

**Order of Worship for
September 21, 2025**

🎵 Gathering Music

Call to Worship

Prayer

🎵 Opening Music

Welcome

🎵 Special Music

Scripture Reading:

Jeremiah 31:31-34; Luke 17:11-19

Introduction

Message: Jesus: From Sparkly-Zapping
Fingers to You and Me

🎵 Music

Kids First Dismissal

Time of Prayer

The Lord's Prayer, alternate version

Invitation to Give

🎵 Music

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



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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.

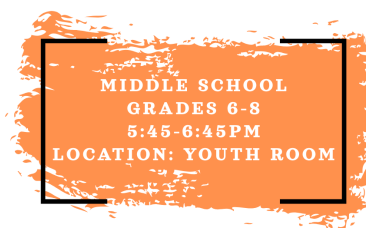
Learn more at www.lovefirstumc.org

Children & Youth

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



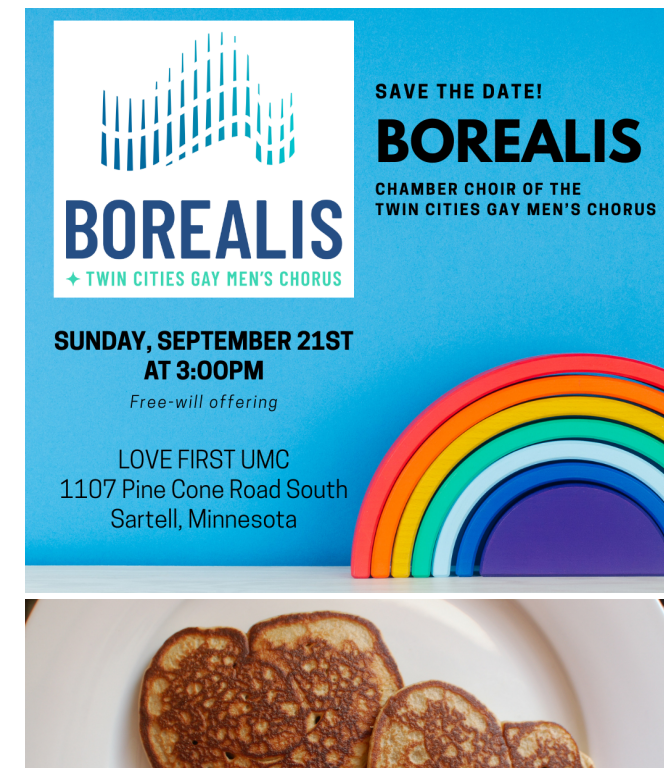
Sunday School for Kindergarten through 6th grade: kids exit worship and make their way to the Education Wing (on the north side of the building) for Sunday School! Follow the Teacher with the **KIDS FIRST** sign. Parents, please pick your kids up from the Education Wing at 11:15am.



YOUTH MINISTRY
@LOVE FIRST
WEDNESDAY NIGHTS



Get Involved:



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



GONCOMM 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



\$199
INCLUDES
ALL
MATERIALS
AND
2 SPIRITUAL
DIRECTION
SESSIONS

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



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 - 9/26 Acts 14

Meets via Zoom to discuss the week's readings. 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.