

## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH WAUKESHA, WISCONSIN



October 22, 2023

Twenty-first 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 "How Great Thou Art" John Sheaffer, organ

by Dan Miller

Welcome Rev. Susan Bresser

\*Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Red book 139, verses 1, 3

\*Call to Worship Rev. Amy Celikay

\*Hymn "This Is My Father's World" Red book 144

Children are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary during the hymn.

Words for God's Children

Musical Response "Amazing Grace" Red book 378, verses 1-3

A Time of Prayer

**THE WORD** 

Musical Setting for Scripture "Thy Word" by Michael W. Smith

The Word of God Psalm 138 (CEV), Proverbs 4:23-27 (the Message) Veronica Radowicz

Contemporary Message "GRATEFUL: Habits of Gratitude" Rev. Susan Bresser

**RESPONSE** 

Stewardship Witness (Erin Blum) shared by Meredith Marcks

Ministry Moment Rev. Amy Celikay

Invitation

Offertory "This Is My Father's World" John Sheaffer, organ

by Alice Jordan

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn "Amazing Grace" Red book 378, verses 4-6

\*Benediction Rev. Susan Bresser

**Postlude** "How Great Thou Art" John Sheaffer, organ

(A time for reflection.) by Fred Swann

Prepare for worship next Sunday by reading Psalm 133:1-3, Colossians 3:12-14.

Altar flowers donated by Larilyn Carpenter.

\*Indicates standing if able.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Book Discussion *Grateful* by Diana Butler Bass in Rm 216 after worship, through November 12. Living Faith Today will not be meeting during this time.
- This year's Stewardship Campaign, **Grateful**, continues this week. Check out the link to the Grateful Living website (www.grateful.org) on our website and app and explore different practices to help build a grateful life. Consider signing up to receive "The Word for the Day" an inspiring quote about being grateful to start each day. Your completed 2024 pledge form can be dropped in the mail, in the Sunday offering plate, or in the container outside the church office. Thanks for choosing to be grateful!
- **Progressive Dinner Today**, starting at 3:30pm. All youth in 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades and their families are invited to participate. We will travel together through the evening, enjoying food and fellowship at four different locations. We begin at the home of Joe & Niki Rodriguez at 3:30pm for hors d'oeuvres and end with dessert at Jon & Tekla Fingland's home around 8:30pm, with other stops in-between. Please see Pastor Amy or Joe Rodriguez, if interested in attending.
- Circle of Sisters Monday, October 23, 7pm, RM 216. We will continue discussing Wholehearted Faith by Rachel Held Evans with Jeff Chu. This gathering will be offered in a hybrid format, so you are welcome to join in-person or Zoom. Call the church office if you need the Zoom link
- The Waukesha Area Symphonic Band Fall Concert "Classic Favorites" will take place on Sunday, October 29, 3pm, at Carroll University's Shattuck Auditorium. If you're a music fan, you will enjoy wonderful music for just \$10 in advance (\$15 at the door.) The concert benefits ACAP and Healing Hearts, two of FUMC's building partners. Get your tickets from ACAP (262.521.1120) or Healing Hearts (262.751.0874).
- Basics (New Member) Class will meet again Monday, October 30, 7-9pm, hybrid. If you were unable to attend the first
  class, you are still welcome to come and learn more about FUMC and our United Methodist theology. Sign up in the Asbury
  room, on our website, or contact Cheryl Printz at <a href="mailto:cheryl.printz@fumcwaukesha.org">cheryl.printz@fumcwaukesha.org</a>. Membership is not required at the end
  of the class.
- Lunch making for Pathfinders of Milwaukee Join us Tuesday, October 31, 9-10am in the Asbury Room. Come help feed hungry teens and enjoy a little pumpkin-spice treat!
- Creative Pals a once a month opportunity to work on any project that needs some dedicated time. Come join us on Saturday, November 4, 10am-4pm, in Rm 209. You can come for the whole day or just a part of it. Please let JoAnn Wright (<a href="mailto:giovanna.wright@sbcglobal.net">giovanna.wright@sbcglobal.net</a>) or Lori Tompkins (<a href="mailto:mjtompkins@centurytel.net">mjtompkins@centurytel.net</a>), or the office know if you want to come so we can make sure we have room for everyone.
- The Secret Angel Gift Shop is starting to roll out another year. The shop is stocked with affordable gift items, most donated by FUMC members. Prices range from .25-\$5.00. Shoppers include our church youth, Healing Hearts (all gifts are free), ACAP, and some students with special needs from an area school. If you would like to donate, drop off new or gently used items in a marked bin that will be in the hallway, beginning November 5. Previous high demand items include: teenage boy and adult men items, toys, lotions/makeup, kitchen items, tools, sports items and pet items. A list of high demand items is available on the bulletin board in the hallway. Any questions please feel free to contact Debbie Blum (dblum4@wi.rr.com).
- Attention bakers and buyers: Mark your calendars for the Cookie Walk on December 9!
- **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 Pastor Amy at <a href="mailto:amy.celikay@fumcwaukesha.org">amy.celikay@fumcwaukesha.org</a>.
- 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.
- 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

Grateful DiscussionRoom 216Sunday SchoolFellowship HallYouth GroupRoom 211ConfirmationRoom 213