

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 also 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.

SIGN UP FOR EMAIL UPDATES AND PRAYER REQUESTS

Use the QR code to sign up for Pastor Hojin's weekly email and prayer requests for our congregation.



Enjoy the sounds of Christmas with the combined choirs of Waterloo First UMC, First Congregational UCC, and **Waterloo First Baptist** as we gather for

worship at First Baptist **4343 Baltimore St.** There will be no worship service at Waterloo First UMC on December 15. Refreshments will follow the cantata.

Belong

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

10:45 am
Sunday School will begin today!



Elementary– Rm 108

Youth– Rm 111

Melissa Warren

Searchers– Fireside Room

11/24: Pam Ulfers on Bible 101, Who Wrote the Bible

12/1: No class

12/8: Pam U on Bible 101, Connecting the Dots

Genesis– Dinette

Use Amplify to plan your Sunday School and Small Group lessons:

Use the code **BXWDJR** to sign up and start exploring Amplify Media for your personal bible study and or small group study. Contact Sally at media@waterloofirst.org if you need help.



The Collaborative

Youth Group

Wednesday 5:30 at Waterloo First UMC



Join us for a special Christmas Concert with the combined handbell choirs of Waterloo First UMC and First Congregational UCC.

The concert will be held at Waterloo First UMC

in the sanctuary and refreshments will follow in Hartman Hall.

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 21st**. 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



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**Empowering Communities,
One Family at a Time:
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International
Your Support Matters**

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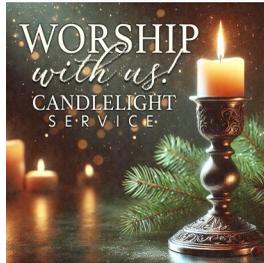
- \$10: Vaccinations for a family's livestock
- \$25: Seeds and tools for a community garden
- \$50: Training for a woman entrepreneur
- \$100: A cow or goat for a struggling family

Give Today

Together, let's break the cycle of poverty and build a bright future.

Thank you for your compassion and generosity. Please make your contribution before the end of December.

**CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLE
LIGHT SERVICE**
Tuesday, December 24
7:00 pm



BELL CHOIR AT GBPAC

The Golden Bells will be playing in the lobby of the Gallagher Bluedorn on Saturday, December 14 at 1:30 pm, before the Bel Canto Christmas Concert.



Scrip Cards for Everyday life!



by ShopWithScrip

Do you eat at Panera Bread or Papa Murphy's? Do you shop at Target or Lowe's? We have these cards in our inventory. It's very easy to purchase a card from Kris Stewart at fellowship and use the card when you shop. It doesn't cost you any extra money.



Think ahead for Christmas, we can order Apple, Amazon, or a number of other cards that make great stocking stuffers.

Check out our card inventory during Fellowship time. We need to sell these so we can stock up on cards for Christmas!

The money from the cards adds up for the church. We have used scrip funds for Dinner with Neighbors, Camera equipment for the sanctuary, Nativity scene for the House of Hope Christmas Fundraiser, Can openers for the clients of **The Food Nook**, Halloween buckets for Trunk or Treat, Gift Cards for prizes on Trivia Night, and decorations for the sanctuary for Jazz Sunday. With your continued support, we can do more for Waterloo First UMC. Order your cards now!



2025 God's Creation Calendars \$10

Once again, we have God's Creation Calendars. Proceed will benefit the youth of Waterloo First UMC.

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 8

- 9:30 am– Worship/ Second Sunday in Advent/ Children's program
- 10:30 am– Fellowship
- 10:45 am– Sunday School
- 2:00 pm– Combined Handbell Holiday Concert

Monday, December 9

11:00 am– Nest

Tuesday, December 10

- 10:00 am– Prayer Walk & Coffee at 1st Congregational
- 1:00 pm– PEO Chapter FE/JP
- 3:00 pm– HOPES Christmas Party

Wednesday, December 11

- 9:00 am– Worship on Waterloo Public Access 17
- 5:30 pm– Youth Group
- 5:30 pm– Golden Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm– Chancel Choir Rehearsal at First Baptist

Thursday, December 12

- 9:30 am– Food Nook
- 9:30 am– Herald Assembly

Friday, December 13

Office Closed

7:00 pm- Worship on Waterloo Public Access 17

Saturday, December 14

- 10:00 am– Food Nook
- 1:30 pm– Golden Bell Choir playing at GBPAC before Bel Canto concert
- 3:00 pm– Worship on Cedar Falls Public Access 15

Sunday, December 15

- 10:15 am– Christmas Cantata at First Baptist
- 11:15 am– Fellowship at First Baptist