

EAST FAIRFIELD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor: Rev. Lisa Courtwright

Organist: Ruth Rowley
Pianist: Nancy Setinsek

Ministers: The Congregation
Choir Director: Randy Hart

Sunday, May 12, 2024
Seventh Sunday of Easter

**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 Give Them All To Jesus -Johnson
I Love The Church -Trad. English

CHRIST LIGHT ENTERS

MINISTRY AND MISSION UPDATES David Vollnogle, Liturgist

PREPARING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE God So Loved The World -Stainer

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Easter people, raise your voices, for you belong to the Risen Christ!

We belong to Christ, and so we share in Christ together.

Just as we share in Christ together, so we are called to share Christ with the world.

We share Christ by proclaiming the good news of God's love to the world.

How will you share God's love with the world?

By loving, respecting, and honoring our neighbors, especially those the world neglects, overlooks, and ignores.

Easter people, you belong to the Risen Christ!

Because we belong to Christ, we will share Christ's love and belonging everywhere we go.

*OPENING PRAYER

God of all creation, you called every being into life, and you watch over us, teaching us, guiding us, and nourishing us as we seek to know you and to do your will. We are part of your kingdom and yet we are still in this world. Plant us in the places that you would have us serve and help us to spread the good news of Jesus Christ so that all the world will know your name. As we worship you

**today, open our minds to your teachings, our hearts to your hope,
and our spirits to your joy. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

*OPENING HYMN “To God Be the Glory” UMH #98
A READING FROM THE PSALMS Psalm 1 (NIV) pg 431
CHILDREN’S MOMENT
CHOIR ANTHEM The Garden Of Prayer
OFFERING OURSELVES & OUR GIFTS
 INVITATION
 OFFERTORY Balm In Gilead -Wilson
*DOXOLOGY UMH #95
*DEDICATION OF GIFTS

SEEKING GOD’S WORD

EPISTLE READING 1 John 5:9-13 (NIV) pg 988
SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS
SILENT PRAYER
PASTORAL PRAYER
THE LORD’S PRAYER

*HYMN “Be Still, My Soul” UMH #534
SERMON TEXT John 17:6-19 (NIV) pg 877
SERMON *Living in the World* Pastor Lisa

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*CLOSING HYMN “How Firm a Foundation” UMH #529

SENDING FORTH WITH BLESSING

*BLESSING
LIGHT OF CHRIST GOES INTO THE WORLD
 ~ Go forth to serve the Lord ~

**Altar flowers are from Deann
In honor of her mother, Joyce Ward.**

TODAY, MAY 12

Livestream: Hannah Vollnogle Sound: Bill Rowley
Computer: Vicki Freeman Greeters:

NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 19

Liturgist: Deann Davis Greeters: Harvey & Carol Smith

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

May 12, 2024

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)

Prayers for VBS

Christy (Nancy's daughter) – Undergoing tests for possible heart issues.

Joann (Joyce's friend) – Stage 5 kidney failure. Needs transplant.

Nichole V. – Gastric bypass surgery.

Martha Lee (Cha'Lette's friend) – 103-year-old. Broke her pelvis.

Meredith (Randy's daughter) – And other students during finals.

Chad R. – Lost his leg in an industrial accident. Attends Centenary.

Jacob & Hannah – Baby girl. Great-grandma is Joanie Ready.

Geoff M. (Anita's son) – Afib.

Debbie (Anita Cusick's friend) – Has a rare type of arthritis.

Bill (Jim Peppel's friend) – Cancer treatments.

Gary (Dorothy F's son) – He is paraplegic. Fell out of bed, broke his leg.

Terri (Marge's friend) – ALS. Now under Hospice Care.

Janet (Terry's sister) – Diagnosed with cancer. Needs surgery & chemo.

Bill H. – Parkinson's

HOMEBOUND

Thelma A. (Whispering Pines)

Anita M.

Lucille F. (Poland Village)

Mary V.

Joanie R. (Whispering Pines)

Evalyn M. (Parkside)

Zelda C. (Whispering Pines)

Shirley K. (Grace Woods)

IN MINISTRY

Lisa Courtwright

Tyler Rollinson

Jeff Pellin.

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**East Fairfield
United Methodist Church
Sunday, May 12, 2024
9:30 AM**



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New Waterford, OH 44445

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

MAY 5 ATTENDANCE

In person: 77

Online: 24

Update on Mission Giving for 2024

FUND	NAME OF FUND	NEED	RECEIVED	STILL NEED
2	General Mission Fund	6,374	1,989	4,385
33	4C's	125	100	25
32	Cub Scouts	150	115	35
37	Way Station	150	0	150
43	Tobin Center	300	0	300
49	Feed My Sheep (Rogers food pantry)	150	115	35
22	Flat Rock	175	155	20
64	Farmer to Farmer	300	100	200
13	UMCOR Sunday	Any Donation	0	
21	UMCOR Disasters	Any Donation	0	
14	Blankets+	Any Donation	35	
15	Peace With Justice	Any Donation	0	
16	World Communion	Any Donation	0	
17	Student Day	Any Donation	0	
46	Heroes & Halos	Any Donation	0	

Fund Balances as of end of March

Fund # 1	Ministry Operating	-2,210
Fund # 2	Mission Fund	74
Fund # 3	Building Fund	58,742
Fund # 28	Elevator Fund	4,791

Mission of the Month – UMCOR (U.M. Committee on Relief) – Fund #13

Feed My Sheep Item – Comet or Ajax Cleaner

4C's Item – Juice

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE & POTLUCK

Sunday, May 26th at 12:15

This will be at the pavilion (weather permitting). The Fellowship Committee will provide hot dogs, cheesy potatoes, ice cream, and table service. Please bring a side dish to share.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
May 12 MOTHER'S DAY 9:30 Worship at EF 10:30 Coffee Time 10:45 Sunday School -Confirmation Class 11:00 Worship at Rogers	May 13	May 14 8:30 Men's Coffee At Larry's Pavilion -Ladies' Day	May 15 7:00 Choir Practice	May 16 5:30 Rogers UMC Leadership Board	May 17 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	May 18 8:30-10:00 Feed My Sheep at Rogers UMC 11:00 Luncheon W/ Paul Nickerson
May 19 PENTECOST Recognition of Graduates Reception of New Members 9:30 Worship at EF 10:30 Coffee Time 10:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship at Rogers	May 20 7:00 Leadership Board	May 21 8:30 Men's Coffee At Larry's Pavilion Newsletter Deadline	May 22	May 23 9:00 Mailing Com 6:00 4-H (Ali Cusick)	May 24 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	May 25
May 26 9:30 Worship at EF 10:30 Coffee Time 10:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship at Rogers 12:15 Memorial Day Service & Potluck	May 27 MEMORIAL DAY	May 28 8:30 Men's Coffee At Larry's Pavilion	May 29	May 30	May 31 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	June 1
June 2 9:30 Worship at EF 10:30 Coffee Time 10:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship at Rogers	June 3 6:00 4-H (Ali Cusick)	June 4 8:30 Men's Coffee At Larry's Pavilion	June 5	June 6	June 7 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	June 8



UPCOMING EVENTS

May 18, 11:00 am
Faith United Luncheon
Best Western (Dutch Village Inn) Legacy Room

May 24 & 25, 9am – 2pm
TRASH AND TREASURE SALE at Emmanuel UMC

SOCKLESS MONSTER DRIVE

Unity Grange is collecting new, used, and mismatched socks for the disadvantaged and the homeless. The Sockless Monster drive will collect now until the end of September. If you would like to donate, please contact a member of the ministerial team to get your donation to Emmanuel for delivery to the Unity Grange.

Tuesdays at 8:00 am -- MEN'S COFFEE TIME
NEW LOCATION!

Beginning this week and during the warmer months, join us at the Webber Pavilion (45986 Carter Rd.) All men are invited to breakfast, coffee, and conversation on Tuesday mornings. Ladies are invited to join on the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

UPCOMING FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS

FEED MY SHEEP – Rogers UMC
Saturday, May 18 – 8:30 am – 10:00 am

CARING FOR GOD'S LAMBS – New Springfield Trinity UMC
Saturday, May 25 – 8:30 am – 10:00 am
Volunteers are always needed and welcome at both!

*The purpose of Faith United is to grow spiritually,
learn and love together, and lead others to Christ.*

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

East Palestine Community VBS

Camp Firelight: A Summer Camp Adventure With God

EP Park Community Center

Monday, June 24 through Thursday, June 27
9 am to noon daily

The lessons are based on the camp callout –

Whenever I'm afraid, I put my trust in You. (Psalm 56:3)

All children ranging from going into kindergarten through sixth grade are welcome. On the first day, please arrive by 8:45 am for registration. There will be a bonfire on Thursday evening for VBS campers and their families from 6:30 pm to 8 pm at the park.

DIVE INTO A SCUBA ADVENTURE WITH US!!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

East Fairfield United Methodist Church
45675 State Route 558, New Waterford, OH

July 8 - July 12, 2024 · 5:00 pm - 8:15 pm

Check in will begin at 4:45 on Monday...the program will start promptly at 5:00.

*dinner will be provided for the participants

preschool - entering 5th grade *Child must be potty-trained

GAMES - EXPERIMENTS - MUSIC - BIBLE STORIES - FOOD & FUN!!

There is no cost for the week.

Register on our website at www.eastfairfieldumc.com!

For more information, contact the church at 330-457-2465.