

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Trinity Sunday - White/Gold
June 7, 2020

JESUS FOLLOWING

MATTHEW 8:14-17

HERE TO SERVE

District Superintendent..... Eduardo Rivera
Today's pianist.....Randy Thomas
Technical Support.....Vic Ivy & Ray Griffith
Secretary / Bookkeeper.....Christina Duarte
Children's Service Leader.....
Nursery Attendant.....Antonia Terrazas

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE

June 7, 2020

PRAISE & WORSHIP....O For A Thousand Tongues V. 1-2
Tis So Sweet V. 1-4
I Saw The Light V. 1
Hand In Hand
Give Me Jesus

PRAYER & PRAISE CARD

JOYS & CONCERNS/

MORNING PRAYER/

LORDS PRAYER

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 8:14-17

MESSAGE

WHY DO WE FOLLOW JESUS

By Pastor Randy Thomas

**INVITATION TO RECEIVE CHRIST & ALTAR
TIME/JOIN THE CHURCH**

OFFERING

PLEASE NOTE:

You should have received a prayer / praise card in your bulletin. Please let us pray for you and help you any way we can. Please fill it out, place it in the offering, and let yourself be counted.

WHY DO WE FOLLOW JESUS?

Matthew 8:14-17 (NKJV)

¹⁴ Now when Jesus had come into Peter's house, He saw his wife's mother lying sick with a fever. ¹⁵ So He touched her hand, and the fever left her. And she arose and served them. ¹⁶ When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick, ¹⁷ that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: *"He Himself took our infirmities And bore our sicknesses."*

I. THE GREAT FOLLOWING OF JESUS

Matthew 7:28-8:1 (NKJV)

²⁸ And so it was, when Jesus had ended these sayings, that the people were astonished at His teaching, ²⁹ for He taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. ¹ When He had come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed Him.

II. FOLLOWING WITH CURIOSITY

1. A leper is healed
2. The Roman captain's servant is healed.
3. Peter's mother-in-law is healed.
4. The demon possessed men are delivered.

Matthew 8:16-17 (NKJV)

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Isaiah 35:5-7 (MSG)

⁵ Blind eyes will be opened, deaf ears unstopped, ⁶ Lame men and women will leap like deer, the voiceless break into song. Springs of water will burst out in the wilderness, streams flow in the desert. ⁷ Hot sands will become a cool oasis, thirsty ground a splashing fountain. Even lowly jackals will have water to drink, and barren grasslands flourish richly.

III. FOLLOWING IS COSTLY

Matthew 8:19-22 (MSG)

¹⁹ As they left, a religion scholar asked if he could go along. "I'll go with you, wherever," he said. ²⁰ Jesus was curt: "Are you ready to rough it? We're not staying in the best inns, you know." ²¹ Another follower said, "Master, excuse me for a couple of days, please. I have my father's

funeral to take care of." ²² Jesus refused. "First things first. Your business is life, not death. Follow me. Pursue life."

Notes:

***Please notice the next steps for your card.**

NEXT STEPS

___ I just accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Savior.

___ I just recommitted my life to Jesus Christ.

___ I will dedicate my life to deny myself and follow Jesus.

___ I will memorize the memory verse this week.

Please mark your next step on your Prayer Card and place it in the offering. Then, keep the next step above as a reminder for the upcoming week.

MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK

Isaiah 53:4 (NKJV)

⁴ Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Happy Birthday to Lydia May on June 12th, and Jamie Vazquez and Carol Adams on June 13th!
- All sermons and bulletins can be found on our website: **fsfumc.com**, as well as other updates and important information.
- Follow us on social media:
 - **Facebook:** fortstocktonfumc
 - **Instagram:** fortstocktonfumc
 - **Twitter:** FortMethodist
 - **YouTube:** Fort Stockton First United Methodist Church
- Office hours are the same during this cautious time, feel free to come in for prayer in the sanctuary or prayer room Mondays through Thursdays: 9 am-12 noon and 1-3 pm, as long as you are not feeling ill.
- El Buen Vecino at 401 S. Valentine is accepting donations, but will not reopen until July
- We have a Food Bank. If you or someone you know can use that service, the office is ready to help Mondays through Thursdays: 9-12 noon and 1-3 pm

WITH OUR PRESENCE

Last Sunday's Morning Service (Views as of Thursday)..27

FUMC MISSION STATEMENT

New. Life. Now.

WITH OUR PRAYERS

Prayers for continued healing for: The Neylands. Johnnie & Olga Rivera. Kay Magee. Blaine Ward. Denna Sadler. Rosie Hopkins & Susie Vestal, her mom. Sara Borden. Melba Ward. Sylvia Thomas. Eva Gail Abington. Terri Klutts Young, Jim & Beth Ivy's friend, who fought cancer ten years ago, an it has returned. Kate Finley, Jessica McGuire Harral's niece. Graham & Tara Bowman. Kelli Neeb Kemp. Wesley Robbins, David's nephew. Mark Walker, Cheryl Neeb's brother, who is in critical condition.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR TODAY

Sunday - June 7, 2020

9:15 am: Prayer Time in Church Prayer Room

9:30 am: Sunday School

11:00 am: Worship Service

