



First United Methodist Church
610 E 4th Avenue
Miller, SD 57362



Pastor Teresa Whetsel Collin Otteson, Organist
2nd Sunday after Epiphany January 17, 2021

*As I prepare my heart for worship today,
I pray like young Samuel:
"Speak, for your servant is listening"*

Welcome & Announcements

*Praise Song: "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

*Call to Worship:
One: God knows each one of us personally and God loves each one of us.

Many: Thanks be to God for such wondrous love!

One: Come this day into the presence of God.

Many: We come with overflowing hearts!

One: Celebrate God's mercy and compassion.

Many: Praise be to God who offers us hope. AMEN.

Opening Prayer:
Awesome God, you have a role for each of us in your Kingdom. Open our hearts and our spirits today to hear your word for us. And, upon hearing the word, may we be convinced of our call to ministry and mission through the church and may our hearts and minds be opened to welcome all in your name. Bless us with your presence and your powerful love, for we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

Offering

*Doxology

Offertory Prayer:
Holy God, like the first disciples, we have heard the call to follow Jesus! Yet too often, we have failed to introduce him to others, not willing to take the risks that go with true discipleship. As we bring our tithes and offerings to you this day, make us bold in following. May we give more readily, love more deeply, show mercy and compassion more extravagantly, and seek justice for others courageously. Help us to walk in the steps of the one we follow. In Christ's holy name, we pray. Amen.

Children's Time

Hymn: "Lord, Speak to Me"

Gospel Reading: John 1:43-51

Message Anything Good?

Joys/Concerns

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.

*Closing Hymn "Take My Life, and Let It Be"

*Benediction

In these days of "social distancing" we need to be intentional in our care for one another. Remember to pray for each other. Also phone calls and greeting cards can mean so much for those who are shut in.



Prayer List:

Ida Moser – LaVerta Palmer (Huron) / Virginia Burgher -
Dorothy Fawcett - Violet Moncur - Don & Eleanor Steptoe
(MGSC) /Helen Dalton (TX)

Others: Merle Bertsch - Norma Carr –Steve Danburg
Rita & Aaron Ellsworth –Steve Ellsworth - Arlette Heitzman -
Terri Henson - Del & Doris Jury – Jim Keeter, Sr.
Gene & Ila Norton – Rick Norton – Lloyd Schwartz
Doug Testerman

PLEASE contact the church or the Pastor to add or remove names from prayer list or to request a call from Pastor Teresa.

At this time of increased Covid-19 cases in our community, please keep our community, our state, and our nation in your prayers. Let these prayers be for the safety and well-being of others. May we pray today, and always, that in all things, at all time, in all places, God's will, not ours be done.

**Welcome as we thank and worship God
for his wonderful works and listen for
his word to us today.**



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