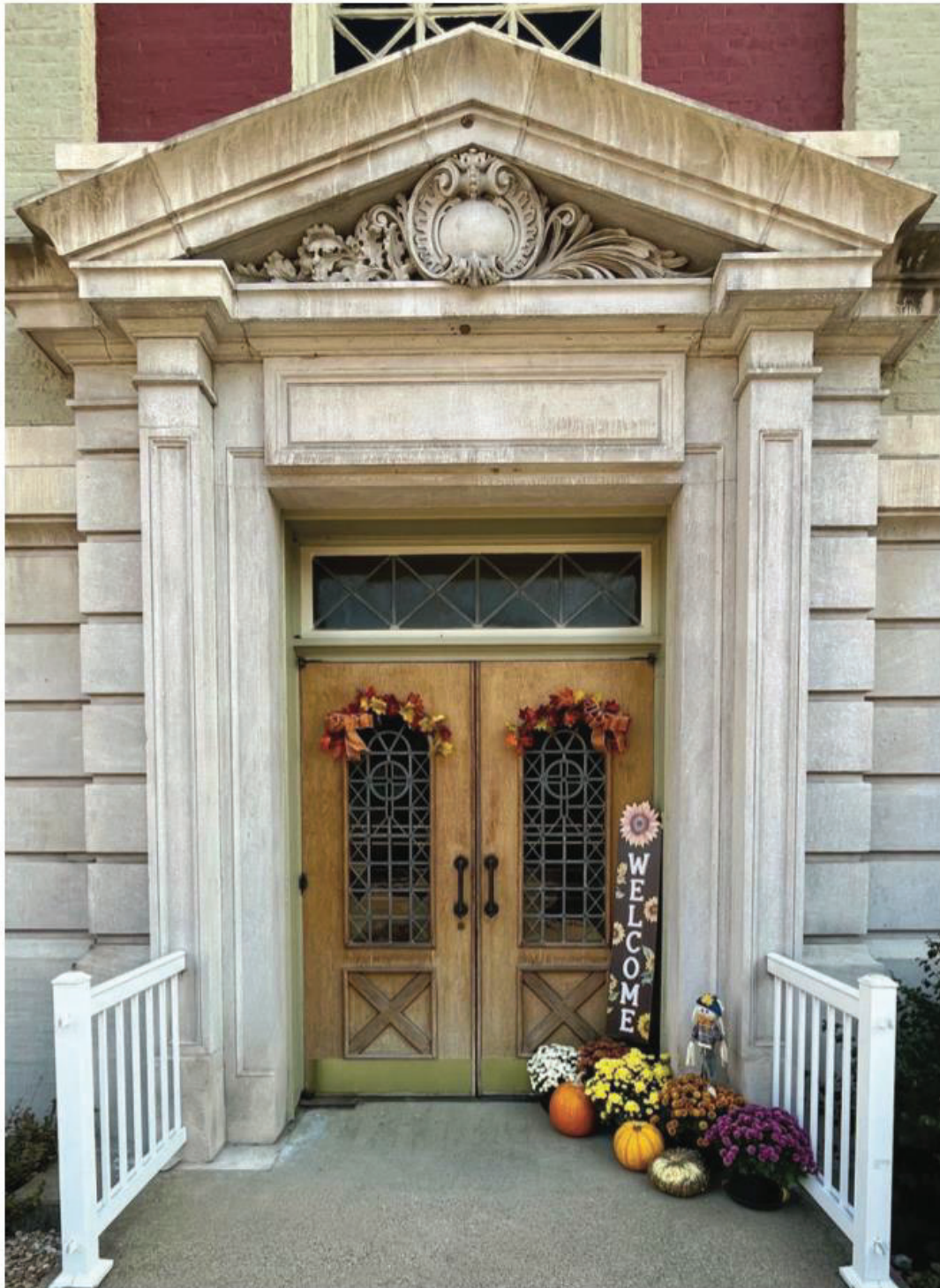


Aurora First United Methodist Church

October, 2026

“Heart to Heart, House to House, Town to Town, One Kingdom to Another”



Attendance and Giving for September

9/6 – attendance: 30/offering \$1183

9/13 – attendance: 35/offering \$2497.25

9/20 – attendance: 29/offering \$766

9/27 – attendance: 30/offering \$1433

Our average attendance for the Sundays of September was 31. The average giving for the Sundays of September was \$1469.81. This month we sent \$138.25 to St. Vincent de Paul. Weekly our church gives \$10 to the Clearing-House, so for this past month we sent \$40.

Charge Conference

Charge Conference this year will be on November 1 from 4:00 - 5:30 P.M. at North Vernon UMC. Janet Hart will provide more information in the near future.

Trick or Treat at Church

Everyone is welcome to join us at the church on Saturday, October 31st from 6-8 P.M. when we'll hand out candy to the kids in town. If you can't come but would like to send candy, that would be a great help! This is a wonderful way for our church to make our presence known in town.

Mission and Outreach

We served forty-eight dinners and four carry-outs at Fourth Street Food on Tuesday, September 22. Thanks to

everyone who helped! We are not scheduled to serve during October.

Blessing Box Update

Requests:

**The next time you have a dental appointment, please ask if the dentist would donate some tooth brushes and tooth paste.

**We need yarn for scarves and hats. Joy has been crocheting all summer. Do you have yarn to donate or know someone that does?

**We have been given several pieces of fleece for blankets. To tie blankets we need 2 pieces for each one. Do you have fleece you can donate or know someone that does?

News:

**We have been given several white cotton twin size blankets and fitted sheets.

Thank You for continuing to (Blessing Box, cont.) put donations in the shopping cart. Shopping the weekly specials helps our community.

Blessings,
Judy M.



Dates to Remember

October 12 – Columbus Day
October 18 – coffee, donuts, and
fellowship after worship
October 24 – Hymn Choice
October 31 – Halloween
November 1 – Daylight Saving Time
ends

Upcoming Birthdays &

Dennis Elder 10/4
Danny & LouAnn Martin 10/5
Caity Whitaker Shannon 10/10
Mike Davis 10/11
Nicodemus Whitaker 10/12
Azure Lea Haller 10/14
Ken & Marie Jackson 10/17
Jeff Baer 10/18
Hudson Goode 10/18
Carl & Janet Petty 10/21
Ryan and Kara Goode 10/24

October Liturgists

October 4: Janet Hart
October 11: Charlotte DeVille
October 18: Lou Ann Martin
October 25: Rob Moorhead

October Ushers & Greeters

October 4: Julie Whitaker &
Shelly Hubbartt
October 11: Stephanie Baer &
Bonnie Nocks
October 18: Janet & Steve Hart
October 25: Kelley Kuckenrider &
Judy Mosier

*If you are unable to serve on your
given Sunday, please change with
someone, and notify Pastor Ryan.
Contact Judy Hizer at (513) 314-
6682 if you would like to help out as
a liturgist, an usher, or a greeter.*

Cleaning Teams

Cleaning teams save our church
money! *If you are interested in being
on a cleaning team, please contact
Roger Fehling at 513-519-1309, or
leave a message at 812-926-0535.*

Lectionary for October

October 4: Ex 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20,
Ps 19, Phil 3:4b-14, Mt 21:33-46
October 11: Ex 32:1-14,
Ps 106:1-6, 19-23, Phil 4:1-9,
Mt 22:1-14
October 18: Ex 33:12-23, Ps 99,
1 Thes 1:1-10, Mt 22:15-22
October 25: Dt 34:1-12,
Ps 90:1-6, 13-17, 1 Thes 2:1-8,
Mt 22:34-46

PRAYER LIST

**Let us share our CONCERNS with
the Lord.** Farmers Fair Week-safe &
enjoyable (All of Us), Dan Thompson
triple bypass (Kelly), Kerry Kippler-
thyroid surgery (Bonnie), Theresa
Bushong-hospice (Jim W.), Lisa-neck
surgery (Jim W.), Pastor Ryan's dad
traveling to Arkansas (Pastor Ryan),
Uncle Steve-hospice (Pastor Ryan),

Nancy Turner-health (Steve T.), Joe Waldon traveling to Denver (Jim), Verna & Kenny traveling (Verna), Goode family while pastor is gone (All of us), Sawyer at college (Debbie), travel safety for Baylors and friends on golf trip (Charlotte), Liz-fertility treatment (Mattie), Charlotte traveling (Janet H.), Katie 36 years old-breast cancer (Debbie), Sharon, Kim, Shirley-resilience (Jeff), Penny-lung cancer (LouAnn), Pam-hand accident (LouAnn), UMCOR workers (Jeff), flooding in Nepal (Shelly), Moisio's travels for Kenn's mother's 92nd bd.(Kenn), Lesley Hutton-heart issues (Verna), Francisco-LA hospital (Verna), Indiana floods (Jeff), Bonnie's daughter Sherry-biopsy (Bonnie), Friend's father who has a tumor (Kelley), Kenn's sister Sharon-accident with a dog (Kenn), Ken Carpenter-breathing issues (Stephanie), Kimberly Turner Myers-brain tumor surgery (Monica),house fire at Theresa Shock's (Janet H.), Fran Bischoff-spine surgery (Kelley), Andy Finnegan-bypass and stent (Rob),All the sacrifices made for our country (All of Us), Matt Bower-46 years old (Steve H.), Bonnie Kronbach-declining health (Jim W.), Aiden-boot camp (Monica), Emma-tumor removed (Charlotte), Tom Dierking-cornea transplant (Bonnie), Service men & women across the world (Bonnie), Sue Turner-back pain (Steve T.), Bill Caulkins-parkinson diagnosis (Katherine), Sue Turner-sciatic

nerve issues (Steve T.), Terry Heath-hospice (Judy M.), Ron Veverka-ALS (Judy M.) Janet Ingle-brain aneurysm (Janet H.), Charlotte Hastings-stroke (Jim W.), Tim-seizures (Jeff), Liz Kenny-tests (Steve T.), Mike Peters-poor health (Jim W.), Barb Ankenbauer - injuries in auto accident (Debbie), Millie Tufts-healing from hip replacement (Debbie), Roger Ullrich-health issues (Judy H.), Dave Krouse-throat issues (Shelly), RJ-heart issues (Jim B.), Virginia Becker-multiple issues (Debbie), Barbara Taylor-kidney donor needed (Steve H.), Liz Hauntz-dementia (Debbie), Julia Heyob (Debbie)

Our cancer prayer list of families and friends:Katie Albright-breast (Debbie), Penny-lung (LouAnn), Tammy stage 2 cancer (Jim Blair), Dave Burke-pancreatic cancer (Pastor Ryan), Nancy Turner (Debbie), Angela Brookbank - appendix cancer (Jim W.), Tammy Veverka-breast cancer (Judy M.), Ishita (Cari), Jane Van Arsdale-lung cancer (Judy H.), Kim Schmeltzer-lung cancer (Judy M.), Dakota's mom's friend - cancer (Jenna), Jackie Reynold's -breast cancer (Debbie), Paul Green-lung cancer (Debbie), Cooper Cain-stage 4 cancer (Jim B.), Bev Houze-masses in both lungs, inoperable (Nancy T.), Russ Smith-lung cancer (Roger),

Cammy Hochstrasser (Robin), Lona (Kenn), Leslie Cassidy-cancer in 3 areas (Bonnie), Amy Shackelford (Julie), Doug-pancreatic cancer and coming surgery (Kelley), Ellaine Marshall (Julie), Kim Burkey (Pastor Ryan), Stephanie Riley (Gary)

Sympathy to the families and friends of Kay Ballart, Isaac Bowers, Paul Armbruster

Let us share our PRAISES with the Lord: Serving 48 diners at 4th Street dinner (Debbie), Volunteers serving 4th Street Dinner (All of Us), Serving ice cream at Meet Your Neighbor (All of Us), Will 21 months sober (Everyone), September birthdays-Monica, Shelly, September anniversaries-Nick & Mattie, John & Joan, Robin & Joan (All of us), Jessica worshipping with us (Stephanie), LaJo leading our worship (Bonnie), Lisa Moorhead-Distinguished Woman (Judy H.). Jeff serving at New Castle-UMCOR (Jeff), Jenna's job at 7Brew (Monica), Monica's new van (Monica), Shelly & Verna's help (Judy M.), 60 meals served at 4th Street (Judy H.), Robin Hockstrausser returns (Judy H.), Monica's good report (Monica), successful Music on the Porch (Everyone), UMCOR's help in Indiana-4 teams in our area (Jeff), Jim-good kidney report (Jim), Morgan begins job in September (Debbie), Bible Quizzing Camp at Hamline-26 quizzers (Pastor Ryan), 1 year of helping out neighbors

with Blessing Box (Everyone), Morgan's master's graduation (Debbie), Rob Moorhead: Indiana State Superintendent of the Year (Judy H.), Debbie Fehling's prospective surgery in October (Debbie), Mattie participating in SEI Youth Orchestra (Pastor Ryan), All of the award winners in our church family-including Pastor Ryan (Debbie), Nancy Giffin recovering well (Debbie), Kim Turner Myers' surgery went well (Monica), Cotton's great grandson's birth (Verna), Donna Largent's successful pacemaker (Kathi), Lauren's engagement (Kathi), Our pipe organ turns 123 years old on July 4 (Jim W.), Austin & Richard's 11th birthday (All of us), Julie-SD Staff Member of the Year (Judy H.), Blessing Box filled by St. John Lutheran students (Jeff), Stephanie's training with ERT (Stephanie), Veterans everywhere (Kathi), Power of God's miracles (Cari), Recovery Groups appreciation for sharing our building (All of us)

Those in Nursing Homes & Assisted Living:

Gary Starker, Doris Spencer,

Shut Ins:

Wilma Beyer, Jerry Stonebraker

Special Care & Concerns: Gun violence around the world; all who are suffering after natural disasters. For an end to war and violence

around the world especially in Israel and Ukraine; refugees; discontent in United States, Red Cross workers and volunteers, relief workers

Local Missions: AA, NA, CASA, St. Vincent de Paul, Clearinghouse, YES Home, Heart House, Safe Passage

United Methodist Missions: UMCOR workers and volunteers, Red Bird Mission, Mountain Mission, Lucille Raines Residence, Prayers for our Nation as COVID continues, racial tensions, Christian Unity, our United Methodist Church, Prayers for our cities, for our counties, our state, our police, our firefighters, EMTs, all military men and women and their families, all healthcare workers, first responders, chaplains, missionaries, clergy, persons in financial distress, businesses needing employees
WE ARE SERIOUS ABOUT PRAYER.

To help us keep our lists current, if you see a name that can be removed, PLEASE let us know. If you would like to add a name, please let us know.

If you know of a change, have a concern, or a praise and would like to add a name, you can call the church with the information, mail a note, email Pastor Ryan

(ryangoode1@gmail.com); Judy Mosier (kjmosier@comcast.net); or Jim Waldon (jimgwaldon@gmail.com)

When submitting a prayer request please include the following information—

**** Your Name (required), ** Name of the one needing prayer (*be sure you have their permission to make their need known*), **Nature of Request (surgery, health concern, etc.)**

Quotes to Ponder

From *Live and Learn and Pass It On*, written and compiled by H. Jackson Brown, Jr.: People ages 5 to 95 share what they've discovered about life, love, and other good stuff.

“I’ve learned that life is like a scooter car; not much happens unless you do some peddling.” – Age 79

“I’ve learned that every great achievement was once considered impossible.” – Age 47

“I’ve learned that if you spread the peas out on your plate, it looks like you ate more.” – Age 6

“I’ve learned that you can’t be a hero without taking chances.” – Age 43

“I’ve learned that it doesn’t cost anything to be nice.” – Age 66

“I’ve learned that a strong code of ethics is as reliable as a compass.”
– Age 43