## This Week's Schedule

## August 30

• Worship 5pm

## August 31

• Worship 9am

## September 1

• Labor Day. Church Closed.

## September 2

- Homestead 9am
- Mat Weaving 9-11:30am
- Prayer Devotions @ 12 noon
- AKTION Club 5pm

## September 3

• ELO 9-2pm

## September 4

• Football Supper 5-7pm

## September 5

- ELO 9-10am
- Office closes @ 12 noon.





Free Picnic Supper!

RUNN or SHINE!

FREE HORSE RIDES!!!!

Register for Kids Club!

Fun Night for ALL!



### **Announcements**

**Mission of the Month**- Fill my plate, Fundraiser for Food Packaging.

Fall Kickoff @ Vets Park-September 7 10:30 am Outside Worship. Picnic after. Bring a side to share!

Christian Ed Training Day- September 7 @ 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. This is for all those who will be helping with the Wednesday Night Kids Ministry.

**Block Party**- September 10. 5-6:30pm. Sign Ups are available.

Homecoming Weekend-September 27 &





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YOU!

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#### NATIVITY SCENE OPEN AT THE KOSSUTH COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, FROM 3:00-4:30PM

From 1945 to 2025, the Nativity Scene has inspired countless visitors

#### WORSHIP SERVICE. @ 5PM

Our beautiful organ will be played by guest musician Barb (Harris) Burns. Greetings will be shared from Pastor clergy and spouses. Guest speaker Rev. Katie Dawson.

DESSERT FELLOWSHIP @ 6:15PM

#### WORSHIP SERVICE @ 9:00 AM

Recognition of "50 Year Members". Special music. Guest speaker, Rev. Katie Dawson.

#### DI INCH @ 10:15 AM

Egg bakes, Muffins, Fruit, Juice, Milk, Coffee. 100% of Free Will donations will go to support our local food shelf. Donations of food are welcome too!

#### OUR HISTORY ROOM WILL BE OPEN @ 10:30AM

Many folks don't know about our History Room! There are lots of fascinating items and documents that shed light on the history of our congregation and community.

# ALGONA FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WELCOME SERVE LOVE





AUGUST 30 & 31, 2025

## Order of Worship

## **Responsive Call to Worship:**

Leader: Loving and Merciful Creator, we gather here today in faith, full of love and compassion. We open our hearts and our hands, seeking understanding of your work and in gratitude for our hands. May we use them as your hands in this world. We celebrate and learn from the growing faith and work of our sisters around the world.

ALL: Guide us in our reflections, empower us to serve as instruments of your peace and justice, lifting the gifts, graces, and leadership of the international sisters of United Women in Faith.

**Leader**: "Everyday I call on you, O Lord; I spread out my hands to you." (Psalm 88:9)

ALL: "Lift up your hands to the holy place, and bless the Lord." (Psalm 134:2)

## **Unison PRAYER:**

Lord, we know you set the example for us to reach out. To reach out to anyone/everyone. Keep us reaching out to meet the needs of both our known neighbors and the strangers we haven't yet met. In your Holy Name. Amen

**Song**: Whom Shall I Send, #582 1,2,3,4

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 6: 3-8

Congregational Prayer: God of justice and compassion, we now lift our hands to our sisters and brothers around the world who face challenges in their daily lives. We pray for all who are marginalized and oppressed, may they find strength and resilience in your presence. Grant us the courage to speak out against injustice and advocate for their rights. Use us O God as agents for change. Create a world where all are treated with dignity and respect. Amen

**Song**: Here I Am Lord, #593 1,2,3

**Sharing of Joys and Prayer Requests** 

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Offering and Doxology

## **Offertory Prayer**

We thank you Lord for your generosity to us. We pray that we might return that generosity through the giving of our time, talents, and resources. Let us share our gifts with everyone around us and through this sharing, let them learn of your goodness, your love, your steadfastness. We pray in your Holy Name. Amen

Song: On Eagle's Wings, # 143 1

Children's Message

**New Testament Reading** *I Peter 3: 8-9* 

Message: "Reaching Out to Share God's Love"

**Response**: #273 Jesus's Hands Were Kind Hands

verses 1, 2

**Benediction:** Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your spirit, to reach out to others in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord; using our hands and feet to be your hands and feet on this earth. Amen