

SMART CHICKEN ... There are 2 packages of leg quarters in the freezer downstairs.

HOPEWELL ...

Worship 11 AM
Address: 73131 607 Ave
Sterling NE 68443
E-Mail:
hopewell.umc.stl.ne@gmail.com

Every Sun. Coffee Bar 10:30 AM
Sun. School/3rd Sun. 9 AM
Dinner Church: Faith, Food, Fellowship @
Sterling Community Center every Tuesday
6-7 PM
Women Of Faith 10 AM ... Aug 10

ADAMS ...

Worship 8 AM
Address: 450 7th St.
PO Box 2
Adams, NE 68301
E-Mail:
adamsumc2022@gmail.com
Phone: 402-988-2090

Every Sun. Coffee Hour 9 AM
Adams Community Children's Ministry (ACCM)
will resume this fall.
Need Greeters for December

**Pastor Makena is available for a visit every Wednesday. Please call 214-455-6938.
**RIGHT NOW MEDIA <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/adamsfumc>
Text Code to ADAMSFUMC to 49775

ALL CHURCH ACTIVITIES ...

CAMP FONTANELLE ... Finale 7th-12th Grades, July 29th-Aug 2nd \$500. Thank you to the Men's group for the scholarships.

THE CARING CONGREGATION—CARE MINISTRY SEMINAR (hold the date) October 11-12 at Christ UMC, Lincoln NE sponsored by the Blue River District.

JOINT CHURCH MEETING ... at Adams on August 7 at 6 PM. (2 Admin. Council members & 2 SPRC from Tecumseh, 1 Admin. Council & 1 SPRC from Adams & Hopewell. Treasurers and Lay Leaders from each church.

PASTOR MAKENA A TIME APART ... (Preaching and Worship Planning Retreat; July 29-August 2), Leadership Center in Aurora.
For more information on our Conference, please subscribe to: <https://www.greatplainsumc.org/gpconnect>

Thought For The Week ...

*"What you get by achieving your goals is not as important as what you become by achieving your goals."
... Zig Ziglar*

Still Owe On Mission & Ministry

- \$4,944.46

Offerings Last Week

- \$370.00

Attendance Last Sunday

- 19

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Beyond
MEASURE

TODAY'S THEME: "Growing In The Greatness Of God"

Reflection of the Week: "The Greatness Of God"

God promises us an abundant life, but we can't have abundance unless we position ourselves in the greatness of God.

So much of our lives are spent inside boxes: cubicles, cars, homes, elevators, conference rooms, and others. Getting outside our boxes to enjoy God's creation can go a long way in cultivating a sense of the greatness of God in your heart, mind, and soul. Sit, find space, or go for a walk, drive around with eyes and ears tuned into the greatness of the God who made all that you see.

God promises to do all of this by his power. By his immeasurably great power. For you. And in you. And when you feel powerless to grow and change spiritually, be amazed and encouraged by the fact that God's power is at work in you. You will grow. You will become more and more like Jesus Christ.

Take time before the Father in the Word and prayer, a moment to rest and recharge, and respond to the Spirit's promptings toward holiness and obedience. Always remember, it's important to know yourself.

Brethren, there is so much to drink in and enjoy when it comes to the greatness of God. There is so much to discover. The length, width, height, and depth of God's love is wonderfully vast. God can do far above and beyond all that we can ask or think. Take some time this week to reflect upon the beauty, greatness, and glory of God. Come to Him with humble and eager hearts. Blessings!

TECUMSEH INFORMATION

Worship ... 9:30 AM
Address ...
190 N 4th St.,
Tecumseh 68450
Mailing Address ...
PO Box 747, Tecumseh 68450
Office Hours ... M-F 8 AM-12 PM

Office Phone ... 402-335-3888
Church E-Mail ...
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<https://www.firstumctecumseh.org>
FB Link ... <https://Facebook.com/114042844926191>

PASTOR MAKENA'S CONTACT INFORMATION

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Address ... 720 Ash Street, PO Box 181, Adams NE 68301
Phone ... 214-455-6938

PRELUDE Cheryl Meister
(Please take some time to focus your heart and mind on the
upcoming worship service as we bring the
Light of Christ.)

WELCOME/GREETINGS Sandy Amos
God is good ... **All the time.**
All the time ... **God is good.**

+GATHERING PRAYER (*in unison*)
**As we dwell here, shine into our hearts, Lord Jesus, light
our lives so we can worship You. Let our lives be signs of
your abundant life, demonstrating your desire for a
world of justice, gratitude, and peace. We pray this day
through the strong name of Jesus. AMEN.**

+INTROIT *He Has Made Me Glad* #2270

+CALL TO WORSHIP (*read responsively*)
Leader: Turn your hearts to God.
People: What shall we do when we are worried?
Leader: Place your trust in God's love and mercy.
**People: What shall we do when our lives seem too
crowded and busy?**
Leader: Take time for the refreshing words of God's love for you.
**People: Open our hearts, O Lord, and make us ready for
your words to us. AMEN.**

+OPENING PRAYER (*in unison*)
**Lord, we come into your presence this morning with the
busy schedules of summer activities crowding our lives.
Our souls need to be fed and yet we seem powerless to
find nurture and feeding that will sustain us. Open our
ears, our eyes, and our hearts this day to hear your
words of hope and healing for us. We ask this in Jesus'
Name. AMEN.**

+HYMN OF PRAISE *Lord, I Lift Your Name On High (2x)* #2088

PSALTER *Psalms 14:1-7* #746-747

ANNOUNCEMENTS/BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

JOYS AND CONCERNS

HYMN OF RESPONSE *Change My Heart, O God* #2152

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN *We Are Marching (2x)* #2235-b

+SCRIPTURE +Ephesians 3:14-21
The Word of the Lord for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN *The Summons (Vs 1,3,5)* #2130

MESSAGE "Growing In The Greatness Of God" Pastor Makena

OFFERING OURSELVES AND GIFTS TO GOD

+DOXOLOGY #95

+DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

+OFFERTORY PRAYER

+BENEDICTION

+GOING FORTH *Bind Us Together* #2226

+POSTLUDE Cheryl Meister

ACTIVITIES & FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR CHURCHES

AT TECUMSEH ...

Coffee Hour Fellowship each Sunday	10:30 AM
Men's Meeting after church	Today
Martha Circle	5 PM ... Aug 12
Outreach Committee	Noon ... Aug 19
Community Festival on the Square	5:30 PM ... Aug 31

****ICE CREAM SANDWICH SIGN UP SHEET ...** is on the table at the back. We still need a couple more people to volunteer.

****COFFEE HOUR FUND ...** Anyone who would like to provide a refreshment for coffee hour, but maybe would not like to be in the kitchen for preparations may do so by contributing to a "Coffee Hour Fund". There are envelopes at the back of the church labeled as "Coffee Hour Fund". Please put the envelopes in the offering plate or on Debbie's desk. Thank you!

****CHURCH BAZAAR ...** will be held Oct. 5 coinciding with the Trail of Treasures. Crafts, home baked or canned goods, white elephant items and furniture. Please have everything to the church by Fri, Oct. 5.

****SIGN UP FOR GRIEF SUPPORT/BIBLE STUDY ...** We are looking to see if there is enough interest in this type of support/study group. Please sign up if you are interested.