



POLK CITY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 18, 2020

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SMALL GROUPS are forming and we want every adult to get connected for study, spiritual growth & connection. Click the links to JOIN!

- **Adult Bible Study:** Sundays at 10:30 AM, patio behind the Wing & on ZOOM
- **Texting Small Group:** on your own time; sign up to receive texts
- **Virtual Tea Time:** Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 3:30 PM on ZOOM
- **Walking Club:** Tuesdays at 5:15 PM, Sandpiper Recreation Area
- **Selah Yoga Group:** Wednesdays at 5:30 PM, PCUMC soccer field

YOUTH GROUP for 6th-12th grade and **FUEL KIDS** for 3rd-6th grade meet outdoors Sundays following worship. We're making **birdfeeders today** for friends in nursing homes.

OCTOBER MISSIONS:

- Bring canned food for the **Youth DMARC Halloween Food Drive**, or [donate HERE](#).
- Give to the **Des Moines Hunger Hike**: [donate HERE](#).

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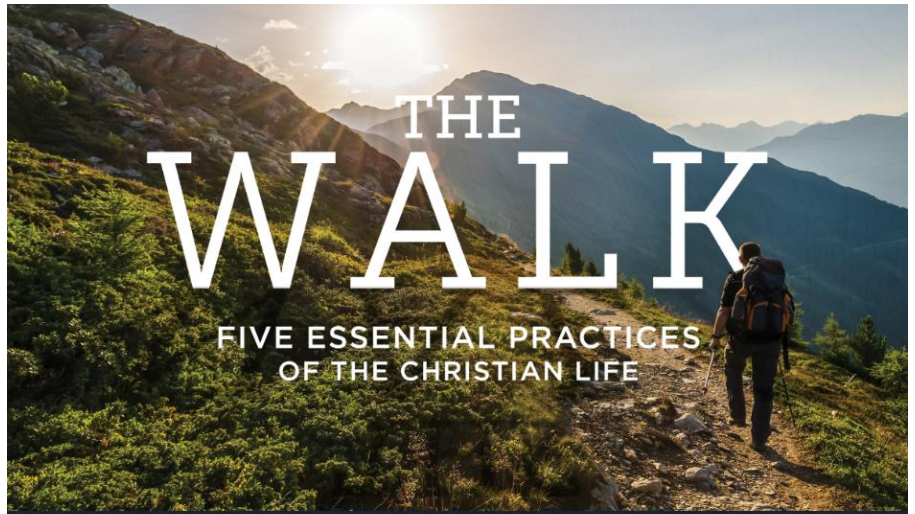
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SHARE Be a Witness 

We are called to be Christ's ambassadors, sharing God through word and deed.

Goals to close the spiritual gap in my life:

- I will talk about my faith with five people in the coming year.
- I will invite five people to join me for worship.

When you begin your day:

Read these scriptures.

Matthew 4:19

Jesus said, "Come follow me and I'll make you fishers of people."

Matthew 5:16

Let your light shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

2 Corinthians 5:20

We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us.

And, pray this prayer:

"Lord, help me to follow you today and look for ways to be a living witness who shares your love with those around me in your holy name, Amen."

Simple ways to begin sharing your faith:

Invite people to church

Invite someone that doesn't go to church to join you for worship, online or in-person

Invest in the next generation

- Invite families to children, youth & family groups and activities
- Volunteer with youth & children ministries

Share through social media

Follow, react to, comment on and share posts from Polk City UMC; check in on Facebook when you're here for worship or a small group or event

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

All words for communal speaking and singing are included below. Attend to these words for worship, and if you are masked, you may speak and sing aloud, but quietly. Say hello and post prayer requests in the [Facebook](#) comments or fill out the [website](#) connect card.

SONG OF PRAISE

“Mighty to Save”

CCLI Song # 4591782

Verse 1

Everyone needs compassion
Love that's never failing
Let mercy fall on me
Everyone needs forgiveness
The kindness of a Savior
The hope of nations

Verse 2

So take me as You find me
All my fears and failures
Fill my life again
I give my life to follow
Everything I believe in
Now I surrender

Chorus

Savior He can move the mountains
My God is mighty to save
He is mighty to save
Forever Author of salvation
He rose and conquered the grave
Jesus conquered the grave

Bridge

Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing
For the glory of the risen King
Jesus
Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing
For the glory of the risen King

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Matthew 4:18-20

¹⁸ As [Jesus] walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” ²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

Matthew 5:14-16

¹⁴ “You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵ No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.”

Matthew 28:19-20

¹⁹ “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you.”

PRAYER

Lord, thank you for your love for us. Thank you for the people you have brought into our lives who brought us to you. Thank you for giving them the courage to live their faith in such a way that we saw you through them. Bless them for the blessing they have been to us. Lord, we pray today that you will use us as you have used them, that we might be your light that pushes away darkness. Help us to be your witnesses every day, to be fishers who draw people to you. May all that we do allow others to see a reflection of you. We pray these things in the name of Christ, the Light of the World. Amen.

SONG OF PREPARATION**“Fish for People”***Verse 1*

I will make you fish for people
 Fish for people fish for people
 I will make you fish for people
 If you follow me

I will make you fish for people
 If you follow me

Verse 2

... serve the Lord

Refrain

If you follow me
 If you follow me

Verse 3

... build the kingdom

SERMON**“Witnesses: Going Fishing, Reflecting Light”****Rev. Melody Webb****OFFERING OUR PRAYERS, OUR GIFTS, OUR LIVES**

Post prayer requests in the [Facebook](#) comments or fill out the [website](#) connect card.

Make your offering [online](#) or mail checks to 1421 W. Broadway St., Polk City, IA 50226 (Attn: Finance Secretary)

SONG OF SENDING**“Build Your Kingdom Here”****CCLI Song # 6186078***Verse 1*

Come set Your rule and reign
 In our hearts again
 Increase in us we pray
 Unveil why we're made
 Come set our hearts ablaze with hope
 Like wildfire in our very souls
 Holy Spirit come invade us now
 We are Your church
 We need Your pow'r in us

Chorus

Build Your kingdom here
 Let the darkness fear
 Show Your mighty hand
 Heal our streets and land
 Set Your church on fire
 Win this nation back
 Change the atmosphere
 Build Your kingdom here we pray

Verse 2

We seek Your kingdom first
 We hunger and we thirst
 Refuse to waste our lives
 For You're our joy and prize
 To see the captives' hearts released
 The hurt the sick the poor at peace
 We lay down our lives for heaven's cause
 We are Your church
 We pray revive this earth

Verse 3

Unleash Your kingdom's pow'r
 Reaching the near and far
 No force of hell can stop
 Your beauty changing hearts
 You made us for much more than this
 Awake the kingdom seed in us
 Fill us with the strength and love of Christ
 We are Your church
 We are the hope on earth

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