



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
WAUKESHA, WISCONSIN

100

September 10, 2023

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

For those with prayer requests, please fill out a pink card in the pew and give it to an usher during the opening hymn.

GATHERING

Prelude	"Children of the Heavenly Father"	John Sheaffer, organ by Robert Lau
Welcome		Rev. Susan Bresser
*Hymn	"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"	Red book 64, verses 1, 2
*Call to Worship		Rev. Amy Celikay
*Hymn	"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"	Red book 64, verses 3, 4
	<i>Children are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary during the hymn.</i>	
Words for God's Children		Niki Rodriguez
Musical Response	"Just as I Am" Wendy Muller, flute; Chancel Choir, Tower Bells (sing when directed, see screen)	by Emily Lund
A Time of Prayer		

THE WORD

Musical Setting for Scripture	"Thy Word"	by Michael W. Smith
The Word of God	Romans 12:9a, 14-16 (the Message), Matthew 18:15-20 (NRSV)	Tony Casciato
Contemporary Message	"The Tie That Binds"	Rev. Susan Bresser

RESPONSE

Ministry Moment	Rev. Amy Celikay	
Invitation		
Offertory	"As the Deer"	John Sheaffer, piano By Roger House
*Doxology		
*Prayer of Dedication		
*Hymn	"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"	Red book 206
*Benediction		Rev. Susan Bresser
Postlude	"Hymn to Joy" (A time for reflection.)	John Sheaffer, organ by Albert Travis

Prepare for worship next Sunday by reading Romans 12:9a, 20-21, Matthew 18:21-35.

**Indicates standing if able.*

FUMC worship services are broadcasted in livestream, recorded for later access, and posted to FUMC's social media accounts.
By entering the sanctuary, all participants waive any claim related to the capture or transmission of their participation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Living Faith Today** – This adult Sunday School class will not be meeting today so everyone can visit the tables in and around the Asbury Room. Class will resume on September 17.
- **Lutheran Social Services Refugee Resettlement** – We have an exciting update from the Refugee Resettlement Team. After over a year of struggle trying to secure housing for refugee families, we are happy to report that LSS has obtained housing for more refugees. Our FUMC co-sponsorship team will begin our efforts by furnishing 1 or 2 apartments for the refugee families. The goal is to furnish the apartments before the arrival of new families sometime in October. We will start our “Giving Tree” Missions Drive TODAY and the drive will run all month. There will be sign-ups available for specific household, personal care items, and larger furniture items (new or gently used) and quantities (specific measurements) needed. Check the tree throughout the month because we’ll be adding leaves. If you have questions, please contact Anjana Jones (akjones6@gmail.com) or Dirk Wilken (dwilken1@wi.rr.com).
- **The XYZ (Xtra Years of Zest) Retreat** with Philip Chard will be held at Pine Lake Camp, September 17-19. The theme is Realistic Optimism – Meeting the Emotional and Spiritual Challenges of Trying Times. Signup and payment are due on September 6. XYZ Potluck and Programs will kick off on Thursday, October 12 at 11:45am in the downstairs dining room. The program will be presented by First Impressions, a theatrical performance about Mary Todd Lincoln.
- **Sunday School Shepherds** - We are looking for volunteers to shepherd and mentor children and youth in our Forming Faith (Sunday school) program. If interested, please contact Joe & Niki Rodriguez, (bigjoerodrigu@gmail.com). Forming Faith will ‘kick off’ TODAY, with a reunion and reengagement for children, youth and their families. Classes will begin on Sunday, September 17.
- **Creative Pals** will meet on Saturday, September 23, 10am-4pm, Rm 209. Creative Pals is an opportunity to have some dedicated time to work on your craft project. This group gets together once a month. If you have questions or if you plan on coming, please contact JoAnn Wright (giovanna.wright@sbcglobal.net) or Lori Tompkins (mjtompkins@centurytel.net).
- FUMC is signed up to host **Loaves & Fishes at the Hope Center** on Sunday, October 8, 12:30-3:30pm. We need salads, desserts, volunteers, and monetary donations to cover the cost of the meal. Sign ups for volunteers & food donations can be made within SignUpGenius, or by calling the church office, 262-542-4256. Monetary donations can be marked “L&F” and given to the church office. If you have any questions, please reach out to Erin Blum, (erin.e.blum@gmail.com).
- FUMC-Waukesha is seeking an energetic and enthusiastic candidate to fill the position of part-time **Intergenerational Ministry Coordinator**. This position is responsible for coordinating ministry opportunities with an emphasis on Christian education for all ages. For a description of job responsibilities and required qualifications, visit the church website or call the office. For interested candidates, send a completed application (download available on website) to the SPRC at gerhards615@yahoo.com or mail to the church office, Attn: SPRC, 121 Wisconsin Ave, Waukesha WI 53186.
- **Wednesday Morning Bible Study** - Join Pastor Susan 9:30-11am, Rm 216. No need to sign up. Bring your favorite Bible, an open mind, and a willingness to listen to a variety of theological perspectives. Please use the West entrance.
- **United Methodist Childrens Services 60th Anniversary Open House** - Thursday, September 21, 5:30-7:30pm, UMCS Community Room, 3910 W. Lisbon Ave., Milwaukee. For information, call UMCS: 414-344-1818.
- **The professional Wisconsin Wind Orchestra** will offer a concert to the community in our sanctuary, Friday September 29, 7:30pm. The concert is free and open to the public. A freewill offering will be taken to support upcoming tours by the orchestra. The program will showcase the virtuosity and diversity of the accomplished and travelled 11-member chamber wind ensemble. Conductor: Lawrence Dale Harper.
- **We appreciate your ongoing financial support of FUMC's mission and ministry.** You can access our giving through the website or app. Scan the QR code on the right to be directed to our giving page!



Forming Faith Today

Nursery

Infant - 3 yr. old, Room 221

Living Faith Today will meet September 17

Sunday School and Youth Group will meet September 17.

Equal Exchange

First United Methodist Church of Waukesha is a Reconciling Congregation. All are welcome here.

For more information: visit fumcwaukesha.org/announcements.