

Weekly Schedule

September 29

LHN 8:30-11:30am

ELO 9-2pm

September 30

Mat Weaving 8-11:30am

Homestead 9am

Van Buren 10am

Prayer Devotions @ noon

SPRC 6pm

October 1

LHN 8:30-11:30am

ELO 9-2pm

The Vine 5:30-8pm

October 2

LHN 8:30-11:30am

UWF Executive Meeting 11:15am

General Meeting 12 noon

Football Supper 5-7pm

October 3

ELO 9-10am

Office closes @ 12 noon

October 4

UWF Conference 9-4pm

Men's Breakfast 8am

Worship 5pm

October 5

Worship 9am

High School Sunday School 10:15am

Adult Bible Study 10:15am in Fellowship Hall

Announcements

Mission of the Month-Food Packaging

Trunk or Treat

October 31

5:30-7pm

Sign Ups are available to help that evening or you can donate candy.



Algona First *United Methodist* Church



Homecoming Weekend

SEPTEMBER 27&28, 2025

Order of Worship

Prelude Saturday: Barb Burns

Prelude Sunday: Lori Walton on the piano and Diane Nall on the organ. *“Praise to the Lord” written by Lani Smith*

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship for God’s “Homecoming Court” *1 Peter 2:9*

Pastor: You are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God’s very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

Unison Opening Prayer

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

***Song #73** *“O Worship the King” (Saturday) “Home” & “Today Is The Day” (Sunday)*

Unison Old Testament Reading *Psalm 95:1-7*

O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed. O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Upper Room Ringers *“A Merry Heart” by Cynthia Dobrinski (Sunday)*

Greetings from past Clergy *(Saturday)*

Recognition of Fifty Year Members

Unison Congregational Prayer

Heavenly Father, We come before You today with hearts full of gratitude and joy as we gather for this special occasion—our church homecoming. Father, You have been our foundation through every season. From the very beginning of this congregation’s existence, You have guided, protected, and provided for us. Today, as we reunite with brothers and sisters in Christ, we remember the countless blessings You have poured out upon this congregation.

Lord, we thank You for every person who has been part of this church’s story—those who planted the seeds of faith, those who nurtured and watered them, and those who continue to labor in Your vineyard. We remember with love and gratitude the saints who have gone before us, whose prayers, sacrifices, and dedication have paved the way for us to worship here today. May their legacy of faith continue to inspire us to serve You wholeheartedly.

We also lift up the future of this church to You, Lord. As we celebrate our past, we also look forward with hope and expectation. Guide our leaders with wisdom, strengthen our ministries, and empower us to be a light in this community. May we continue to be a place where the lost find salvation, where the weary find rest, and where Your name is glorified in all that we do. May Your love bind us together now and always, until the day we are reunited in our eternal home with You. In the mighty and precious name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Chancel Choir: *“God Is Our Refuge” by Allen Pote (Sunday)*

***Song #715** *“Rejoice, the Lord Is King” (Saturday) “All the People Said Amen” (Sunday)*

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord’s Prayer

Offering & *Doxology

***Offertory Prayer**

O Lord, you are the King of glory! You fulfilled your promises in the faithfulness of your Son, Jesus. Thank you for making Jesus the Christ eternal king through his resurrection and glorious ascension. The light of his throne shines like a sunrise on people in shadows and sadness. Use our gifts to spread the radiance of the good news so that more people will experience glimpses of your heavenly realm until Christ returns in glory. Amen.

***Song #89** *“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” (Saturday) “Grace Wins” (Sunday)*

Children’s Message

New Testament Reading *Romans 12*

Message *“A Vital Web” Rev. Katie Dawson*

***Response #580** “Lead On, O King Eternal”

***Benediction**

Our church homecoming is not just a celebration of our past; it is a vibrant expression of our faith and a commitment to our future. As we leave this celebration, let us remember the divine love that binds us together and inspires us to live out our calling as a community of believers. Amen.

Chancel Choir “The Lord Bless You and Keep You” arranged by Patrick M. Liebergen (Sunday)

50 YEAR MEMBER CELEBRATION
ALGONA 1ST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
SEPTEMBER 28, 2025
NEW MEMBER INDUCTEES
KENT BARBER
LINDA MANSKE
JUDY SAMP



BRETT BARTLETT
FRANCES BJUSTROM
MARLYS BJUSTROM
SUE BJUSTROM
PEGGY
BOOMGARDEN
JODIE BORMANN
VICKIE BRAGG
JANET BRANDT
LLOYD BROESDER
RITA BUFFINGTON
MARVIN
CHICKERING
JAN COOK
DIANA CRAIL
DICK CRAIL
LEN DAVIS
MARLENE DAVIS
KAREN DEARCHS
ROSEMARY DUNN
DON GATTON
CAROL GROEN
TOM GRUIS
SHARON HANSON
JULIE HAYES
KIRK HAYES
BECKY HELMERS
JERRY HELMERS

BILL HOBSON
SUSAN HOBSON
DR. DOUG HOLMES
LINDA HOLMES
GARY HOOVER
MARILYN HOOVER
SANDY HOOVER
DEE JOHNSON
LARRY JOHNSON
NANCY JOHN SON
TRUDY KATTNER
TOM KATTNER
JEAN KENT
ROSE KING
STEVE KING
RICK KLEIN
LIZ LEBLANC
DENNIS LEIGH
REBECCA LEIGH
JUDY LEN
JEAN LOCKWOOD
SHARON LOVSTAD
GLORIA MCCLURE
MIKE MCNEILL
POLLY MCNEILL
ESTHER MEYER
EDGAR A. MEYER
SHARON MEYER

DAVE MILLER
ELOISE MODRELL
LEONARD OLSON
MARJORIE OLSON
KRIS PETERSON
REG ROBERTS
SHELLY ROBINSON
MARILYN ROOF
PHYLLIS RUSCH
JEAN SABUS
CARLENE SCHMIDT
JANE SCHULTZ
ERBY SHIPLER
NANCY SHIPLER
BOB SMITH
SHARON SMITH
CARLENE SOLBACH
LINDA VALENTINE
MARILYN WALLICK
BRIAN ZWIEFEL
DONNA ZWIEFEL

PAST TO CURRENT PASTORS OF THE ALGONA
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



1866-68~SEYMORE SNYDER
1868-71~REV. J.H. TODD
1971-72~REV. W.L. THORPE
1977-1880~ REV. BENNETT MITCHELL
1880-83~REV. EDWIN HOBBS
1889-91~ REV. WILLIAM WHITFIELD
1894-95~REV. GEORGE KENNEDY
1895-97~REV. GEORGE WHITFIELD SOUTHWELL
1897-99~REV. FRANK E. DAY
1899-1904~REV. ROBERT THOMAS CHIPPERFIELD
1907-10~REV. WALTER TORBET
1910-17~REV. F.C. TAYLOR
1917-23~REV. WILLIAM JAMES TODD
1923-25~REV. ROBERT HERMAN FORRESTER
1925-29~REV. C.H. SEWARD
1929-34~REV. VERN HULSE
1934-37~REV. JOSEPH HENRY EDGE
1937-40~REV. FREDRICK EARL BURGESS
1940-42~REV. HARRY MILTON BURNES
1942-46~REV. NELSON ALLEN PRICE
1946-53~REV. OREN WESLEY BRAND
1953-57~HARRY E. WHYTE
1957-66~REV. NEWTON MCPHERSON COUGHENOUR
1966-68~ WILLIAM R. NOLAND
1968-75~RAYMOND L. RUSSELL
1975-79~GEORGE SNYDER
1979-86~CLIFFORD ISAACSON
1986-1991~REV. DALE ELLSWORTH
1991-95~REV. ELLIS ANDREWS
1995-2003~PHIL WEBB
2003-2008~REV. MICHAEL ORTHIEL
2009-15~REV. STEVEN MCELROY
2015~MILLIE FREESE
2016-17~INTERIM PASTORS:
REV. KAREN DEARCHS & REV. MICHAEL ORTHIEL
2017-23~REV. CINDY FINN
2018-19~REGINA HARRISON
2023-CURRENT~RUSS JACOBSEN