



## Welcome To Worship

We are so glad you have chosen to worship God with us today.



First United Methodist Church of Palatine, Illinois  
Second Sunday after Pentecost | Holy Communion  
June 7, 2026 • 9:30am

**Before entering worship, please ask for prayer cards from Ushers to make your request.**

Kindly record your presence in the attendance pad in the pews.  
*Please silence all mobile communication devices.*

**\*Please rise in body and spirit as you are able.**

### GATHERING IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

**PRELUDE** *Prelude and Fugue in D* *Handel* **Linda Camp**

#### WELCOME

#### \*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)** **Ally Hadcock**

Leader: Come to Christ, that living stone, rejected by the world, but in God's sight chosen and precious.

**People: We have responded to Christ's call, and seek to be built into a spiritual house, a living reminder of God's presence on earth.**

L: Once we were no people, but now we are God's people, called out of darkness into God's marvelous light. Therefore, we sing with the Church in all ages:

**P: Blessed be Your name, O God, our Redeemer. By Your mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.**

**All: Amen.** Book of Worship #456 Rutch C Duck, U.S.A., 20<sup>th</sup> Cent.

**\*OPENING PRAYER (unison)** **Allen Austin**

O God of life, there is much that deals in doubt, despair and death in our world, and we are often tempted to succumb to these forces. Help us always to choose life; to affirm what can be affirmed, to hope where hope is possible; and to risk ourselves to lift up human dignity.

**For we pray in the name of Christ, who is the Way and the Truth and the Life. Amen.**

Bread for the Journey, Ruth C. Duck.

**\*OPENING HYMN UMH #365** *Grace Greater Than Our Sin* **Led by Chancel Choir**

**RECOGNITION OF SERVICE** **John Schmelzel**  
**Allen Austin**

### OFFERING OUR PRAYERS TO GOD

**SHARING OF PRAYER CONCERNS** **Rev. Robert Sathuri**

L: Lord in Your mercy

**P: Hear our prayer**

#### SILENT PRAYERS

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (unison)** **Rev. Robert Sathuri**

Strong covenant God, save us from being self-centered in our prayers, and teach us to remember to pray for others. May we be so bound up in love with those for whom we pray that we may feel their needs as acutely as our own, and intercede for them with sensitiveness, with understanding and with imagination. This we ask in Christ's name. **Amen.**

Book of Worship #518 Based on words from John Calvin, Switzerland, 16<sup>th</sup> Cent.

## THE 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.

## CARES CHORUS (sung)

*I cast all my cares upon you, I lay all of my burdens down at your feet,  
and any time I don't know what to do, I cast all my cares upon you.*

## OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*Ushers will pass the offering plates in the pews.  
Thank you to all who give during worship and online.  
Please remember to sign the attendance pads*

## ANTHEM

*Softly and Tenderly W. Thompson arr Raney*

Chancel Choir  
Diane Hannibal, Director

## PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

### \*DOXOLOGY (sung)

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye Heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.*

### \*OFFERTORY PRAYER (unison)

Rev. Robert Sathuri

O God, we are so grateful for Your abiding love. We pray that we may embody a spirit of love and self discipline, grounded in the power of Your grace. We are taught in so many ways- some subtle ways, some blatant ways—fulfill all of our wants by consuming things. Remind us during this moment that we are called to invest in You. We join Christians around the world today who proclaim Jesus Christ as Savior. May we draw strength from this unity and from this act of sacrificial giving. In the name of One God, who offers grace, mercy, and peace, we pray. Amen.

Worship and Song #151 David Bell, 2007 General Board of Discipleship

## HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

### \*GOSPEL READING

Matthew 9:9-13 & 18-26

Serena Palmer

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God!

P: Thanks be to God!

### MESSAGE:

*"Confirmed for What?"*

Rev. Robert Sathuri

### Confirmation

Please follow on Page 45 of the United Methodist Hymnal

Introduction to the Service

Rev. Robert Sathuri

Introduction of Confirmand

Gina Hubbard

Emilio Palmer

Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

Allen Austin

Presentation for Confirmation

Gina Hubbard

Emilio Palmer's video Statement of Faith

Confirmation by Laying on of Hands

Reception into the United Methodist Church

Rev. Robert Sathuri

Commendation and Welcome

Congregation Response on Page 48

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please follow on page 15 of the United Methodist Hymnal:  
The Great Thanksgiving



*All are invited to come forward and receive communion at the direction of the ushers.*

*Gluten-Free bread is available.*

*Please indicate to an usher if you would like to receive communion in your pew.*

*Consecration of the bread and the cup.*

**\*\*Emilio will serve communion to the Palmer family first then congregation follows\*\***

*Sharing the Bread and the Cup*

Please sing the first and last verses of the Communion songs

#628- *Eat This Bread (sing twice)*

#620- *One Bread, One Body*

#629- *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart*

#593- *Here I Am, Lord*

**\*CLOSING HYMN #394**

Something Beautiful (sing twice)

Led by Chancel Choir

### MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

**\*POSTLUDE**

*Magnificat Guilmant*

Linda Camp



### PRAYER TIME

To request prayers before or during Worship Service,  
please ask for cards from the Ushers.



**Prayers for those in assisted living and nursing facilities or homebound**

Annette H. // Bill Hoff. // Gary S. // Bill B.

**Prayers for God's healing touch-members**

Donna H. // Gary S. // Denise & Brian H. // Annette H. // John S.

**Prayers for family and friends of members seeking God's healing**

Lynn G. Sister of Elaine B. // Jack, cousin of Colleen R.

Toots N. Mother of Coleen R. // Joel, nephew of Robert & Teresa S.

**Prayers for God's Help & Blessings**

Lambert & wife, Symballine, in their efforts to return to the U.S.A.

**Prayers of Peace, Tolerance and Acceptance throughout the church, community and world.**

**Prayers for our Children and Youth**

**Junior High Graduates:** Emilio Palmer

**Senior High Graduates:** Divine Agbohla, Oscar Haskins, Lindsey Kaleta, Lukas Kozak, Sam Pederson

- To make a submission for the All Week Long, please email or drop off in person by Wednesday at noon.
- If you require a pastoral visitation or phone call or have a prayer request that you would like for the All Week Long, please contact [office@fumcpalatine.org](mailto:office@fumcpalatine.org)  
When requesting prayers for a friend or family member, please include an address so we can send them a note.
- You may also send prayer requests and requests for a Stephen Minister and other care ministries to [unitedcaringministries@gmail.com](mailto:unitedcaringministries@gmail.com) or call/text 224-573-8401

## **A MESSAGE FROM THE FINANCE TEAM**

Dear Church Family,

I am writing to you today as the church's Chair of Finance to make you aware of the possibility that the church may need to sell the vacant lots currently hosting the church's community garden. I have spoken previously in church about potential asset sales. It is not our wish to sell any of the church's assets, but the fact is that our pledges have not met our finance goals for the last few years. As good stewards, we must be prepared to do what is necessary. The Church Council has asked that the Trustees look into such a sale. This will not happen immediately, as the process for doing so is lengthy, but we have begun to take necessary steps to be prepared if needed.

We've all done a great job at reducing church debt, but the mortgage is still a huge drain on our budget. Reducing it would enable us to better serve you and the community.

If a sale becomes necessary, all due diligence of appraisals and such will be done, following all prescribed UMC processes. We would list the properties for sale and would strive to sell to an entity whose principles and values align with the church's. We want everyone to be aware of this situation so there are no surprises. If you would like further information or might be interested in buying these lots, don't hesitate to let me know.

There will be an all Church Conference on Sunday, July 12 at the conclusion of the worship service to discuss and vote on this issue.

Yours in Christ, Sam Ferguson.



*Sharing the Word and Work of God*

**A New Vision for The United Methodist Church**  
**Love Boldly. Serve Joyfully. Lead Courageously.**

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**Starting June 14, 2026**

- **Summer Sunday School** for our School Age kids will focus on the Parables! Kids will come to worship and be excused at the offering time to meet with their Sunday School teachers in the Lobby. They will spend the summer hearing the “Stories of Jesus” focusing on The Parables.
- **An exciting, new Youth Ministry** is starting this summer too. Teens, Youth, College Age and Young Adults are invited to a new Bible Study titled: “Faith and Evidence: From Genesis to the Empty Tomb” led by Bob Hadcock. This class will encourage Bible students to answer questions about the authenticity of the Bible. The class will meet at 11:00 on Sundays down in the Youth Room. Snacks, beverages and Bibles will be provided. The changes in Summer allow an opportunity for kids and youth who haven’t participated in the past to get in on a class that is brand new!
- **Higher Grounds (current issues)** meets in the Adult Conference Room @ 11a, Or join on Zoom. Current book is America’s Best Idea: The Separation of Church and State by Randall Balmer. Coordinators, Linda & Rick Craft ljcraft@att.net

**NEW MEMBER CLASS**

If interested in joining the church, please contact Pastor Robert via email rsathuri@fumcpalatine.org.

**MISSION & COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

- **Palatine Food Pantry** Our next church wide collection will be on **Communion Sunday, June 7, 2026**. Please consider regular donations. **No Expired Foods Please.** Thank you.
- **Meals on Wheels** If you are interested in delivering meals, contact Gil W. Ph: 847-209-8603
- **Adaptive Books Workshop** - June 17, 11a -1p, Gathering Place (lower level)
- **Teddy Bears Ministry** - Tuesday, June 16, 2026, 1:00p, Gathering Place (lower level)
- **Prayer Blankets** Gayla Swansen (847-705-8659) to receive kits or for more information.
- **Love Packages** drop off Bibles and other Christian materials outside the church office.
- **FUMCP’s Community Garden** The 2026 season has started. All are welcome and no gardening experience is necessary. Questions? See/call Brian Huff @ 224-828-8802

**SERVING OUR CHURCH**

- **Liturgists** are needed for Sunday Service. Please sign up in the commons.
- **Seeking hosts** for refreshment time after the 9:30a service. Sign up form can be found on the table outside the kitchenette door in the commons.
- **A/V Support** on Sundays 9:15a - 10:45a please contact John Foley, jsjae1@gmail.com if you would like to join the A/V support team.
- **Church Library** Do you have any theological, religious, or other spiritually-themed books that you've enjoyed and may no longer read? Consider donating them to our rejuvenated Resource Center. We'd love to consider adding them to our collection for the enjoyment of all.

**CHURCH ACTIVITIES FOR THE CONGREGATION**

- **Christian Fiction Book Club**  
a new book title coming soon!  
please contact Teri Schmelzel at aschmelzel@yahoo.com

## MUSIC

- **Summer Music** Chancel choir is on hiatus for the summer. We are looking for musicians and vocalists to share their talent during the summer. Contact [camp-townerl@elmhurst.edu](mailto:camp-townerl@elmhurst.edu)
- **Bell Choir** If interested in joining, contact John Foley, [jsjae1@gmail.com](mailto:jsjae1@gmail.com)

### A CARD OF THANKS FROM THE FAMILY OF RANI EMMANUEL

Our Dearest FUMC Family, Thank you for the altar flowers in memory of our Mother Rani, it would not have been possible for Robert and I along with family and friends that helped us care for our mother during her sacred journey. Thank you so much, in Christian love, Teresa & Robert Sathuri.

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First United Methodist Church of Palatine Financials  
April 2026 – Operations – Budgeted Financial Statement

	April	April YTD
Revenue (Receipts)	\$48,520.66	\$186,276.87
Expenses (Payments)	\$36,696.14	\$126,461.66
Revenue vs. Expense +/-	+\$11,824.52	+\$ 59,815.21
Mortgage	\$16,831.00	\$ 67,324.00
BALANCE +/-	-\$ 5,006.48	-\$ 7,508.79

Thank you for your gifts to the church!

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sun, June 7** - Confirmation Sunday 9:30a

Communion Sunday

**Sun, June 14** - Flag Day,

**Sun, June 21** - Father's Day

**Sun, June 28** - Sunday Worship 9a

### **Annual Conference**

Sun June 14 - Tues June 16

- [Click Here for Online Giving](#)

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<https://giving.myamplify.io/App/Form/a03e4c6c-c290-44c6-8186-31e01bc8c77a>

Building Use forms & Applications can be downloaded at

<https://www.fumcp.org/office-forms>

Submit to [Bharrington@fumcpalatine.org](mailto:Bharrington@fumcpalatine.org)

Prayer Requests can be sent to [unitedcaringministries@gmail.com](mailto:unitedcaringministries@gmail.com)  
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