



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
WAUKESHA, WISCONSIN

100

September 17, 2023

Sixteenth 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

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| Prelude | "Poco Adagio" | John Sheaffer, organ by Camille Saint-Saens |
| Welcome | | Rev. Susan Bresser |
| *Hymn | "Rejoice, the Lord Is King" | Red book 715, verses 1, 2 |
| *Call to Worship | | Rev. Amy Celikay |
| *Hymn | "Rejoice, the Lord Is King" | Red book 715, verses 3, 4 |
| <i>Children are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary during the hymn.</i> | | |

Words for God's Children

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| Musical Response | "I Then Shall Live" | Chancel Choir |
| | words and music: G. Gaither and J. Sibelius, arr. T. Fettke | |

A Time of Prayer

THE WORD

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| Musical Setting for Scripture | "Thy Word" | by Michael W. Smith |
| The Word of God | Romans 12:9a, 20-21 (the Message), Matthew 18:21-35 (CEB) | Jacob Werkheiser |
| Contemporary Message | "The Heart of Forgiveness" | Rev. Susan Bresser |

RESPONSE



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| Ministry Moment | Rev. Amy Celikay | |
| Invitation | | |
| Offertory | "For the Beauty of the Earth" | John Sheaffer, piano by Teresa Wilhelmi |
| *Doxology | | |
| *Prayer of Dedication | | |
| *Hymn | "Help Us Accept Each Other" | Red book 560 |
| *Benediction | | Rev. Susan Bresser |
| Postlude | "Fantasy on 'Praise to the Lord'" (A time for reflection.) | John Sheaffer, organ by Aaron David Miller |

*Prepare for worship next Sunday by reading Romans 12:9a, 17-19 and Matthew 20:1-16.
Flowers from Tim Sears, in loving memory of Joe W. Dauchy.*

**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** – Looks at current events through the lens of our faith and explores how what we believe relates to the world around us. **Today: "Traveling a Trillion Miles in Life While Standing Still"** after worship.
- **Sunday School and Youth Group resume today!** Sunday School meets in Rm 213 and Youth Group in Rm 211. Sunday School shepherds are needed for youth programming and discipleship. If interested, please contact Joe Rodriguez (bigjoerodrigu@gmail.com) or Niki Rodriguez (nikirodriguez@hotmail.com).
- **Lutheran Social Services Refugee Resettlement** – We have obtained housing for refugee families! We are furnishing 2 apartments. Check out the "Giving Tree" for specific household and personal care items which will be updated periodically through the month of September. Place donations in the marked bins located in the hallway by the preschool room, on or by September 30. Larger furniture items (new or gently used) are found on the sign-up page of the church website and will be coordinated separately for pickup/delivery as required. All monetary & gift card donations need to be dropped off at the office and clearly marked for "LSS Refugee Resettlement". If you have questions, please contact Anjana Jones (akjones6@gmail.com) or Dirk Wilken (dwilken1@wi.rr.com).
- **Come create lunches for Pathfinders!** Friday, September 22 in the Asbury Rm from 9:30-10:30am. Donations may be marked "Missions: Pathfinders" and left in the downstairs kitchen behind the dining rm. Perishable items marked "Missions: Pathfinders" and left in the refrigerator in the kitchen. Thanks for your on-going support of this mission!
- **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 (mitompkins@centurytel.net).
- **2023 Mission Stockholders are invited to an Appreciation Brunch-** On Sunday, October 8 in the downstairs dining rm after worship. You can expect yummy food, good company and information about all that our team was able to accomplish at Midwest Mission Distribution Center. RSVP on the sign-up page of the church website or scan the QR code. 
- 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 found on the sign-up page of the church website, 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 Children's 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 traveled 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
Living Faith Today
Sunday School
Youth Group

Infant - 3 yr. old, Room 221
Room 216
Room 213
Room 211

First United Methodist Church of Waukesha is a Reconciling Congregation. All are welcome here.
For more information: visit fumcwaukesha.org/announcements.