

Announcements

Become

GUESTS, VISITORS, AND MEMBERS

Please sign the attendance registration located in the pews. Please include your email address. Then pass it back to your neighbor and introduce yourself to each other. Thank you.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF WATERLOO FIRST?

If you would like to become a member of Waterloo First United Methodist Church, we would love to have you!

Just check the box “wish to join this church” on the attendance sheet or talk to Pastor Hojin. You may call the office at 319-235-7088.

HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES

Are available, please ask an usher. At the end of the service please turn them off and return them to an usher.

ATTENTION PARENTS

In accordance with our “Safe Sanctuary” policy, children are to be attended by an adult whenever they leave the sanctuary during worship or at any other time.



2024 PLEDGE CARDS

Thanks to all who have turned in their pledge cards! If you haven't turned one in yet, it's not too late! There are red pledge cards in the office and on the tables by the doors of the sanctuary. Fill one in today!

FINAL 2023 OFFERING

Make sure your final offering for the year is in by Sunday, December 31.

REMEMBER TO:

Sign up for 2024 Alter Flowers, Fellowship, & Pew Cleaners!

Belong

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES
10:45 am
No Sunday School today

Plan your Sunday School and small group studies with Amplify Media!

Elementary– Room 8 Kathy Cooley & Susie Karns

Youth– Room 111 Melissa Warren

Searchers– Fireside Room

Genesis– Dinette

Amplify access code: BXWDJR



Wednesday, January 3
Kimball Ave. UMC
5:00 pm

GOLDEN BELL/CHANCEL CHOIR EPIPHANY PARTY

Wednesday, January 3 at 5:00 pm

Hartman Hall

Bring your favorite treat and join the choirs for an Epiphany party to start out the new year!

Golden Bell rehearsal will follow at 6 pm and Chancel Choir rehearsal at 7 pm.

CHURCH DIRECTORIES

Good News! Our church pictorial directories are here. If you had a photo taken you are entitled to a complimentary directory from the company. If you would like a directory but did not have a picture done, the cost is \$12. The directories are in the office and can be picked up Monday through Thursday, 9 am -1 pm. We have some copies that can be purchased.

Bless

FELLOWSHIP

Please join us in Hartman Hall following the service for fellowship. Sign up to host fellowship and celebrate a special occasion on the bulletin board in VonLackum Lounge.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

- ◆ Members of our congregation who are coping with the loss of loved ones.
- ◆ Members of our congregation who have been recently hospitalized or who are undergoing on-going medical treatment.

LET US PRAY FOR YOU OR A LOVED ONE

By using the pink prayer card, found in the pew rack, you can request that the pastor will mention the prayer concern during the pastoral prayer; and/or is placed on the prayer chain. Also, the person we pray for will receive a card from our card ministry. If you are asking on behalf of another, you must have their permission before you make their concern public, since we want to honor everyone's privacy. To be added to the prayer chain, contact Kristy in the office 235-7088 or office@waterloofirst.org or Sally at media@waterloofirst.org

CHANGE OF ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, OR EMAIL

If you have moved recently or have a different winter/summer address or changed your phone number, please notify the office so we have updated information on file for mailings! You can also sign up for emails online at www.waterloofirst.org

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have an announcement you wish to appear in Sunday's bulletin, please turn it into the office or email it to Sally at media@waterloofirst.org by **Wednesday**.

HERALD DEADLINE

The next Herald deadline is **Tuesday, January 16** Articles can be dropped off during business hours, mailed to the church office: 614 Randolph St., Waterloo, 50702, or emailed to Sally at media@waterloofirst.org

THE FOOD NOOK

Donations of personal care items and one dish meals are still welcome.

Also, they are in need of grocery bags. Donations may be put in the hampers by the stairs in VonLackum Lounge.

Thank you so much for considering a donation. Food insecurity is definitely a community problem, and one our church can be proud of lending a helping hand.

Church Row Coffee & Prayer Walks

Tuesdays @ 10:00am

First Congregational Church

608 W 4th St Waterloo, IA 50702

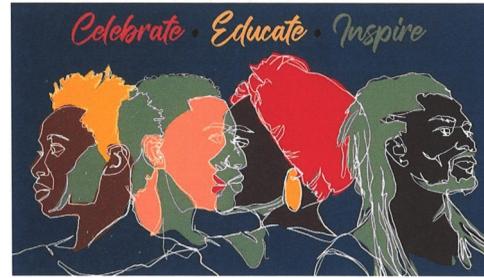
A time set aside to bless our neighborhood through prayer.

Start with coffee at the church and end walking a section of Church Row Neighborhood.



JUNETEENTH FAITH & FREEDOM By: Our Daily Bread Ministries

Film Showing and Discussion



Juneteenth: Faith & Freedom is an hour-long film that explains why June 19th is celebrated as "America's Second Independence Day", starting on June 19th, 1865 when Black Americans in Texas were told they were free. What were they freed from? How did the law of Absolute Equality impact their lives...from literacy, to housing, to faith?

Join participants to validate the struggle of liberation.

**Tuesday, January 9th, 2024
5:30 –7:00 pm**

**Impact Church of Hope
710 Broadway St., Waterloo, IA 50703
Either door to the main worship space**

In partnership with Waterloo First UMC, Iowa Heartland Habitat for Humanity, Impact Church of Hope, & Orchard Hill Church



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SCRIP CARDS FOR YOUR EVERYDAY LIFE!

Scrip cards can be taken with you when you do your daily shopping. You don't pay any extra for what you buy, but a percentage comes back to the church. It only takes some forethought to order the cards. Talk to Kris Stewart, Emily Forssberg, or Sally Thurman and order your cards today. You can find a form on the [web page](#) or from the blue mailbox in VonLackum lounge and turn your order in today! Don't forget to include \$1 for shipping with each card.

Waterloo First United Methodist Church



Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs.: 9:00 am-1:00 pm,
(or by appointment)

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

Sunday, December 31

9:30 am– Worship
10:30 am– Fellowship

Monday, January 1, 2024

Office Closed
Happy New Year!

Tuesday, January 2

9:00 am– Staff Mtg.
10:00 am– Church Row Coffee & Prayer Walk
11:30 am– Staff Luncheon
6:15 pm– Intensified Prayer

Wednesday, January 3

9:00 am– Worship on Waterloo Public Access 17
5:00 pm– Youth Group at Kimball Ave. UMC
5:00 pm– Golden Bell/ Chancel Choir holiday party
6:00 pm– Golden Bell Rehearsal
7:00 pm– Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 4

9:30 am– Food Nook
10:00 am– Book Club
4:15 pm– PIE at Irving Elementary

Friday, January 5

Office Closed
7:00 pm- Worship on Waterloo Public Access 17

Saturday, January 6

3:00 pm– Worship on Cedar Falls Public Access 15

Sunday, January 7

9:30 am– Worship
10:30am– Fellowship
10:45am– Sunday School
12:00 pm– Church Row Coalition Mtg.