

Praise Worship

Gathering Music
Welcome & Announcements

*Praise Songs

Blessing College Care Packages

Scripture Reading 1 Samuel 25:14-35

Children's Message

Prayer Song

Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer

Offering

Song

Prayer of Dedication

Bible Reading Philippians 1:9-10

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "Winging It: The Conscientious Owl"

*Praise Song

*Blessing & Sending

*Band Play-out

In addition to your regular offering, you are invited to give your pocket change today for October "Coins for Christ" offering that will be given to The Lighthouse.

Serving Today

Pastor: Rev. Nikki Baker

Worship Leader: Scott Gottliebson

Director of Worship Arts: Clarence McCoy

Organist / Pianist: Parry Norris

Gathering Music: Sandy McCoy

A/V Techs: Barry Garrett (9:00) & Henry Poor (10:30)

Livestream: Matt Baker

Transportation Ministry: Sarah Mullins

Fellowship Hour: Cindy Muller

10:30 a.m.



LANCASTER FIRST
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2026

Worship Celebration

9:00 a.m.

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Opening Music "Be Strong in the Lord"

arr. Page

Call to Worship

on screen

*Hymn "God of Love and God of Power"

No. 578

Blessing College Care Packages

Bible Reading 1 Samuel 25:14-35

Children's Message

Prayer Hymn "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" (1, 3)

No. 382

Prayers of Joys & Concerns

The Lord's Prayer

on screen

Response "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" (4)

No. 382

Gathering of our Tithes and Offerings for the Lord

Offertory "Consecrated, Lord, to Thee"

arr. Wagner

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

Ministry of Music

Chancel Choir

"Speak to Me, My Lord"

Emerson

Bible Reading Philippians 1:9-10

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "Winging It: The Conscientious Owl"

*Hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory" (1-3)

No. 577

*Blessing & Sending

on screen

*Response "God of Grace and God of Glory" (4)

No. 577

*Closing Music "Postlude on 'St. Denio'"

arr. Williamson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

October is Pastor Appreciation Month! - Join us in thanking Pastor Nikki for her service to our church and community. Throughout October, place cards and notes of encouragement in the parlor basket to remind her how loved and appreciated she is.

Halloween Candy Collection - Help us make Halloween sweet! Our full-size candy bar drive is underway! Bring your favorite full sized candy bars to the Parlor now through October 25th. Then, join us for trick-or-treat night, October 29th 6-7:30 pm, to hand out candy and popcorn to our neighbors!

Neighbor2Neighbor - Caring for our neighbor is one of the most meaningful ways to share God's love and blessing. Beginning TODAY, all are invited to stop by the display in the parlor and learn who in your neighborhood would love to have a connection to our church – their church! All that is needed is a heart for others and a commitment to contact your neighbor once monthly by phone, by card or by visiting. Someone is waiting for YOU!

Worship at the Springs TODAY - 1-2 pm Join us for this unique opportunity to share God's word with residents, family, and staff. See Judy Hug for more info.

Youth Kick Off – Pizza and fun for grades 6-12, Sunday October 18, 5-7 pm at Crossroads Youth room.

OU Faith and Fellowship - Saturday, October 24 Kick-off TBD! Tickets available, please see Anna

Faith Walks – A very special fall Faith Walk is happening on Sunday, October 18 at 1:30pm at Mambourg Park, located at 5531 Cincinnati Zanesville Rd NE (Rt. 22), Lancaster. Come and join us for a hike in the woods during peak fall colors. Contact Sam Benham if you have questions.

Garden Planning & Composting Workshop – Join us for a jam-packed workshop that will cover sustainable ways to clean up your garden and yard during the fall season, composting 101, and what you can do now to start planning your garden for next year. Come learn how you can turn your yard into a space where pollinators thrive!

Altar Flowers are in Memory of:

Mrs. Mary Aldenderfer.....by the Family
Robert Palmer & Clara Ewing Palmer
L.R. Dick Bartlett.....by Anne Bartlett & Family
Mary "Petie" Smith.....by Frank & Dixie Smith

Flowers on the Altar on October 4 were by Erin Davis

Flowers on the Altar today are by Chip Peterseim

Do you enjoy working with flowers? Be a part of our Flower Altar Guild and have your lovely arrangements grace our altar on Sundays. We can answer questions and can even provide a demo. Contact Mary Jo Bowen at (740) 215-8243 or Erin at (740) 974-1156.

October 2026 Attendance & Offering

2026 Weekly General Fund Offering Need: \$15,123.65

Worship Attendance	<u>9:00AM</u>	<u>10:30AM</u>	<u>Online</u>	<u>GF Offering Received</u>
Week 1	131	101	32	\$13,670.00

YTD as of 07/31/2026

Contributions -	\$418,914.78
Other Income (including endowment transfers) -	<u>\$258,495.11</u>
Total Revenues -	\$677,440.89
Total Expenses -	\$736,196.50

What's Coming in Worship

Next Sunday the scriptures will be Mark 10:46-52 & Philippians 2:3-5. Sermon series concludes "Winging It: Love Looks Different Here"

October 25 – "Have You Heard the One about..."

November 1 – All Saints Sunday