

*FURLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH*

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*From the  
Pastor*

**Pastor's Pondering**

In smaller churches, we generally know each other. A key element is what I call the **MINISTRY OF PRESENCE**. Someone missing from worship on a Sunday in a mega church will not be noticed. But someone missing from our small churches makes a very big difference. We often talk about being in ministry or doing ministry, and some persons in any church may not be involved in those ministries. In the Ministry of Presence, every single person in a worship service is one part of the community of faith. We all sing better when we sing together, even if you have a wonderful voice. Repeating one of the creeds (which we are going to use more variety in creeds) sound better with the voice of the community.

What would be the experience of a visitor at the Furley United Methodist Church? Would our small membership be a negative, or can we make it a welcoming, gospel filled, loving experience. Since visitors stand out more in a small membership church, we must be sensitive in our welcoming. I have heard some references like, "It's been a long time since we saw you here," that may not be helpful. To be welcoming we just need to be good neighbors, to be friendly, to make the visitor feel welcome, but not embarrassed. Sometimes we make it difficult for someone to return to church after they have stayed away for a while, but those person that return bring joy to the community, and they are in the ministry of the presence.,

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**Jesus Children**

**Forgiving Others as God Forgives Us**

Scripture: Then Peter came to him and asked, "Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me?" Seven times? "No, not seven times," Jesus replied, "but seventy times seven!" Matthew 18:21-22 (NLT)

The most popular sport in the world is soccer, Even if you have never seen a soccer game, you could probably figure out that when a referee holds up a yellow card it is to warn a player for a dangerous or unsportsmanlike play. For example, if a player tries to kick the ball out of the goalie's hands, that is dangerous. The goalie could be hurt, so the referee shows the player a yellow card as a warning not to do it again. If that player makes another dangerous play, the referee shows him the yellow card again, but then he would show him a red card. As a red card means the player is out of the game! A player gets one warning and then he/she is out! In baseball, the batter gets three strikes before he's out. In basketball, a player gets five or six fouls before he is out. The sport of soccer isn't very forgiving.

**GOOD WORDS**

How many times do you think a person should be forgiven for doing something wrong? Once? Twice? Three times? The Bible gives us the answer. One day, Peter asked Jesus, "How many times should I forgive someone who sins against me? Should I forgive him seven times?" Peter thought he was being pretty generous to forgive someone seven times but Jesus didn't agree, Jesus answered Peter, "Not seven times, but seventy times seven."

That's four hundred and ninety times. Jesus was trying to get Peter to understand (and us too) that we shouldn't worry about keeping count of how many times we have forgiven someone-we should just keep on forgiving. That is what God does! We all make mistakes and we all do things that we should not do, so let's be forgiving of others.

Dear Father, we are thankful that you love us and forgive us without keeping count. Help us to love and forgive others as you forgive us. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

(adapted from www.sermon4kids.com)

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RECYCLING MINISTRY  
@  
FURLEY CHURCH

The church recycling cart is available to Furley Church members and attendees to aid in personal recycling efforts. The recycle truck comes every other Tuesday. The following schedule allows for each family to have access one week a month. Last name beginning....

- A thru K = August 27
- L thru Z = August 13

THANK YOU for recycling often and right! One small actions count for SIGNIFICANT impact as we care for creation. The cart will be at the end of the church driveway early on Tuesday mornings to receive your recycle items.

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FURLEY COMMUNITY  
LUNCH RESUMES  
AUGUST 2nd

Hope to see everyone for lunch

on August 2nd. Please see the flyer in this newsletter for menu details.

**NEW serving time beginning in AUGUST. Take note, the buffet line will be open between 11:30 am and 12:30 pm.**

Community sharing and other announcements will happen at 12:30 followed by the door prize drawing. Our Kitchen Ladies will pack Box Lunches for take home with any items left on the buffet line. Box Lunches will be available after 12:45. We will continue to offer meal deliveries and lunches to go for those who cannot stay for the meal and fellowship.

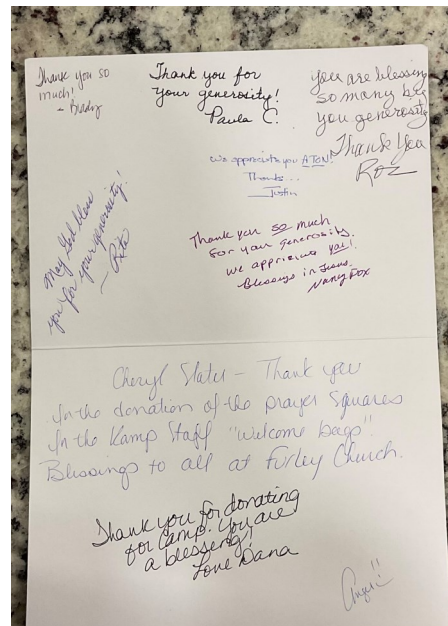
We look forward to serving our community on August 2nd.

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PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Who knew? God did! A request from The Benton Church for thirty-four pocket prayer shawls to include in their Welcome Bag for July's kid camp staff was easily filled from our PPS inventory, PTL! See their lovely Thank You below.



Pocket Prayer Shawls are always available on the resource table in our church lobby. They slip nicely inside a card for mailing. God has used them in so many ways for so many different people. It is a blessing to create them and know they become a blessing to others.

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Furley Church Newsletter is published monthly by Furley United Methodist Church. If you would like to submit an article for the Newsletter please contact Deloris Ewing @ 316-744-0336 [dewing1958@gmail.com](mailto:dewing1958@gmail.com) Deadline is the 19th of the month.



. The Blessing Box is being used, not so much for food but for small first aid kits, ankle socks, hand wipes and hair brushes. If anyone would like to donate to our Blessing Box, feel free to donate.

Mission & Outreach will be having a meeting sometime in August, please let me know what mid August dates are best. Karen

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**GREETERS**

August 4th  
Dick & Deloris Ewing

August 11th  
Denny & Carolyn Hill

August 18th  
Randey & Denise Koehn

August 25th  
Gary & Lamoyne Eilert

**USHERS**

August 4th  
Randey Koehn & Keith Slater

August 11th  
Doug Hague & Ron Buss

August 18th  
Randey Koehn & Keith Slater

August 25th  
Gary Eilert & Randey Koehn

**COUNTING TEAM**

August 4th  
Keith Slater & Karen Buss

August 11th  
Kim Hague & Jan Lane

August 18th  
Ron Buss & Doug Hague

August 25th  
Randey Koehn & Jan Lane  
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The deepest level of worship  
Is praising God through the pain,  
thanking God through the trials,  
trusting Him when we're tempted  
to lose hope, and loving Him, even  
when He seems distant.  
At my lowest, God is my hope.  
At my darkest, God is my light.  
At my weakest, God is my strength.  
At my saddest, God is my  
comforter.

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Church Family,

Thank you for all the prayers, phone calls and cards following my shoulder surgery. The Dr. was surprised at how I could use my arm when the sling was removed, I know it was by all the prayers from my church family. I have PT twice a week for the next 6 weeks and limited on what I can do.

Again thanks for the prayers.

God Bless You All,

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**COME  
LET'S JOURNEY TOGETHER  
LIVING LIFE  
LOVING JESUS**

# August 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1  <i>John &amp; Pam Horner (A)</i>	2  <i>Community Lunch 11:30- 12:30</i>	3
4	5 <i>Volunteering at KK</i>	6	7  <i>Kimberly Hague</i>	8  <i>Denise Koehn</i>	9  <i>Marvin Spencer</i>	10
11  <i>Daniel Fee</i>	12	13	14	15	16 <i>Bingo WSM 3:00</i>	17
18 <i>Sack Lunch Sunday</i>	19 <i>Volunteering @ KK  Ad Council 6:00</i>	20	21	22  <i>Charisa Hays</i>	23	24
25  <i>Kristen Lane</i>	26  <i>Jared &amp; Kristen Lane (A)</i>	27	28  <i>Randey Koehn</i>	29	30	31

# Furley Community Lunch



Come! Let's journey  
together living life,  
loving Jesus!

Furley United Methodist Church

11400 East 101<sup>st</sup> Street North

(Corner of Greenwich Road and 101<sup>st</sup> N)

WHEN: Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

*Join us for good food and fellowship!*

*FREE WILL donation for church and community charities.*

## MENU

**Ham Salad, Chicken Salad, Deli Meat  
Sandwiches**

**Meaty Baked Beans, Salads, Chips,**

**Dessert & Beverage**



Call the church after 9:00 am on Aug. 2nd  
to request delivery to home bound  
community friends.

Kitchen Ladies will prepare Box Lunches to take home,  
available after 12:45, should there be leftovers when the  
serving time ends. Door prize give-away, community  
sharing & announcements @ 12:30pm.

First Friday Community Lunch is brought to you by Furley Church and the  
Furley Community.

## DAILY BIBLE READING

The following Bible reading will take you through the New Testament in small passages. There will also be a memory verse for each month. Memory verses help us deepen our reading, and help with our mental health. The Reading will be available before the first of each month.

### AUGUST

1 Gal 4:1-7	11 1:29-34	22 4:31-41
2 4:8-20	12 1:35-42	23 4:43-54
3 4:21-31	13 1:43-51	24 5:1-18
4 5:1-10	14 2:1-12	25 5:19-29
5 5:11-15	15 2:13-23	26 5:30-40
6 5:16-26	16 3:1-13	27 5:41-47
7 6:1-10	17 3:14-21	28 6:1-15
8 6:11-18	18 3:22-30	29 6:16-24
9. John 1:1-18	19 3:31-36	30 6:25-40
	20 4:1-15	31 6:31-59
10 1:19-28	21 4:16-30	

Memory Verse Galatians 5:22: "But the harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, faithfulness, humility, and self-control."