

UPCOMING EVENTS

Come to the Table

The meal for this Wednesday, April 22, 2026 will be Walking Tacos, shredded lettuce, shredded cheese, sour cream & salsa.

UNSPOKEN CONCERT

Our Unspoken Concert is getting closer! It will be on Sunday, April 26, 2026 @ 6:00pm in the sanctuary. UNSPOKEN is a powerhouse in Christian music, with over 350 million streams and 11 Top 13 hits! Their mission is to be “unspoken testimonies” to God’s love and power. The tickets can be picked up at the church office or on-line. The tickets are free but donations are accepted.

College Care Gift Cards

The NOW Committee will be sending out gift cards to college students the last week of April. Please have your student’s name and address submitted to the church office by Today (Sunday, April 19, 2026)

Bulletin Challenge

Don’t forget about the bulletin challenge that Andy has initiated.. Instead of throwing them away or leaving them on the church pews to be thrown away, please take your bulletin with you and give it to either someone you know or someone you don’t know and tell them this is the church you attend and you would love to have them join us!

Bells in Motion

Bells in Motion is a progressive handbell ensemble from Central Illinois, that will be playing on Sunday, May 3rd at 4:00 pm at St. James Lutheran Church, 727 West Gallatin Street. The ensemble combines seven octaves of bronze and aluminum handbells, chimes, string bass, drums, and other musical instruments. They perform music ranging from jazz to pop to big band to Broadway and to American Spirituals. So mark your calendar and tell all your friends!

Lighthouse Baby Bottle Campaign

We will be participating in the Lighthouse Pregnancy’s Baby Bottle Campaign this year. We will have the bottles at the church the week of April 27th. Please pick one up and return it no later than June 21st.

THIS WEEK’S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, April 19

12:00pm, Family Center Rented

Monday, April 20

Newsletter Articles Due

Wednesday, April 22

6:15am, Men’s Bible Study
2:00pm, Pastor’s Bible Study
5:30pm, Come to the Table
6:00pm, Youth Groups

Thursday, April 23

8:00am, Family Center Reserved
10:00am, Coffee, Christ & Cards
6:30pm, Trustee’s Meeting

Friday, April 24

8:00am, Family Center Reserved

Saturday, April 25

Family Center Reserved for Unspoken

Happy Birthday

19—Jake Tjaden
21—Hudson Schneider
Kristin Stombaugh
23—Harper Goldsboro
Tim Michel
24—Butch Johnston
25—Austin Warren

Happy Anniversary!

21—Jaicob & Taylor Arndt
22—Ed & Kim Taylor

First United Methodist Church Vandalia, Illinois

Pastor Curtis Flake

April 19, 2026

9:30 am



First United Methodist Church

APRIL 19, 2026

Children start the service in the Sanctuary and leave for Kingdom Kids after Children's Moments.

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering

*Call to Worship

*Opening Songs

Lift High the Cross

UMH 159

*Opening Prayer

Proclamation

Children's Moments

Anthem

Come, Christians Join to Sing

Sanctuary Choir

Scripture

Matthew 22:37 - 39, John 13:34 - 35

Sermon

"Love Boldly"

Curtis Flake

Table

Offertory Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

UMH 451

*Doxology

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 94

Joys & Concerns

Pastoral & Lord's Prayer

Sending Forth

*Closing Hymn

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

TFWS 2223

*Benediction

Postlude

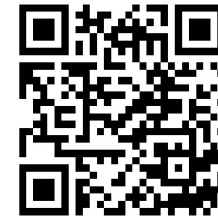
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Worship Leaders

JD Vieregge/Jacy Fulk, **Head Ushers**
, **Usher**
Addi Flake, **Acolyte**
Alan & Shannon Lurkins, **Greeter**
Patti Craycroft, **Liturgist**
Taryn Flake, **Beatsmith**
Deb Cook, **Song Leader**
Bill Warner, **Bus Driver**
Kim Warner, **Bus Greeter**
Sam Flake, **Video Tech**
Rand Craycroft, **Sound Tech**
Barb Paine, **Offering Collector**
Sue Burnam, **Kingdom Kids**



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