

EAST FAIRFIELD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor: Rev. Lisa Courtwright

Organist: Ruth Rowley

Ministers: The Congregation

Pianist: Nancy Setinsek

Choir Director: Randy Hart

Sunday, July 28, 2024 • Tenth 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 & mind to the leading of the Holy Spirit.

GATHERING

All Day Long -Bennett

Try Jesus -Baxter

CHRIST LIGHT ENTERS

MINISTRY AND MISSION UPDATES

Missy Roberts, Liturgist

PREPARING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

WORDS OF PREPARATION AND CENTERING

PRELUDE

O Master Let Me Walk With Thee -Smith

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, May 2024*)

Children of God, you are welcome here. All of who you are—even your regrets and failings—is welcome here.

We come to tell the truth about who we are in relationship with God.

Many of us find it easy to recognize our goodness and difficult to notice our sins.

We come to tell the truth about who we are in relationship with God.

Others of us live under a shroud of guilt and shame, believing we can never be good enough to receive the fullness of God's love.

We come to tell the truth about who we are in relationship with God.

However you enter this place, know this: you are loved, accepted, and called. May God's love draw us to honest confession; God's acceptance assures us of the work of grace in our lives, and God's call compels us to live in grace.

We come to tell the truth about who we are in relationship with God who loves us, accepts us, and calls us.

*OPENING PRAYER (*Bruce Prewer, www.bruceprewer.com*)

Holy God, joy of the universe, it is your awesome love that brings us here. You awaken within us a loving response, which hungers and thirsts for your truth and beauty. As we worship you, please do not give us the blessings we want but the ones we most need. Satisfy us with the truth that we may need, though such truth might be most uncomfortable, and confront us with your holy beauty, that brings us healing. Through Christ Jesus your joyful Son. Amen!

*OPENING HYMN "O Jesus, I Have Promised" UMH #396

READING FROM THE PSALMS Psalm 145:10-18 (NIV) pg 508

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

GOSPEL READING John 6:1-15 (NIV) pg 865

OFFERING OURSELVES & OUR GIFTS

INVITATION

OFFERTORY A lamp Unto My Feet -Broughton

*DOXOLOGY

UMH #95

*DEDICATION OF GIFTS

SEEKING GOD'S WORD

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER / PASTORAL PRAYER / THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN "I Need Thee Every Hour" UMH #397

SERMON TEXT 2 Samuel 11:1-15 (NIV) pg 247

SERMON *Confession Is Good For The Soul* Pastor Lisa

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *See Insert*

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*CLOSING HYMN "It's Me, It's Me, O Lord" UMH #352

SENDING FORTH WITH BLESSING

*BLESSING

LIGHT OF CHRIST GOES INTO THE WORLD

~ Go forth to serve the Lord ~

**The altar flowers are in celebration of
Deann Davis's birthday, from her mother.**

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

July 28, 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)

Jaxon – 4 yr. old. Lawn mower accident. Lost part of his leg.

Jim (Deann's co-worker) – In ICU.

Aleen (Melissa B's aunt) – Stroke.

Cathy (Cindy's friend)

Jeremy (Jan's nephew) – Surgery July 24.

Bob (Sue C.)

Ray & Donna Queen – House fire.

Unspoken prayer request.

Suzie (Mother of Sparky's co-worker) – Stage 4 colon cancer.

Kathy M. – Recovering from surgery. Waiting for test results.

Joann (Joyce's friend) – Still needs kidney.

Joanne (Elaine's neighbor)

Perry (Anita & Denise's nephew) – Stage 4 lung cancer.

Walt

Janet (Terry's sister)

Bill H. – Parkinson's

HOMEBOUND

Mary V.

Anita M.

Joanie R. (Whispering Pines)

Thelma A. (Whispering Pines)

Zelda C. (Whispering Pines)

Shirley K. (Grace Woods)

IN MINISTRY

Lisa Courtwright

Edie Boles

Jeff Pellin

Tyler Rollinson

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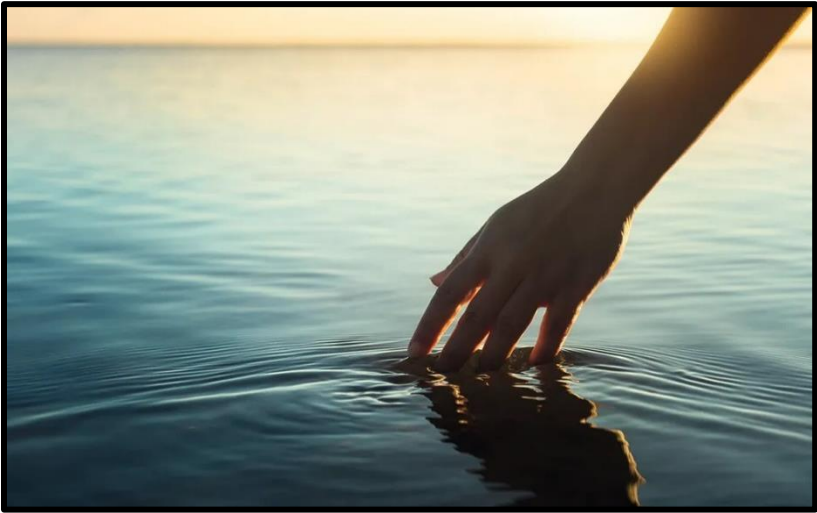
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**East Fairfield
United Methodist Church
Sunday, July 28, 2024
9:30 AM**



Rev. Lisa Courtwright
440-339-6463
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New Waterford, OH 44445

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

JULY 21 ATTENDANCE

In person: 74

Online: 26

Update on Mission Giving for 2024

FUND	NAME OF FUND	NEED	RECEIVED	STILL NEED
2	General Mission Fund	6,374	3,320	3,054
33	4C's	125	400	0
32	Cub Scouts	150	115	35
37	Way Station	150	50	100
43	Tobin Center	300	200	100
49	Feed My Sheep (Rogers food pantry)	150	165	0
22	Flat Rock	175	225	0
64	Farmer to Farmer	300	300	0
13	UMCOR Sunday	Any Donation	20	
21	UMCOR Disasters	Any Donation	30	
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 June

Fund # 1	Ministry Operating	-11,946
Fund # 2	Mission Fund	93
Fund # 3	Building Fund	62,442
Fund # 28	Elevator Fund	4,838

Mission of the Month – Feed My Sheep – Fund #49

Feed My Sheep Item – Window cleaner

4C's Item – Ramen noodles

TODAY, JULY 28

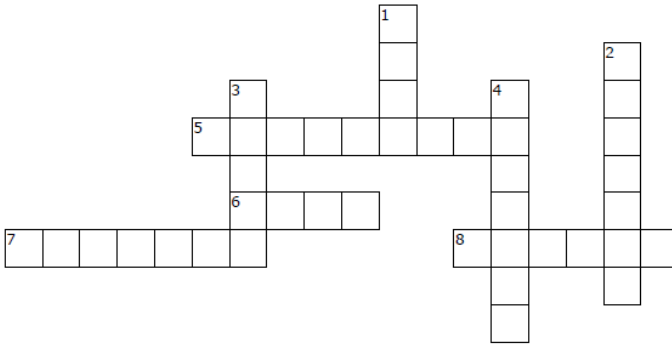
Livestream: Hannah Vollnogle Sound: Bill Rowley
Computer: Vicki Freeman Greeters:

NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

Liturgist: David Vollnogle Greeters: Harvey & Carol Smith

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
July 28 9:30 Worship at EF 10:30 Coffee Time 10:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship at Rogers	July 29 12:00 Joy Circle Women's Picnic Beverages provided. Bring covered dish and table service.	July 30 8:30 Men's Coffee At Larry's Pavilion	July 31	Aug 1	Aug 2 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	Aug 3
Aug 4 9:30 Worship at EF 10:30 Coffee Time 10:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship at Rogers	Aug 5	Aug 6 8:30 Men's Coffee At Larry's Pavilion	Aug 7	Aug 8 7:00 Faith United Board with Paul Nickerson	Aug 9 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	Aug 10
Aug 11 9:30 Worship at EF 10:30 Coffee Time 10:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship at Rogers	Aug 12	Aug 13 8:30 Men's Coffee At Larry's Pavilion -Ladies Day	Aug 14	Aug 15 5:30 Rogers UMC Leadership Board	Aug 16 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	Aug 17 8:30-10:00AM Feed My Sheep at Rogers UMC
Aug 18 9:30 Worship at EF 10:30 Coffee Time 10:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship at Rogers 12:00 Pavilion -Thelma	Aug 19 7:00 Leadership Board	Aug 20 8:30 Men's Coffee At Larry's Pavilion Newsletter Deadline	Aug 21	Aug 22 9:00 Mailing Committee	Aug 23 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	Aug 24 8:30-10:00 AM Caring For God's Lambs at New Springfield Trinity UMC

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

5. One who gives help or advice
6. To have a strong affection and attraction for someone
7. To give an order with authority
8. The first person of the Trinity; God the _____.

DOWN

1. To be alive or have life
2. For all time; time without end
3. The whole earth and all the people on it
4. Children who have no parents

FATHER
COUNSELOR

FOREVER
LIVE

WORLD
COMMAND

LOVE
ORPHANS

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we hear the story of David and wonder how he could so abuse his power—serving his own interests in such a selfish way. How different from the way Jesus used his power—serving, healing, and nurturing others.

Forgive us when our actions reflect those of David more than those of Jesus.

The account of David shows someone yielding to temptation by feeding his own particular hunger with disastrous results, while Jesus took time to feed the crowds with miraculous results.

Forgive us the times when we have yielded to the temptation of feeding our own interests to the detriment of others around us.

David demonstrated how things can get out of control when God's rules are not followed, while Jesus demonstrates how God's power can bring peace even into the stormiest situations.

We confess that the way of the world does reflect more the way of David than the way of Jesus, and we pray that we may be powerfully strengthened by the Holy Spirit to witness to Jesus' love and compassion in and through all we do and say. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.





Faith United

A Cooperative Parish of United Methodist Churches

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UPCOMING EVENTS

WOMEN'S PICNIC

Monday, July 29, at 12:00 noon



East Fairfield invites all women of the Faith United Cooperative Parish to a Picnic in the pavilion at East Fairfield on Monday, July 29.

Bring a covered-dish and table service.

In case of inclement weather, this will be held in the fellowship hall.



CARD MINISTRY

Saturday, August 3 at 10:00 am

Welcome to our Comforting Cards Meetup Group!

If you love creating beautiful handmade cards and spreading love and positivity through your craft, this is the group for you.

Whether you're an experienced card maker or just starting out, all are welcome to join us for crafting, sharing ideas, and making cards for shut-ins and Nursing home residents. Let's come together to inspire creativity, build community, and make a difference one card at a time. Join us for our meetups and unleash your creativity with fellow card enthusiasts!

GOSPEL SING

Columbiana County Fair, Lisbon Ohio

Sunday, August 4, Music starts at 1:00

Midway Webber Family Stage



Organized by Ambassadors for Christ, from New Waterford.

- 1:00 - 1:30 Ambassadors for Christ
- 1:30 - 2:00 Joyce Wiant, Salem
- 2:00 - 3:00 Gene McLaughlin Family & Friends, E. Pal.
- 3:00 - 4:00 Revived, Malvern
- 4:00 - 5:00 Kathleen Horn & Family, Minerva
- 5:30 - 6:30 All In Faith band, Salem
- 7:00 Steve Burbick, Columbiana



For more information contact Bonnie Black 330-272-7206.

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

SOCKLESS MONSTER DRIVE

We are collecting new, used, and mismatched socks for Unity Grange **until the end of September.** To donate, contact a member of the ministerial team to get your donation to Emmanuel for delivery to the Unity Grange.



MEN'S COFFEE TIME

Tuesdays at 8:00 am

at the Webber Pavilion (45986 Carter Road)

Ladies are invited to join on the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

CORN ROAST

at New Springfield Trinity UMC

Saturday, August 24 at 5:00 PM till ?

All are invited. Corn and hot dogs will be provided.
You may bring a dish to share, if you'd like.



FIRST RESPONDERS SUNDAY

Sunday, Sept. 8, at Mt. Zion UMC

Service at 11:00 AM

Lunch at 12:00 Noon

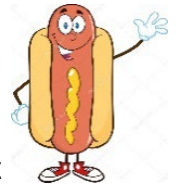
WEINER ROAST

Saturday, October 12 at Mt. Zion UMC

4:00 PM Kids Crafts

5:30 PM Weiner Roast

Bring ... your favorite dish, drink, or dessert
... a chair to sit around the fire
... a roasting stick



UPCOMING FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS

Volunteers are always needed and welcome at both!



Feed My Sheep
Rogers UMC

Saturday, August 17
8:30 am - 10:00 am

Caring for God's Lambs
New Springfield UMC

Saturday, August 24
8:30 am - 10:00 am

