

FOREVER
CHASING
SUNSETS
& JESUS

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 am

Blended Worship
In the Sanctuary

10:10 am

Sunday School

11:00 am

Brunch & Worship
In the
Fellowship Hall

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

*"Sharing the
Love & Hope
of God"*

COMBINED WORSHIP

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

9AM WORSHIP

10AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

There is **NO** 11am Brunch &
Worship Service on this Sunday!



Every First Monday of the Month

AUGUST 2026



FIRST NOTES

First United Methodist Church | 202 S Lincoln | Chanute, Kansas

Pressing On TOWARD THE GOAL

PHILIPPIANS 3:13-14

“Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.”

— Philippians 3:13-14



Like a cyclist who continues pedaling toward the finish line, never looking back but always moving forward with purpose, we are reminded by the Apostle Paul to keep our eyes fixed on Christ and faithfully press on toward the goal He has set before us.

The month of July has been filled with many memorable moments. Although the weather has not always been favorable, that is often part of the gift of summer. Through it all, God has continued to bless the life and ministry of our congregation.



WORSHIP THAT NOURISHES

Our congregation continues to be spiritually nourished through worship each Sunday. I am especially grateful to our Worship Committee for faithfully selecting meaningful hymns and songs that enrich our services. I also extend my sincere appreciation to those who serve as worship leaders, helping to lead us into God's presence each week.



MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

This month's edition highlights several significant ministry milestones. Our Youth Ministry, under the leadership of our new Youth Director, has begun with great enthusiasm, including a week-long mission trip to Parsons, Kansas. While summer is generally a slower season for children's ministries, our Vacation Bible School in June was a tremendous success, and we give thanks to everyone who volunteered, participated, and supported this important outreach.



LOOKING AHEAD

As we look ahead to August, we are excited to continue our sermon series on the Book of Romans. In September, we will begin a new journey through the Book of Exodus, where we will discover God's faithfulness in leading His people and calling them to faithful service.

KEEPING OUR EYES ON CHRIST

Paul's words in Philippians 3:13-14 remind us of the importance of maintaining a singular focus on Christ and continually growing in our faith. He challenges us to leave behind past failures, guilt, disappointments, and even yesterday's successes, so that we may press forward toward the life God has prepared for us. The Christian journey is one of perseverance, continual growth, and unwavering hope as we pursue Christ-likeness and the heavenly prize that awaits us.



May God strengthen each one of us as we continue *Serving Joyfully*, faithfully pressing on toward the goal.

Grace and peace,

Pastor Charles



Prayer Concerns:

Susan Harwood
Heather Adams
Brigette Fisher
David Clark
Jim DeGeer
Elinor Whaley
Judy Johnson
(sister of Mable Roush)
Edna Pruitt
(sister of Elmer Roush)
Mary Lou Manley
Haley Peters
Alice Robinson
Mike Sutcliffe
Nancy Drybread
Kenzi Underwood

Sympathies to the family & friends of:

Katy Finley
Phyllis Bigler
(mother of Heidi Bolt)

Serving in the Military:

Nathan Ruggles
Josh Underwood

PLEASE NOTE: NAMES SUBMITTED FOR THE PRAYER CONCERNS LIST WILL BE REMOVED AFTER TWO WEEKS. PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE @ 431-4240 OR E-MAIL office@fumchanute.com IF YOU NEED TO ADD OR CONTINUE A NAME ON THE PRAYER LIST. THANK YOU!

**“Tell me and
I forget,
Teach me and
I remember,
Involve me and
I learn.”**

~Benjamin Franklin

Chanute First UMC *Pastor's* Preaching Schedule

AUGUST, 2026



Worship Times

9:00AM – 10:00AM: Sanctuary
11:00AM – 12:00 NOON: Fellowship Hall

AUGUST

AUGUST

2

(Combined Worship Service)

Scripture Reading: Romans 9: 1-20

Sermon Title: *Merciful and Sovereign God*

AUGUST

9

Scripture Reading: Romans 10:5-15

Sermon Title: *We are justified by Faith Alone*

AUGUST

16

Scripture Reading: Romans 11:17-22

Sermon Title: *Warning Against Spiritual Pride*

AUGUST

23

Scripture Reading: Romans 12:1-21

Sermon Title: *Love In Action*

AUGUST

30

Scripture Reading: Romans 13:11-13

Sermon Title: *Wake Up: Christ's Return is Near*

We gather to worship, grow in faith, and go to love and serve.

“Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!” — Psalm 150:6

We uphold the United Methodist Church by our PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS



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2026 Monthly
Budget Needs

\$32,363

July 2026

5th \$13,507

12th \$1,409

19th \$4,592

26th GIVE!

Giving to Date \$19,508

2026

	<u>June</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Income	\$ 25,084	\$ 139,787
Expenses	26,361	157,984
Net Income / (Loss)	\$ (1,277)	\$ (18,197)

June Mission Pennies totaled \$129.31 for VBS Expenses

Thank you for your continued giving!



FUMC GO! KIDS

is BACK!

 **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2026**
6:00 PM

FUN! FRIENDS! FAITH!

Kids and youth will be joining together for an evening of **WATER, hotdogs, WATER, snow cones, WATER, games and did I mention WATER??**

We will have several water activities set up for everyone to enjoy so come ready for some fun **and bring a towel!!**

GO!
CURRICULUM
from gocurriculum.com



EVERY WEDNESDAY

Following **SEPTEMBER 9TH**

our kids, 3 year old – 5th grade will meet together for an hour of fellowship, games and most importantly learning about Christ!

WHAT IS "GO!"?

"GO!" is a downloadable Children's Ministry curriculum designed for preschool and elementary kids. More than that "GO!" is...



CHRONOLOGICAL
Bible Journey



GOSPEL CENTERED
Good News at the center



GOD FOCUSED
Discover God's Power



FAITH FORMING
Building a lasting foundation



FILLED WITH FUN!
Games, Worship, Bible, Friends!



Each year the "GO!" Scope & Sequence takes kids on a chronological journey through the entire Bible with different stories and with a different emphasis. During this ministry year, kids will see and experience both God's people and promises through the Big Bible Story, but there will be a special emphasis on **GOD'S POWER.**

From the first days of creation to the resurrection of Jesus and beyond, God has exhibited His omnipotence in the protection, provision and pursuit of His people.

*God is powerful
And He is for us!*

ELEMENTARY
(KIDS K-5TH GRADE)

IMAGINATION TIME MACHINE

A contraption that can take you not only any-where, but any-when! The only limitation is your own imagination!

Join Max on a journey through the Bible. Our Imagination destination: **THE PROMISED LAND.** Kids will get to experience firsthand what it was like to be an Israelite by imagining the sights, sounds, smells, feelings and tastes of life in the land God gave them to call home!

PRESCHOOL
(3 YEAR OLDS – PRE-K)

COPY THAT, COPYCAT!

I copy
YOU!

When it comes to telling Bible stories, the copycat is where it's at!

Preschool kids will be introduced to Otis the cat. Otis is a hand puppet that copies what the children do. As the children act out the Bible story, so does Otis!

As the stories unfold, Otis and the preschoolers will learn that God helps them to be brave and make good choices.

**WE NEED
YOU!**

**We NEED volunteers
and LOTS of them!!**

EVERY volunteer is wanted and needed to provide an amazing program for the kids in our community!!

CONTACT SUSAN LOCKHART



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**YOU
make a
DIFFERENCE!**

FAITH. FUN. FRIENDS. FOREVER.



YOUTH IN MISSION

The home repair mission project in Parsons, Kansas, was organized by Group Mission Trips, a Christian organization that hosts short-term workcamps across North America. The week-long camp gathered youth groups from all over the country to provide free home repairs for low-income and elderly residents. Under local coordination, volunteers built wheelchair ramps, repaired porches, and painted 14 local homes. The initiative serves a dual purpose: providing essential physical restoration to communities in need while fostering spiritual growth and team building among the young volunteers.

SERVING JOYFULLY!

This past month our youth attended the Group Mission Trip in Parsons Kansas. While we were there we were able to help 14 families in their community, from painting the inside, outside of their homes including fences, to completely from the ground up ramps, porches and decks. We were able to bless all of those families and in return they blessed us. The Group Mission Trip not only helped the community while we were there they also set apart 4 times a day for us to stop and reflect what God has and is doing for us. Many of our youth that attended the trip said this experience was life changing for them.

Sara Kessler - Youth Director



OUR CHURCH

Mission Pennies

August Mission Pennies & this month's Noisy Offering will be used to purchase items for the "Blessing Box." Offerings toward the "Mission Pennies" offering may be made throughout the month by putting your change contributions into the little wooden churches as you enter the sanctuary. A "Noisy Offering" is collected on the last Sunday of each month.

Gifts/Prizes Needed

The Church & Society committee continues to need items for the monthly birthday/bingo party held every 3rd Tuesday at the Murray Hill Apartments. A tub to collect these items is located downstairs in front of the elevator.

AGAPE—A Greek word for self-giving love.

The FUMC Agape Fund is a ministry that offers help to a specific area person or a family in need. If you would like to make a donation, just mark "Agape" in the memo line of your check or on-line gift.

Games with Friends

Looking for a great time of fun & fellowship with some great folks? Come on down to the church every 2nd & 4th Thursday at 1:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Games are provided or you can bring a game to share with the group. Come join in on the FUN!!!

Shopping & Fellowship

The Church Van will be taking folks to Pittsburg, Kansas on:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18 leaving from the church parking lot at 9:00am. Those who would like to go should call the church office ASAP. Space is limited! Please bring a little cash for gas.

Electronic Giving

Download "**Vanco Mobile**" free from the App Store. Search for "Chanute" First United Methodist Church. Vanco Mobile provides secure and convenient giving using your debit/credit card or checking/savings account where you might choose to toggle to

"cover processing fees" to reduce the charge for the church.

If you prefer to have money automatically taken from your checking account, contact Sidney Haslett or the church for an authorization form.

Questions?
Contact
Linda Jones



Sunday School Classes for ALL

Have you joined one of our Sunday School Classes yet? Well, stick around after church!

Classes for children & youth meet upstairs.

See below for more information on our adult classes.

Fellowship in Grace & Mercy:

Meets in Room 107 (Library). Facilitator: Corwin Shields

Open Door: Meets in Room 112. (The classroom just off the parlor.) Class led.

Thank You 

Dear Pastor Charles, Ronda & the Ladies of FUMC, Our family deeply appreciates the work and prayers and food that was made. Your help made mom's service beautiful. Thank you all and God Bless!

The family of
Sharon Carpenter

Dear Chanute FUMC, On behalf of all of us at Saint Paul School of Theology, please accept my sincere thanks for the generous support you have extended to our Seminary. Our faculty and staff strive to prepare our students for an innovative, creative ministry. You gift of \$1,000, for the Scholarship Fund, significantly enhances our ability to realize this aspect of our purpose.

Thanks to you, we are able to assist every student at Saint Paul with a generous scholarship. Your gift, along with those from others like you who are dedicated to preparing the next generation of clergy and church leaders, ensures that Saint Paul remains accessible to our students. We could not offer this extensive level of aid to our students without your gifts.

Thank you for so generously supporting Saint Paul and our students!

Sincerely,
Jay Keith Simmons, Ph.D.
President

Fitness Opportunities

TAI CHI
Monday—Friday
9:00am

WALKERCIZE
Mondays & Wednesdays
11:00 am

Jack and Marilyn Gregory

invite you to join them in celebrating
their **55th Wedding Anniversary**
and Jack's **80th Birthday**,
Saturday, September 5, 2026

from 2:00 to 4:00 pm
in the Tree Top Room of the Southridge Apartments
14001 West 92nd Street, Lenexa, Kansas, 66215.

No gifts please.

Please RSVP to their daughter Anna at gregory.anna@gmail.com.

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MAIL

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, August 2: A COMBINED Worship / Communion Service will be held at 9am. (No 11am Brunch & Worship Service on this Sunday!) Sunday School will be at it's normal time of 10am.

Tuesday, August 4: Elections will be set up in the Fellowship Hall from 7am–7pm for those who live within our voting district.

Tuesday, August 18: Fellowship & Shopping will be taking the church van to Pittsburg this month. The van will leave the parking lot at 9:00am. Please bring money to help with the expense of the gas.

Saturday, August 22: A District Conference Strategy Meeting will be held here from 8am–3pm. There will also be an installation of our new District Superintendent, Alice Purvis, in the afternoon.

Wednesday, September 9: GO! Kids Kick Off will take place at 6pm with water games, hot dogs, & snow cones!

**PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE WHEN SCHEDULING
MEETINGS OR EVENTS IN THE CHURCH BUILDING!**
(Be sure to check inside for more details on these events!)

August 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE</u> 9:00 am Worship (Sanctuary) 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Brunch & Worship (Fellowship Hall)						<i>1</i>
2 9:00 am Combined Worship / Communion 10:00 am Sunday School 6:00 pm MS / HS Bible Studies <i>* Combined Worship / Communion Schedule</i>	3 9:00 am Tai Chi 9:30 am Bible Study 1:00 pm Quilt Guild	4 7am—7pm Elections 7:00 pm Trustees	5 9:00 am Tai Chi 11:00 am Walkercize 6:00 pm Youth	6 9:00 am Tai Chi	7 9:00 am Tai Chi	8
9 6:00 pm MS / HS Bible Studies <i>* See Regular Worship Schedule</i>	10 9:00 am Tai Chi 9:30 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Women of Grace	11 9:00 am Tai Chi 5:30 pm SPRC 7:00 pm Church Council	12 9:00 am Tai Chi 6:00 pm Youth	13 9:00 am Tai Chi 1:30 pm Games with Friends	14 9:00 am Tai Chi	15
16 6:00 pm MS / HS Bible Studies <i>* See Regular Worship Schedule</i>	17 9:00 am Tai Chi 9:30 am Bible Study	18 9:00 am Van Trip to Pittsburg for lunch & shopping 6:00 pm Church & Society at Murray Hill Apts.	19 9:00 am Tai Chi 6:00 pm Youth	20 9:00 am Tai Chi	21 9:00 am Tai Chi	22 8am—3pm District Conference Strategy Team / Installation of New District Superintendent, Alice Purvis
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August 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>Please contact the office if your Birthday has been omitted or misreported.</i> <i>We don't want to forget you!</i> 431-4240 <i>office@fumcchanute.com</i>						1  Isaiah 31—34  Adam Finley Christi Ranz
2  Isaiah 35—37  Monica Finley	3  Isaiah 38—41  Julie Baldwin Kohlton Greve	4  Isaiah 42—44  Janice Brunner—Freeze	5  Isaiah 45—48  David Collins Martin Funk Jennifer Richard	6  Isaiah 49—51  Amy Ogle	7  Isaiah 52—56  Susan Sharp	8  Jeremiah 57—60  Ryan Ogle
9  Isaiah 61—64  Shirley Sutton	10  Isaiah 65—66 Jeremiah 1  Mable Roush Jaxson Shepherd	11  Jeremiah 2—4  Meredith Collins Breleigh Harris Sharon Harrison	12  Jeremiah 5—6 	13  Jeremiah 7—9  Larry Rowe	14  Jeremiah 10—12 	15  Jeremiah 13—15  Nicholas Kepley
16  Jeremiah 16—18 	17  Jeremiah 19—22  Lisa Mildfelt Michelle Roberts	18  Jeremiah 23—24  Clara Nothern	19  Jeremiah 25—27  Barbie Baughn Savemore Nyamakope	20  Jeremiah 28—29  Braylee McDonald Matt Richard	21  Jeremiah 30—31 	22  Jeremiah 32—33  Preston Baughn Cora Finley Mark Harwood
23  Jeremiah 34—36  Mary Owen	24  Jeremiah 37—39  Phil Becker Dave Fewins Randy Lemasters	25  Jeremiah 40—42  Paul Park Kent Pringle	26  Jeremiah 43—45  Tutu Nyamakope	27  Jeremiah 46—48  Pastor Larry Myers	28  Jeremiah 49—50  Taylor Bolt Karen Liudahl	29  Jeremiah 51—52 
30  Lamentations 1  Heather Adams	31  Lamentations 2—4  Bailey Luellen					