

Monticello

United Methodist Church

Welcome to worship! No matter where you are, where you have been, or where you are on your faith journey, our prayer is that you will find a place to belong in worship and mission with us.

September 11, 2022

8:30 am

Preparation for Worship

Return to God, no matter how long you've been away. Come home, no matter how far you've wandered. But if you don't return on your own, don't be surprised if God comes and finds you anyway. That's what we call grace. —Mary Scifres

Focus Scripture

Psalm 14

Prelude

The King of Love My Shepherd

*Call to Worship

From our wanderings and wonderings,
we are welcomed home by God.
Lost on the highway or trapped on a cliff,
God comes to rescue and return us to safety.
Come to be found,
for all are welcome here.

*Hymn

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

No. 400

Common Prayer (Let us pray together...)

Shepherding God, gather us into your presence, as we come to worship this day. Transform us into your people through the mighty power of your Spirit. Rescue us with your endless patience, that we may become instruments of mercy and grace to help others find their way home. In your mercy and grace, we pray. Amen.

Scripture

Luke 15:1-10

Anthem

Amazing Grace

Choir

Kid's Time

Message

Hymn

Amazing Grace

No. 378

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Sharing of our Gifts and Lives

Offertory

Sing Hallelujah

Doxology

No. 94

Prayer of Dedication

Thank you, generous God, for pouring your love and abundance so freely upon us. Pour this same love and abundance upon the gifts we now return to you, that they may become signs of grace and instruments of love to bring the world back home to you. Amen.

Hymn

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

No. 2158

Announcements

Benediction

Christ has called us here. God has called us to serve. The Spirit has made us whole.

Love sends us forth! Amen!

Postlude

To God be the Glory

Staff and Worship Assistants:

Pastor: Kathy Bueker Sweet

Director of Music: Kathy Brown

Director of Family Ministries: Melanie Burger

Director of Youth Ministries: Will Pontious

Organists: Gloria Cardoni & Mary Ellen Dean

Director of Bell Choir: Barb Ozier

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Office Hours--Monday-Thursday 9 am - 12 noon

Live Radio Broadcast 8:30 am WCZQ 105.5 FM

Worship: 8:30 am in person and Facebook Live

10:45am in person

If you are visiting we welcome and invite you to Fellowship coffee and conversation at Café 2020. Individual wireless receivers are available from the ushers. Rocking Chairs are located at the back for parents with babies. Our Kids' Corner is stocked with things to educate and entertain your children as well.

Food Pantry needs: Stuffing, spaghetti/pasta sauce, mustard, pork & beans, baked beans, shampoo

Youth Group Meals: There are still plenty of spots left to make a meal for the youth group for the fall semester. The link can be found on the Facebook page or talk to Will Pontious.

Youth Group Food Pantry Scavenger Hunt: On September 18, the youth group will be going on a scavenger hunt around town to collect items for the food pantry. There's a chance they might stop by your house! If you can donate one item or multiple, anything is appreciated! If they do not make it to your house, you can drop off your donation anytime in the wagon by the office!

Altar flowers are given by The Vanderkloots in honor of Bev and Fred Erickson's 60th wedding anniversary that was celebrated on September 8th.

Calendar

Today

8:30 am Worship, in-person, online and
radio
9:45 am All Sunday School classes!
(Adult, The Orchard, and
Orchard 567)
10:45 am Worship, in-person
5:00 pm Youth Group

Monday, Sept 12

12 noon Harold Reetz Funeral
4:00 pm T.O.P.S (Take Off Pounds
Sensibly)
7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, Sept 13

8:30am Just Walking
7:00 pm Staff Parish Mtg

Wednesday, Sept 14

1:00 pm Bible Study
1-5 pm Early Out
4-7 pm Whole Hearts - Backpack filling
5:00 pm Watch Meal
5:30 pm Trustees Mtg

(Wed cont.)

6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm Bell Rehearsal
8:00 pm New Day Rehearsal

Thursday, Sept 15

8:30 am Just Walking
6:00 pm Finance Committee mtg

Sunday, Sept 18

8:30 am Worship, in-person, online and
radio
9:45 am Sunday School classes -
Adult and the Orchard
10:45 am Worship, in-person
3:00 pm 4H Cloverleafs
4:00 pm Youth FP Scavenger Hunt
6:15 pm Youth meal

Looking Ahead:

Tuesday, Sept 20 - Church Council 7 pm