



9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 30, 2023

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Welcome to Fairport UMC! We embrace the gift of diversity of our community and our world and proclaim that all persons are created in God's image. We celebrate all ways that the human family of Christ finds its diversity. Our vision is to nurture ALL people on their life journeys and to bring God's love to the world. *Masks are currently optional. Disposable masks are available in the coatroom and narthex for those who would like one.*

CHILDREN

We are glad you are here! There is a cart in the Narthex with Children's Activity Bags. We love to have children stay in worship (wiggles and giggles are welcomed and sacred sounds). We are not currently offering a staffed nursery, but the nursery room is available and open to parents and little ones. The service is also livestreamed in the nursery so you and your child can still participate in worship!

OPEN TABLE

Communion is celebrated once a month (usually on the first Sunday of the month) and all (including children) are welcome at the table. We have gluten free bread for those who need it. Please ask the servers when receiving. If you don't want to receive communion but would like a blessing, you can indicate that to the pastor.

WORSHIP ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

*indicates to stand in body or spirit

bold print indicates congregational response

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal (large blue hymnal)

FWS – The Faith We Sing (small black hymnal)

W&S – Worship & Song (small green hymnal)



FUMC is a Reconciling Congregation where all persons of any age, gender, gender identity, race, ethnic origin, economic reality, family status, sexual orientation, diverse ability or social status are welcome without reservation to share in God's love.

— GATHERING AS GOD’S PEOPLE —

The chimes call us to gather.

Give thanks to God and call on God’s holy name. We will tell of God’s wonderful works!

Let the hearts of those who seek God rejoice. We will sing God’s praises!

Give glory to God, our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

We will remember God’s mercy in all our words and actions.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Amazing Grace

arr. Folkening

OPENING PRAYER

God of the past, present and future,

we marvel at the wonder of your creation.

We praise you for gardens growing, birds singing, stars twinkling,

for shouts of playful joy and restful evening sunsets.

Such delights around us remind us of your goodness.

You promise us a life beyond anything we can imagine,

a kingdom marked by grace, love and justice for all.

In Jesus’ name,

by the power of the Spirit breathing within us,

we praise you for your loving kindness,

and the hope it brings to us day by day.

We will live to serve you,

and offer you our love and loyalty now and always.

*HYMN

How Can I Keep from Singing

FWS 2212

— LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD —

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of the seeking heart, we search for truth in a world filled with hidden agendas. Send

us your Holy Spirit to guide us to the treasures hidden in your Word, for the sake of

Christ who is the Way, the Truth and the Life for us. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 147:1-12

For the Word of God in Scripture; For the Word of God among us;
For the Word of God within us. **Thanks be to God!**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*PASSING THE PEACE

*HYMN

He Lives

UMH 310
vs. 1,3

HYMN SING

— RESPONDING IN LOVE —

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

HYMN (seated)

Amazing Grace

UMH 378
vs. 1,2,3,6

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**God of all true treasure, we offer our gifts with thankful hearts,
knowing you keep providing what makes life truly rich.
Bless these gifts so that your goodness is multiplied
to touch the lives of those in need, for Christ's sake. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father^{*}, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

^{*}You are invited to use a name for God that is most meaningful to you.

— GOING INTO GOD'S WORLD —

*HYMN

Here I Am, Lord

UMH 593

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Allegro Maestoso from *Water Music*

Handel

Let us take these few moments for preparation,
for worship is over the service begins.

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PRAYER REQUESTS

- For all those participating in the Bike Trip.
- For Vicky Deady who had hip replacement on Monday (all went well) and she is at home recovering
- For the baby of Ali, who was born at 25 weeks and is in the NICU.
- For Tracey, a friend of the Goff family, who fell carrying her granddaughter and broke her tibia.
- For people everywhere who are dealing with heat waves, wildfires, and hazardous conditions.
- For peace in our world, instead of war, oppression, injustice, and violence.

We continue our prayers for those who are in need of continued healing:

**Ed Lewek, Barb George, Shirley Robinson, Chip Rieck, Sandy Baldwin,
Frank Mueller, Courtney Pedersen, Judy Darrer, Jeff Latsha, Wally Robinson,
Pat Hemmenway, Joshua Pedersen, John Hall, Fran Mealey, Kevin Berry,
Susie Law**

We pray for all those who are homebound or in nursing homes:

**Cindy Jack, Dave and Carolyn Hebert, Ruth Howard, Janette Barley,
Cindy Stanton, Emmet and Marge Vanderburgh**

FLOWERS IN WORSHIP

Altar flowers this Sunday are from Betsy O'Connor,
in memory of Loved Ones.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee Ministry & Feed the Spirit - Help Needed

Please consider helping with this amazing ministry of hospitality! We need folks willing to help set up coffee and clean up coffee. And we need people to set up table/donate and set out food and clean up for each Sunday. You can get a group together to help. Maybe two people or 2 families could work together! We would hate to not have this fellowship opportunity each Sunday. If you are interested please see Karen Hartnett or email the church office.

Opportunities to Support the Youth's Bike Trip - July 30th

Today, the youth and adults will be biking back from Hamlin Beach State Park and they will be exhausted.

Last year, it was so helpful to have congregation members at church to meet the U-Haul van to help unload, clean tarps, wash dishes and more. If you can come help please meet at the church around 11am! Thank you.

Any help would most appreciated!!!!

Perinton Food Shelf

Happy Summer! The food shelf is in need of the following items:

Coffee, cake mix, brownie mix, frosting, tomato sauce around 15 oz.
(NOT spaghetti sauce), paper towels, facial tissues, ketchup, mustard,
mayonnaise, cooking oil, salad dressing, canned peaches, and canned beef stew.

Thank you in advance for helping out our community.

Pines of Perinton Food Cupboard

White Pines Drive is accessed from Whitney Road or 250 (Nine Mile Line Rd). The cupboard is very easily accessed by a car. This is an easy way to directly give to those in need. We also have a box located in the Coat Room where you can drop off food!

Summer Family Fun Night 2023 is coming!

This church wide event is open to everyone and anyone, child, youth and/or adult. This weekly VBS event provides fun and fellowship for our **ENTIRE** church family (nursery through adult) on Wednesday nights.

It would be very helpful if we could get a headcount for how many people we should be expecting each week as we are in the process of gathering supplies and preparing small group activities. We also need to give a headcount to the groups who will be cooking and preparing the yummy dinners which are served before the fun begins.

Please RSVP in the Narthex or send Joy an email (Joy@fairportumc.org) to let her know how many from your family unit plan on attending and on which Wednesdays:

August 2, 9, 16, and 23rd.

You do **not** need to have children in your family to attend. The programming is designed so that you can attend the weeks that fit your schedule . . . join us for 1, 2, 3, or all 4 weeks!

For those new to our church and the SFFN experience, the evening starts off with a simple dinner provided by a church group. Next, a large group activity is enjoyed by all followed by small group activities, divided up by age/grade. The evening concludes with a final large group closing.

It is SO MUCH FUN to be together for a fun evening of fellowship as a church family! We are excited to share this year's theme, God's Promises, with everyone!!

Playground Playdates at Potter Park

These playdates give families the opportunity to meet each other and have some fun! PreK Sunday school teachers will stop by as well. They begin after worship and run from 11:00 - 12noon. This gives everyone the chance to stop by Feed the Spirit and head over to Potter Park which is just a block from the church at 53 West Church Street (same side of the street).

The dates we have scheduled are: *August 6th, August 20th.*

Bring your water bottles and join us when you can! We look forward to the fun! Our hope is that these opportunities help make a smooth transition to Sunday school in September.

Help Collect School Supplies for Learning Links of Fairport

We have been asked to help collect school supplies for Learning Links Kids, a tutoring program which Fairport UMC supports. Please use the link in our E-News to see which specific supplies we have been asked to donate or pick up a list from the table in the Narthex.

Backpacks are all accounted for due to the generosity of many after worship Sunday!

Please note that there are specific colors to the notebooks, dry erase markers, etc. It is important for us to follow those directions because those are the items specifically needed. Starting this week, there will be a box in the Parlor for you to place your donations.

Thank you in advance for supporting this very worthwhile cause!

Update from the Finance Committee

As we enter into the second half of 2023, the finance committee would like to update the congregation as to the results of our giving for the first half of the year, as well as the overall financial situation.

Thank you for your past gifts to our 50/50 campaign! In addition to the many charities and organizations we have supported, your donations to this fund over the years have made it possible for capital improvements to the church including our new parking lot! Several other smaller scale projects are also in the plans!

Our operating budget, that pays the day-to-day expenses of the church, finished the first half of the year with a deficit of \$5,000. While this is a small amount in comparison to our total budget of \$435,000, we are somewhat concerned as this is the first time in 6 years we have run a negative net amount for the first 6 months.

However, we are also encouraged, as the data indicates that this deficit will disappear as people catch up and fulfill their annual pledge in the second half of the year.

Lastly, in terms of the overall financial condition of the church, we are pleased to report that we are in a sound position. Due to grants that we were able to secure during the pandemic, and more importantly, your stewardship, we have adequate resources at present to cover temporary negative net revenues, as well as unforeseen emergent occurrences.

Your stewardship has made this possible! Thank you once again! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dave Dupont or any other member of the Finance Committee.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP THIS WEEK

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| <i>Sunday, July 30</i> | 9:30am | Summer Worship |
| <i>Monday, July 31</i> | 1pm | Godmothers Group - Offsite |
| <i>Tuesday, August 1</i> | 12 & 4pm 7pm | The Bible Year Bible Study - 204 SPRC - 204/Zoom, YMST |
| <i>Wednesday, August 2</i> | 5:15pm | Summer Family Fun Nights - FH |
| <i>Thursday, August 3</i> | | |
| <i>Friday, August 4</i> | 10:30am | Heart Listening Small Group |
| <i>Saturday, August 5</i> | 12pm | Al Anon - FH |
| <i>Sunday, August 6</i> | 9:30am 10:30am | Summer Worship UWIF Leadership Meeting - P |

MINISTERS AND STAFF OF FUMC

Ministers - All God's People

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| Custodian - Jamie Gualtieri | |

HELPING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Livestream Operator: Barry Bermudez

Reader: Betsy O'Connor

Feed the Spirit: Jennie Guy