



# PRAYER CORNER

Prayers for health concerns:

For those who are remembering loved ones:

The family of Ron Olness

Care Center Residents...

Giving thanks & praying for:  
For our nation and leaders...

Our school teachers,  
administrators, students...

Local health care workers...

Law enforcement & emergency  
service workers...

Service women & men and  
their families...

Area congregations...

If you have a loved one you  
would like to have added to  
the Prayer Corner list, please  
contact the Church Office at

507.374.6885 or  
secdcumc@gmail.com

Worship Attendance	Last Sunday
LIVE STREAM VIEWS	NA
IN PERSON	16
TOTAL	16

*God loves you!*

## Annual Conference...

The Minnesota Annual Conference gathering in St. Cloud will be held on June 16th – 18th. Kathy Bartz will be representing our church this year to help conduct the business of the Annual Conference.



If you are interested in giving to the 2026 Conference Love Offering, please make your check out to Dodge Center UMC and put "2026 Love Offering" in the memo line. Go to the Conference website for more details on the Love Offering recipients.



# SHINING STARS

Sunday, June 14, 2026  
Worship - 8:30 a.m.



livestream links

Dodge Center UMC on FaceBook

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The *3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday*  
after  
**Pentecost**

June 14, 2026  
8:30 a.m.


Worship Leader:  
Rev. Dr. Daren Flinck

Accompanist:  
Janet Bugarin

TFWS - The Faith We Sing  
UMH - United Methodist Hymnal

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 Please stand as you are able

**CENTERING WORDS** <sup>1</sup>

*Hang on to God's promises,  
even if you have to hang on for dear life.*

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME - ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*We Come to Worship God*

**PRAISE**

INSERT - *"We Bow Down"*

**CALL TO WORSHIP** <sup>2</sup>

*The God of ages past and days to come is here,  
inviting us to worship and praise.*

*The God of promises and challenges is with us,  
calling us to faithful service.*

*The God of boundless love is with us,  
making every one of God's promises possible.*

 **PRAISE**

TFWS #2002 - *"I Will Call Upon the Lord"*

 **OPENING PRAYER** <sup>3</sup>

**Almighty God, thank you for calling us to worship and for being present among us. Breathe upon us with your Holy Spirit, that we may have the courage and endurance to trust your promises and to answer your call with the same steadfast faithfulness and love that you show to us. Amen.**

## Live Streaming...

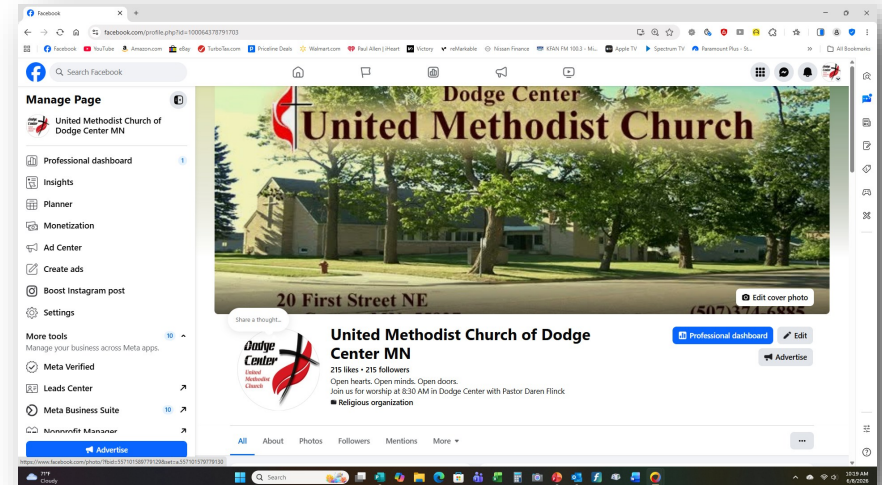
You can catch our live stream broadcast on your smartphone, iPad, Smart TV or computer at this app channel:

Dodge Center UMC FaceBook page  
Dodge Center UMC YouTube Channel

Please note that all of our services can be viewed at the above location even after the service is over. For questions, please contact Pastor Daren.

## Our Facebook Page

We have an active Facebook page that seeks to promote the ministry of our church. Announcements, events, and sharing stories takes place on our Facebook page. We also make special announcements via our page to keep you up to date on schedule changes. Go to Facebook and search for Dodge Center United Methodist Church.



## Pastor Daren's Blog

Pastor Daren has a blog that provides insights and behind the scenes reflections on our busy lives today. Here is the link to Pastor Daren's blog - subscribe to it today (no cost):

[revdaren.blogspot.com](http://revdaren.blogspot.com)



# This Week

**SUN June 14**  
8:30 am Worship  
9:30 am Coffee Fellowship

**MON June 15**  
10:00 am Pastor Daren's Office Hours (until 5:00 p.m.)

**TUES June 16 - June 18**  
Minnesota UMC Annual Conference in St. Cloud

**WED June 17**  
5:00 pm Community Meal

**SAT June 20**  
12:00 pm Celebration of Life: Ron Olness - Visitation  
1:00 pm Celebration of Life: Ron Olness

**SUN June 21 - Father's Day**  
8:30 am Worship  
9:30 am Coffee Fellowship  
2:00 pm Dodgers Parade

## You're Invited!!

Join us for a...

### Community Dinner

**Menu:** Brats, hot dogs, mac n' cheese, baked beans, fruit, cookies.

**Wednesday, June 17, 2026**

Time: 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Dodge Center United Methodist Church  
Corner of 1<sup>st</sup> Street and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue NE



**FREE WILL DONATIONS  
ACCEPTED**

Donations this month will go to the  
Dolly Parton Library.

Sign up using the link below or on the signup sheet in the back of the church to  
set up, serve, or cleanup. Thanks!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094CA5AC2AA1FA7-64259371-umcfree>

## MOMENTS WITH THE YOUNG CHRISTIANS

PRAISE

UMH #454 - "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE - THE LORD'S PRAYER

### We Hear God's Word

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION <sup>4</sup>

*Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we  
may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.*

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON (Page - Pew Bible) Romans 5:1-8

THE GOSPEL LESSON (Page - Pew Bible) Matthew 9:35-10:8a

MESSAGE

*"Shining Stars"*

### We Respond to God's Word

COMMUNION HYMN

TFWS #2263 - "Broken for Me"

HOLY COMMUNION

All who intend to lead a Christian life, together with their children,  
are invited to receive the bread and cup.

Please bring your wafer forward to receive the cup and the blessing.

Everyone is welcome to the table of the Lord.

### We Go Forth to Serve God

🚶 PRAISE

UMH #374 - "Standing on the Promises"

🚶 THE BENEDICTION - 🚶 POSTLUDE

- 1 The Centering Words are based on or inspired by Genesis 18 and Romans 5.
- 2 The Call to Worship is based on or inspired by Genesis 18 and Matthew 10.
- 3 The Opening Prayer is based on or inspired by Romans 5 and Matthew 10.
- 4 The Prayer for Illumination is a traditional prayer used in United Methodist worship.  
All are based on [or taken from] "The Abingdon Worship Annual 2026",  
edited by Mary J. Scifres and B.J. Beu

### *Card of Thanks*

I am very grateful for the leadership of Dodge Center UMC  
for working with me as we begin our journey together. If  
you would like a visit or know someone who would like to  
visit with the pastor, please let me know!

*Pastor Daren*

# We Bow Down

Words & Music by Twila Paris

## Ministry Servants for Today...

Thank You for our ministry servants who are helping out in worship today:

Reader	Kathy Bartz
Counters	Kathy Bartz and Doris Weber
Communion	Linda Wallerich
Scheduled for next Sunday, June 21:	
Reader	Kelly Amunrud
Counters	Kelly Amunrud and Kathy Bartz

## Women With A Purpose...

WWAP will meet Saturday, July 18th at 9:30 AM at the church. Feel free to bring a friend and a snack to share if you wish. Join us for an informal time of fellowship.

## Adult Caregivers Support Group...

Build a support system with people who understand. This caregiver support group is a safe place for ALL caregivers, family, and friends who are caring for someone with chronic illness or dementia to share their concerns, needs and feelings.

Meetings are designed to help in the exchange of practical information on caregiving challenges and possible solutions. We talk through issues and behaviors, hoping to find ways to cope with challenging situations. Participants will learn about community resources. And every so often, we will have an educational speakers.

The meetings are in-person. FIND A SUPPORT SYSTEM TODAY! Feel free to contact Beth Hanggi - 507-261-2989 United Methodist Church of Dodge Center 507-374-6885 (Please leave a message if there is no answer.) This month we will meet on the 11th and the 25th. Normal Date/Time: 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm.

## Bible Study...

One of the most effective ways to grow as a disciple of Jesus (and possibly moving toward being an apostle) is to engage in Bible Study. Pastor Daren would enjoy leading a Bible study here at Dodge Center UMC... but choosing the right time and the right topic is always a challenge. He would like your feedback. If you are interested in hearing more about a Bible study group, or if you have an idea regarding the beginning of one, please contact Pastor Daren at his email address [dflinck@gmail.com](mailto:dflinck@gmail.com) or text / call on his cell phone 651.283.5754.

Verse



1. You are\_ Lord of cre-a - - tion and Lord of my\_ life, Lord of the land.  
2. You are\_ King of cre-a - - tion and King of my\_ life, King of the land.

— and the\_ sea. You were\_ Lord of the heav- - ens be - fore there was \_  
— and the\_ sea. You were\_ King of the heav- - ens be - fore there was \_

Chorus

time, and Lord of all lords You will be. We bow\_ down\_\_\_\_  
time, and King of all kings You will be. We bow\_ down\_\_\_\_

— and we wor - ship You, — Lord. We bow\_ down\_\_\_\_ and we wor - ship You, —  
— and we crown You the\_ King. We bow\_ down\_\_\_\_ and we crown You the\_

Lord. We bow\_ down\_\_\_\_ and we wor - ship You,\_\_\_\_  
King. We bow\_ down\_\_\_\_ and we crown You the\_

Lord. King. Lord of all lords You will be!\_\_\_\_  
King. King of all kings You will be!\_\_\_\_

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The Dodge Center UMC  
Administrative Council  
meeting was held on  
Tuesday, April 21, 2026,  
at 5:30 pm.

ATTENDANCE: Kathy Bartz (Ad Council Chairperson), Beth Hanggi (Trustees), Kelly Amunrud (Treasurer), Lisa

O'Neil (Education), Tyler Kispert (Secretary), Kim Marquardt (SPRC)

MEETING: Kathy called the meeting to order and opened the meeting with a prayer.

SECRETARY: The March 2026 Ad Council minutes were distributed. Motion was made to ap-prove the minutes.

Motion was seconded and approved.

TREASURER: End of March 2026 balance \$21,619.84. (Set aside for parsonage negative -\$1378.21, property taxes

were received for \$2606, agreed to pay only half that are due until parsonage balance is in the positive). Memorial fund

end of March 2026 balance \$18,402.40.

TRUST FUND: End of March 2026 balance \$70,558.27.

TRUSTEES: grass seed was put down at the church, calling to see about filing in spots and burying exposed wire on the south side of church.

SPRC: No update on new pastor. Pulpit supply until July appointment. Michelle will contact Janet for who to put as pastor for weekly bulletins, agreed to mail \$150 pulpit supply checks out.

EDUCATION: May 17th – last day of Sunday school. May 20th – Last Wednesday school

Heifer International raised \$1002 – animals will be picked out on May 3rd

PASTOR: n/a

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Motion approved to get gift cards from Kwik Trip for the graduates mentioned in last months minutes.
- Annual Conference, June 16-18, 2026 Kathy will be going for our church. Discussed Love Of-fering campaign
- May 20, 2026 Dinner: Sloppy Joes, chips, macaroni salad, fruit crisps

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at 5:30 PM

Tyler Kispert, Administrative Council Secretary

**GOD'S DIRECTION IS ALWAYS BEST!**

*Results of Justification*

Romans 5:1-8 - NRSV

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup> through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup> And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, <sup>4</sup> and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup> and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup> For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person - though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup> But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

*Jesus Sends the Disciples*

Matthew 9:35-10:8a - NRSV

<sup>35</sup> Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness. <sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; <sup>38</sup> therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

<sup>1</sup> Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. <sup>2</sup> These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee and his brother John; <sup>3</sup> Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup> Simon the Cananaean and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

<sup>5</sup> These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not take a road leading to gentiles, and do not enter a Samaritan town, <sup>6</sup> but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup> As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' <sup>8</sup> Cure the sick; raise the dead; cleanse those with a skin disease; cast out demons.

**TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL [YOUR] HEART...**

PROVERBS 3:5

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# Charting the Course

Sunday, June 14th, 2026

## "Shining Stars"

Based on Matthew 9:35-10:8a



### I. Working On Salvation...

- a. Paul tells us we need to work out our salvation with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

### II. The 12 Shining Stars...

- a. The 12 disciples were incredibly \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus.  
b. Jesus saw a great need for \_\_\_\_\_ to share the good news to all the people.

### III. Disciple or Apostle?

- a. A disciple is one who \_\_\_\_\_ in and \_\_\_\_\_ the teachings of a leader.  
b. An apostle is one who is sent out on a specific \_\_\_\_\_ on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_.  
c. The disciples were given \_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_ work, which went beyond that of a just being a disciple.

### IV. Those in the Apostolic Entourage...

- a. ...were not \_\_\_\_\_.  
b. ...who follow Jesus should be in \_\_\_\_\_.  
c. ...need to think of themselves as \_\_\_\_\_ in faith.  
d. ...are \_\_\_\_\_ Christians in \_\_\_\_\_ times.  
e. The success of God's mission depends upon those to whom it has been \_\_\_\_\_.

### V. Charting Our Course in Life This Week

In one sentence, this is my plan to make the shift from a disciple to an apostle:

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Answers:

- 1a) fear, trembling  
2a) loyal  
3a) believes, follows  
4a) groupies  
4d) ordinary, special

- 2b) helpers  
3b) mission, another  
4b) faith community  
4e) entrusted

- 3c) apostle-style  
4c) learners

# Behind Today's WORSHIP Music

## Insert "We Bow Down"

This song exhorts us to bow down and kneel before the Lord in worship. The text was written and the tune was composed both by Twila Paris Wright in 1984. The song praises Jesus Christ as Lord and King. The concept of bowing down to God is deeply rooted in both the Old and New Testaments. Psalm 95:6, for example, calls on believers to "worship and bow down".

## 2002 "I Will Call Upon the Lord"

"I Will Call Upon the Lord" is a popular Christian worship song written in 1981 by traveling Bible teacher Michael O'Shields. It was originally written to help small, rural congregations participate in congregational worship through call-and-response singing. The lyrics draw directly from Old Testament scripture: Psalm 18:3: "I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies." The song has gained widespread popularity and is frequently used in churches today.

## 454 "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

This song was written in 1895 by American composer Clara H. Scott, an Illinois-born composer and pioneer as a female publisher of anthems. Inspired by Psalm 119:18, it is a hymn of consecration focused on seeking spiritual insight, clarity, and truth. It was one of the first anthems published by a woman. This text prays for openness to God's leading – for open eyes to see the truth, for open ears to hear the truth, and for an open mouth to bear the truth. The believer waits, ready to do God's will.

## 2263 "Broken for Me"

The communion hymn "Broken for Me, Broken for You" was written and composed by English musician Janet Lunt. It was published in 1978 and is widely used during the Lord's Supper to reflect on Christ's sacrifice. The hymn features distinct lyrical refrains focused on the Eucharist: "He offered His body, He poured out His soul, Jesus was broken that we might be whole". "Come to My table and with Me dine, eat of My bread and drink of My wine."

## 374 "Standing on the Promises"

The promises of God sustain the believer in every situation of life; that is the subject of this 1886 gospel song by Kelso Carter, a Methodist pastor active in the late 19th century Holiness movement. God's promises do not fail even in times of doubt and fear. They bind Christians to Jesus through love, helping us to overcome problems and sin in daily life. Simple and repetitive in its musical style, it is a favorite of many evangelical Christians.

*These descriptions are found in the book  
"The Hymns of the United Methodist Hymnal" by Diana Sanchez  
and other sources from the internet.*

