

# 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.

### 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.



### December 18– Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:30 am Worship, Fellowship, & Sunday School  
The children will sing Christmas Songs for us.

### December 24– Christmas Eve

7:00 pm Candlelight Service

### December 25– Christmas Day

9:30 am– Worship in the Fireside room with Cookies  
A pre-recorded service is being provided by the Iowa Conference. The video will be viewed in the Fireside room and streamed on Facebook at 9:30 am.

## Belong

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES 10:45 am



Start planning 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: Dementia Friendly Community**

**Genesis– Dinette**

**Amplify access code: BXWDJR**



### YOUTH GROUP

**Wednesday at 5:30 pm.**

Youth group meets at Waterloo First UMC



### DINNER with NEIGHBORS

A special Dinner with Neighbors is this Wednesday at 5 pm. It's not too late to volunteer to help serve or bring a pumpkin pie.

We need volunteers to help in the kitchen, and at least six volunteers for this one time event to serve our diners. If you are able to do this, let Sue Carver know at 319-232-3569 or [dscarver@mchsi.com](mailto:dscarver@mchsi.com). Our church is dedicated to our neighborhood, and this event fills a need for food and companionship. Thank you!

## Bless

### FELLOWSHIP

Please join us in Hartman Hall following the service for fellowship. Sign up to host fellowship 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 Dawn in the office 235-7088 or [admin@waterloofirst.org](mailto:admin@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](http://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](mailto:media@waterloofirst.org) by **Wednesday** of each week.

## HERALD DEADLINE

The next Herald deadline is **Tuesday, January 17**. 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](mailto:media@waterloofirst.org)

## RAISERIGHT© formerly SHOP WITH SCRIP

There are new cards in the scrip inventory, perfect for back to school. Check and see what's available. Also, ordering your own cards is easier than ever with your smart phone. Ask Sally or Emily how to do it.



**The 2023 God's Creation Calendars are here!**  
**The youth will be selling the calendars for \$10 until they are gone.**

**THE FOOD NOOK** is serving our neighborhood, giving away 500 lbs. of fresh food, milk, bread, and non-perishable items three times a month. Our need is rising, and there is an urgent need for :

- Toothpaste/brushes
- Deodorant
- Shampoo/conditioner
- Hand Soap/liquid soap
- Hand lotion
- Kleenex, paper towels, toilet paper
- Household cleaning items
- Laundry detergent

Please help if you are able! If you have hotel-size personal hygiene items, those work great too. We do have homeless clients.

## MANGER HEARTS



God came to earth in the Christmas birth of a tiny baby boy, Whose life and death are redeeming us yet with blessings, grace and joy.

Our minds may know this history but stand in awe at mystery. So faith becomes the way to make our hearts like “manger hearts” where Christ can dwell and God imparts his wondrous love each day.  
—Peggy Ferrell



## Waterloo First United Methodist Church



Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs.: 9:00 am-1:00 pm,  
Fri.: 9:00 am-12:00 pm (or by appointment)

### THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

#### Sunday, December 18

- 9:30 am– Worship/ Fourth Sunday in Advent/ Children's Music
- 10:30 am– Fellowship
- 10:45 am– Sunday School
- 1:00 pm– Girl Scouts, troop 3419

#### Monday, December 19

- 5:00 pm– SPRC Committee

#### Tuesday, December 20

- 6:00 pm– Intensified Prayer Group via Zoom

#### Wednesday, December 21

- 9:00 am– Worship on Waterloo Public Access 17
- 9:00 am– Workshop for Others
- 5:00 pm– Youth Group at Waterloo First UMC  
Dinner with Neighbors/Food Nook

#### Thursday, December 22

- 8:00 am– Church Row Prayer Walk
- 8:30 am– TOPS
- 9:30 am– Food Nook
- 9:30 am– Herald Assembly

#### Friday, December 23

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

#### Saturday, December 24

- 3:00 pm– Worship on CF Public Access Chanel 15
- 7:00 pm– Candle Light Christmas Eve Worship Service

#### Sunday, December 25

- 9:30 am– Worship/ Christmas Day/ Fireside Room