's grace through the bread and juice. If you are unable to come forward to receive the elements, please inform an usher. Home visitation Communion is available.

Single-stall Restrooms: Are available through the double doors at the end of the hall on either side of the hallway in the Education Wing.

Offering: During this time we encourage everyone, member and guest, to return their Connect Card with as much contact information and prayer requests filled in as you are comfortable with providing. Members may also take this time to give of their tithes and offerings if they haven't taken advantage of online options.

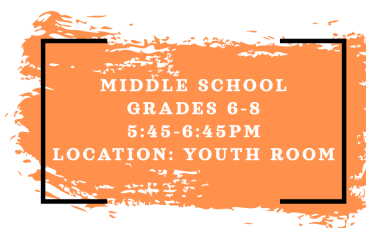
Learn more at www.lovefirstumc.org

Children & Youth

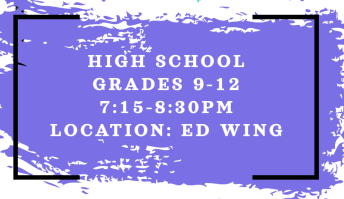
Nursery for ages 6 weeks - 5 years: available Sunday mornings until 11:30am



Sunday School for Kindergarten through 6th grade: kids exit worship and make their way to the Education Wing (on the north side of the building) for Sunday School! Follow the Teacher with the **KIDS FIRST** sign. Parents, please pick your kids up from the Education Wing at 11:15am.



YOUTH MINISTRY
@LOVE FIRST
WEDNESDAY NIGHTS



Get Involved:

Please feel welcome to join in any opportunity you see!



Join us on October 5th, 2025 at First United Methodist Church, after church service during fellowship hour (around 10:30am) for our LGBTQ+ History Month kickoff.

Grab a 2SLGBTQIA+ community events calendar, fresh stickers, and our special commemorative coloring page. We will also have a new craft to commemorate the fall season, that you can make at home or while you enjoy your coffee, treats and a supportive faith community. Handouts available for allyship-building education.



GONGOMM RETURNS

to Love First United Methodist
1107 Pine Cone Rd S, Sartell

OCT 9, 23
NOV 6, 20
DEC 4, 18
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Education Wing



COME EXPERIENCE

- A different contemplative practice each session
- (2) One-to-one spiritual direction sessions
- Community as you explore your inner life

To register:
Use the QR code or connect with Jamie Deering



WORLD FAMOUS PANCAKE SUPPER!
ALL-YOU-CAN EAT MEAL SPONSORED BY FIRST UMC'S UNITED METHODIST MEN
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2025 - 4:30-7:00 PM
TICKETS: ADULTS \$10 CHILDREN 6-12 \$5 CHILDREN 0-5 FREE
BAKE SALE AND HAND-MADE CARDS FOR SALE



\$199 INCLUDES ALL MATERIALS AND 2 SPIRITUAL DIRECTION SESSIONS

Caregivers Support Group

1st & 3rd Wednesdays each month at 7pm via Zoom

Join us for a twice-monthly virtual support group to reduce isolation, normalize hardships & affirm those of us who care for elderly, ill, or loved ones with extra needs. Our group is facilitated by experienced caregivers. New participants must pre-register at: caregivers@fumcscr.org

Big Questions, No Answers

2nd Monday at 10am in church library

Big Questions consists of a group of adults who share and discuss hard things in a spirit of trust and mutual respect.

October's topic: What does trust in God look and feel like?

The Well

2nd and 4th Mondays at 5:30pm at church

This group meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month. Join them for a time of community sharing and reading of *Everybody Always* by Bob Goff.

Bible 365 Fridays at 10am

Meets via Zoom to discuss the week's readings. It The group is participating in the Dakotas-MN Area study of Luke-Acts for 2025. Contact the church office for the Zoom link and materials.

Conversations on Grief

2nd Sunday each month after worship

This informal discussion group **now meets in the Ed Wing (first classroom on the right)** to share stories of grief in all its many forms.