

Coffee with the Pastor Come learn more about our congregation & denomination and consider taking the next step to membership! *(New Members will be received in worship on Sunday, Oct. 3rd)* Today, immediately following worship in the Wing (fellowship hall)

Nursery Staff Needed! We are looking to hire two nursery staff attendants to fully staff the nursery for children under age 4. Adults and youth ages 16 and up may apply!
Apply here: www.polkcitiumc.org

3rd & 4th Grade Bibles Children in 3rd and 4th Grades will be presented with Bibles during worship on Sunday, October 10th! We'd love to have their names so we can prepare their bible just for them! Register here: www.polkcitiumc.org

Church Fall Festival Mark your calendars and invite your friends to join us for an outdoor celebration, **Sunday Oct. 10** immediately following worship. Enjoy food, games, a mission project and fun activities for all ages! More information: www.polkcitiumc.org

Missions: Flood Buckets & Coat Drive Two ways to be personally involved in helping others. Donate items for UMCOR Flood Cleaning kits for those impacted by recent hurricanes, and bring coats of all sizes for UMW's collection for Bidwell-Riverside and Hawthorn Hills.
More Information: www.polkcitiumc.org

Confirmation The next confirmation class for any students in 8th grade & up begins Oct. 24 and will meet about every other Sunday right after worship throughout the school year. We'll be taking some fun field trips, too! Register here: www.polkcitiumc.org

GET INVOLVED:

_____ Please add me/us to your newsletter mailing list.

I am interested in: _____ baptism _____ confirmation _____ membership

_____ serving in worship (*circle:*) greeter / liturgist / audio / visuals / communion

_____ working in the nursery

I have a prayer request: _____

_____ (Confidential? _____)

_____ I would like a call or visit from the pastor



WELCOME TO WORSHIP
SEPTEMBER 26, 2021



#LOVELIKEJESUS | Fall Worship Series

Love isn't just something you feel - Love does. Love acts in ways that brings healing, wholeness and restoration. Love can lead the way to a better life. Join us for a fall worship series that studies Jesus' life, teachings and actions so that we can become more deeply committed Christians who Love like Jesus!

Fall Bible Challenge

Join us as we read through the Gospel of Luke in 6 weeks! Find the reading plan at www.polkcitiumc.org/grow

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GATHERING SONG

“Mighty to Save”

WELCOME/CONGREGATIONAL GREETINGS

www.polkcityumc.org/online-worship

Please record your presence in the Facebook comments or the website connect card

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The buzz of the world interrupts our lives and fills our ears

Many: Call us into Your way of life, O God

One: The complaints of others settle in our mind and cloud our vision

Many: Lead us into Your vision of life, O God

One: The cries of the poor, the oppressed and the outcast pierce our hearts

Many: Guide us in Your example of living for others, O God

One: Fill our hearts, fill our eyes, fill our ears with Your love, O God

Many: Let us be Your hands and feet in the world, O God, as we strive to love like Jesus.

All: Let us worship You together.

SONG OF PRAISE

“You Are My Strength”

OFFERING

www.polkcityumc.org/give

Make your offering online or mail checks to 1421 W. Broadway St., Polk City, IA 50226

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Lord of power and compassion, we are so overwhelmed in these times with fears. We fear that we will not have enough of whatever we need to survive. We fear the anger and hostility that abides in the world, in our own country, in our own neighborhoods. All around us is anxiety about living. And we draw into ourselves as a response to the needs. But you, O Lord, are the bright light, the power to heal, the reassuring hand of comfort and strength. You offer to us healing love, strength for our exhausted souls, courage to face whatever comes, with the full confidence that you are with us in all these times. Forgive our weakness and our little faith. Give us hearts of strength and hope. As we offer you the gifts of our talents, treasures, and time, enable us to follow your example to reach out to others with welcome, healing, forgiveness, and love. Amen.

CHILDREN’S CHAPEL

www.polkcityumc.org/children

Children age 3 & up are invited to a time of children’s worship, message & activities and will return during closing song

JOYS & CONCERNS

Turn to a neighbor to share joys and concerns, or submit prayer requests in the Facebook comments or the Attendance Card on our website or in the bulletin

PASTORAL PRAYER / LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

SONG OF REFLECTION

“Be Still My Soul”

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 7:1-17

SERMON

“Love Shows Compassion”

Pastor Melody Webb

SONG OF SENDING

“The River”

WORDS OF BLESSING

Fall Bible Challenge | September 26 – October 2

- Read Luke chapters 5 - 8
- Find questions for reflection or discussion at www.polkcityumc.org/grow
- Want to join a texting, Facebook or in-person small group for discussion? Email Pastor Melody to get connected! melody.webb@polkcityumc.org

CONNECT CARD Thanks for worshipping with us! We would like to get connected. Please take a moment to provide us with some basic information, then drop this card in the offering plate.

Name #1: _____ **Name #2:** _____

Email #1: _____ **Email #2:** _____

Phone #1: _____ **Phone #2:** _____

Address: _____

Children’s names (if applicable): _____

I / We are: _____ First Time Visitors _____ 2nd or 3rd Time Visitors _____ Regular Attenders