

Please keep in mind that the service is live-streamed and recorded for public access. Please keep prayer requests brief and do not use last names or identifying details.

PRAYER REQUESTS

October 15, 2023

To submit a prayer request call Denise at 330-457-2465 or 330-727-9832

If you desire a home or hospital visit call Pastor Lisa (440-339-6463)

Prayer Blankets: call Joyce Ward (330-692-3346)

Andrew (John + Margie C's grandson) – deployed to Middle East

Tracy (Jan's niece) - surgery

Tony (Tony's dad)

Tori P – developed pulmonary edema after tonsillectomy

Jon E

Carter (Heroes & Halos) – seizures every 10 minutes

Rick & John (Dick S) – police officers, cancer

Carolyn W – broke her hip

Jodi (Mary V's friend) (61) – stroke, aneurysm, brain bleed

Marlene (Marge's friend) – macular degeneration

Brenda (Marge's friend) - Parkinsons

Jim C – therapy for cancer at Cleveland Clinic

Kenny (Anita's brother)

HOMEBOUND: Thelma A (Whispering Pines) Mary V Betty B
 Evalyn M (Parkside) Shirley K (Grace Woods)
 Lucille F (Whispering Pines)

IN MINISTRY: Lisa Courtwright, Tyler Rollinson, Jeff Pellin
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**East Fairfield
United Methodist Church
Sunday, October 15, 2023**

9:30 AM



**Rev. Lisa Courtwright
440-339-6463**

***“Working, playing, and praying together on our faith journey,
to share Jesus Christ with everyone.”***

**45675 State Route 558
New Waterford, OH 44445**

EAST FAIRFIELD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor: Rev. Lisa Courtwright

Organist: Ruth Rowley
Pianist: Nancy Setinsek

Ministers: The Congregation
Choir Director: Randy Hart

Sunday, October 15, 2023
Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

**Please stand in body or spirit as you are able*

Welcome! *You are invited to take this time to prepare for worship.
In these moments, quiet your inner voice,
become aware of being in community with others,
and open your heart and mind to the leading of the Holy Spirit.*

GATHERING

*Savior, Teach Me Day by Day -Thomas
Andantino -Richolson*

CHRIST LIGHT ENTERS

MISSIONS AND MINISTRY UPDATES Jon Vollnogle, Liturgist

PREPARING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine -Hegarty

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We belong to God.

P: God's stamp is on our lives.

L: God's love and compassion is built into us.

P: God's mercy and hope flow through us.

L: Let's celebrate the powerful presence of God.

P: Let's rejoice in all the opportunities God gives us to serve.

*OPENING PRAYER

God of power and might, we thank you for your love and mercy in our lives. Surround us with your Holy Spirit. Help us to imitate you, Lord Jesus, in the way that we live our lives. Let our lives become an example to others of your love and grace. Teach us, guide us, open our hearts to all that you would speak to us so that we might grow in our faith and strengthen our witness of you to all the world. In Jesus' name. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN My Life Is in You, Lord Insert TFWS #2032

READING FROM THE PSALMS Psalm 96:1-13 NIV Page 483

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

CHOIR ANTHEM

What a Friend

OFFERING OURSELVES & OUR GIFTS

INVITATION

OFFERTORY

A Moment of Prayer -Landon

*DOXOLOGY

*DEDICATION OF GIFTS

SEEKING GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 43:10-12 NIV Page 590

JOYS & CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER & OUR LORDS PRAYER

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

UMH #163

Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know

SERMON TEXT

I Thessalonians 1:1-10 NIV Page 956

SERMON

A Story of Hope: We Are Chosen

Pastor Lisa

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*CLOSING HYMN

O Spirit of the Living God

UMH #539

SENDING FORTH WITH BLESSING

*BLESSING

LIGHT OF CHRIST GOES INTO THE WORLD

~ Go forth to serve the Lord ~

The flowers on the altar are from Mary VanBuren.

Liturgist: Jon Vollnogle

Computer & Livestream: Nick Holsinger

Sound: Bill Rowley

NEXT Sunday, October 22, 2023

Liturgist:

Missy Roberts

Greeters:

Harvey & Carol Smith

October & November

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
15 9:30 Worship at EFUMC 10:30 Coffee Time 10:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship at RUMC	16 10:00 Prayer Blankets 6:30 Cub Scouts 7:00 Leadership	17 8:30 Men's Coffee In Fellowship Hall	18 7:00 Choir Practice	19	20 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	21 8:30-10:00 Feed My Sheep At Rogers
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29 9:30 Worship at EFUMC 10:30 Coffee Time 10:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship at RUMC	30 10:00 Prayer Blankets 12:00 Women's Joy Circle Lunch 6:30 Cub Scouts	31 8:30 Men's Coffee In Fellowship Hall	1 6:00 Worship Meeting 7:00 Choir Practice	2	3 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	4 Turn Clocks Back 
5 All Saints' Communion 9:30 Worship at EFUMC 10:30 Coffee Time 10:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship at RUMC	6 10:00 Prayer Blankets 6:30 Cub Scouts	7 8:30 Men's Coffee In Fellowship Hall	8 7:00 Choir Practice	9	10 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	11

October 8 Attendance

In-Person: 77

Online: 26

Update on Mission Giving for 2023

FUND	NAME OF FUND	NEED	RECEIVED	STILL NEED
2	General Mission Fund	6,374	4,282	2,092
33	4C's	125	500	0
32	Cub Scouts	150	350	0
37	Way Station	150	150	0
43	Tobin Center	300	300	0
49	Feed My Sheep (Rogers food pantry)	150	220	0
22	Flat Rock	175	205	0
57	Kathy Dickride, UM Missionary DISCONTINUED	300	315	0
56	Annual Conference Special Mission	Any Donation	0	
13	UMCOR Sunday	Any Donation	25	
21	UMCOR Disasters	Any Donation	35	
14	Blankets+	Any Donation	30	
15	Peace With Justice	Any Donation	5	
16	World Communion	Any Donation	5	
17	Student Day	Any Donation	5	
46	Heroes & Halos	Any Donation	50	
20	Heifer International	Any Donation	40	

Fund Balances as of end of August

Fund #1	Ministry Operating	-22,999
Fund #2	Mission Fund	276
Fund #3	Building Fund	53,317
Fund #28	Elevator Fund	12,313

Mission of the Month:

World Communion – Fund #16

4C's Item: Quick Oats

Feed My Sheep Item: Dish Soap

FAITH UNITED COOPERATIVE PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 15, 5:00 pm

FAMILY POTLUCK AND MOVIE NIGHT

Emmanuel UMC is hosting their monthly potluck and movie night. Bring a dish to share and enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship!

Saturday, October 21 – 8:30 am – 10:00 am

FEED MY SHEEP FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Rogers UMC will hold their monthly food distribution. Volunteers to help distribute the food are always welcome. If you know someone in need of help with food, please pass this information on to them.

Saturday, October 28, 2:00 pm

CHARGE CONFERENCE

All churches in our district will be meeting with our District Superintendents for our annual charge conference meeting. All are invited to attend. It is important that we have representatives from all churches in attendance at this meeting.

It will be held this year at:

**Western Reserve United Methodist Church
4580 Canfield Rd, Canfield**



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We have suggested items lists for boys and girls boxes and we also have boxes that you can take with you to pack.

There is a bin with boxes to take and a clipboard in the foyer. If you take a box home, please sign the clipboard so that we know how many to expect back.

When you bring your box back, please mark that it has been returned.

If you have any questions, Marcia Mayberry is coordinating.

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

All Saints' Sunday will be November 5.

We will be remembering those that have passed away in the congregation since last All Saints'.

If you have a loved one who passed away since Nov. 1, 2022, please submit the name of that family member or friend to Pastor Lisa or Denise in the church office. Please send us a photo, if possible, so that we can use it as part of the remembrance during this special service.

In order to include these persons in the service, please submit the information no later than October 29.

THANKSGIVING BAGS

We are packing 12 bags on Sunday, November 12 during coffee time.

Signup on the clipboard.
We need items by Sunday, Nov. 12