Anthon Community Methodist Church 8th Sunday after Pentecost Lay Pastor Shirley Nelson August 3, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m.

Prelude and Lighting of Altar Candles

We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Song "We Gather Together" UMH #131

Call to Worship Liturgist: Duane Brandt

- L: So many things draw us away from God.
- P: We are tempted by trinkets and gadgets.
- L: We place our interest in temporal things.
- P: But Christ calls us to a higher level.
- L: We are called to focus our lives on living as God would have us live.
- P: We are called to be open to ways of service and compassion. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Bountiful God, who gives to us all that we need to sustain our lives: Open our hearts today to hear your words of compassionate justice, that we may focus on the ways in which you intend us to live and be of service to you by serving the world. In Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.

We Hear God's Word

First Reading Colossians 3: 1-10

The Apostle's Creed UMH #881

Gospel Reading Luke 12: 13-21

Today's Message "The Rich Fool" Shirley

God Calls Us to Respond

PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE (Joys and Concerns)

Special Music "Remembrance" Erin Baird

The Great Thanksgiving Holy Communion UMH # 9
The Lord's Prayer

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology #95,

Prayer of Dedication

All: Father, we come before you with joyful hearts, eager to give back a portion of what you have given us. May our tithes and offerings be a blessing to others as they have been to us. AMEN.

Closing Hymn "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" UMH #400

Sending Forth with Blessing Postlude

MinistersEVERYONE!Lay PastorShirley NelsonLiturgistDuane BrandtOrganist/PianistEileen Van Meeteren

IN THE CIRCLE OF OUR CONCERN:

OUR COUNTRY, OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, our church, our community leaders, our president, our farmers, Bobby Lewis, Tom & Cindy Herrick, Fran & Keith Determann, Ed and Carol Davis, Brad Harbaugh, Alta Patterson, Trisha Theisen, Keith Allman, Eleanore Lewis, Rick Gubbels, Lana Kropf, Tracy Lewis, Peggy Hansen, Bettina Perkins, Barb Madsen, Elwanda Sheriff, Joyce Gothier, Jeanette Kummer, Stephanie Johnson, Brittany Miller, Sally Schram, Sheryl K Ashley, Dale Hunwardsen, & Allison Randall. Remember our Nursing Home Residents!

Please let us know if anyone should be added or removed from this list.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

August 11: Administrative Board Meeting. 4:30 p.m.

August 14: Women of Faith meeting at 10:30am.

<u>August 24:</u> Campfire Sunday. Worship Service, Blessing of the Backpacks + Potluck

<u>Mission Projects:</u> We are starting our summer/fall mission projects. We will be preparing school kits for students. If you would like to donate by purchasing school supplies or giving money to purchase school supplies, let Marilyn know. Supplies are now on sale. Some of our school supplies will be going to the Crittenton Center in Sioux City.

We will again be collecting clothes, especially men's clothes for the Gospel Mission this fall and coats for the Gospel Mission and the Warming Shelter. Also, the warming shelter is in need of bath towels so if you have extra and would like to donate them, bring them to the church.

<u>August Readers</u>: Aug. 10-JoLynne Reimert, Aug. 17-Jerry Klindt, Aug. 24-Kathy Hodgdon/Erin Baird, Aug. 31-Roger Hladik.

August Children's Story: N/A

Weekly Birthdays and Anniversaries: Alta Patterson (7), Cindy Herrick (12), Gary & Rhonda Beeson; Keith & Fran Determann (14).

July/August Upper Room Devotionals are on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

<u>Anthon Military:</u> To our men and women in uniform.... past, present and future, God Bless You and Thank You!

If you have a loved one connected to the service, please let us know.

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