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18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

OCTOBER 1, 2023

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## 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 use all gluten/dairy free bread. 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.  
*It’s time to celebrate; we are in the presence of God.  
We invite you to prepare your hearts to receive God’s love.*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *One Bread, One Body* Schmoltze

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come! Now is the time to worship!

**We come to worship God who loves us.**

Today we gather in this time and place to praise God, celebrate Holy Communion with Christians around the world and receive a special offering for young leaders.

We come today  
**trusting in God.**

We come today  
**delighting in God.**

We come today  
**committing to the way of God.**

We come today  
**ready to worship in the fullness of God’s community.**

We come today  
**ready to build up peace, justice and righteousness.**

Come! Now is the time to worship!

**We come to worship God who loves us for the long haul.**

\*HYMN

*Have Thine Own Way, Lord*

UMH 382

— LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD —

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION & SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 17:1-7

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 (10:30)

\*PASSING THE PEACE

\*HYMN

*One Bread, One Body*

UMH 620

MESSAGE

For the Long Haul: Quarreled and Tested  
Matthew 21:23-32

Rev. Richelle Goff

— RESPONDING IN LOVE —

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

*World Communion Sunday celebrates the relationship we share with Jesus' followers around the world. Let us share our gifts with God, so there can be an outpouring of generosity in Jesus' name around the globe.*

OFFERTORY

*We Remember You*

Larson

(9:00) Early Choir      (10:30) Chancel Choir

Rebecca Camilleri, cello

\*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

**Generous God, we have received so much from you in Christ and in creation. Bless the gifts we offer so that they will speak of your love for the world in all its detail and diversity. May our gifts touch the need around us in the name of Christ who makes us one. Amen.**

— SEEKING GRACE —

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All-embracing God,  
we confess we don't like to feel uncomfortable.  
We often turn away from suffering or injustice,  
even when the evidence is right before our eyes.  
We don't like to feel responsible for reaching out,  
even when we could.  
Forgive us, O God.  
Give us courage to love others as you love us,  
and respond with the same mind we meet in Christ Jesus. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ – and Christ died for us; Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven by God's renewing grace.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

FWS 2257

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

*Parts (b) – (d) are sung responsively.*

*“Hosanna in the highest!” is sung in unison each time.*

## 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.

## SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## – GOING INTO GOD'S WORLD –

\*HYMN

*I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

FWS 2153

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

*Toccata in G Major*

Speth

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

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- For the family of Lee Williams who passed away, a dear friend of the Rogers and Osmers family.
- For the family and friends of Janette Barley, who passed away on September 16th.
- For Pat, a dear friend of Fran Mealey, who is nearing the end of her life.
- For Martha McNeill, who will be having hip replacement surgery on October 2.
- For people everywhere dealing with extreme weather 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:*

**Becky Gualtieri, Joy Leinenbach, Tom Kielbasinski, Susan Grau, Baby Elijah (Eli) and family, Ed Lewek, Barb George, Shirley Robinson, John Pattison, Chip Rieck, Sandy Baldwin, Frank Mueller, Courtney Pedersen, Judy Darrer, Jeff Latsha, Pat Hemmenway, Joshua Pedersen, John Hall, Jen Simpson, Dodie Maier**

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

**Margaret Goerss, Cindy Jack, Carol Snow, Ruth Howard, Cindy Stanton, Emmet and Marge Vanderburgh, Wally Robinson (CT), Dave and Carolyn Hebert (KY)**

*From our neighbors @ Francis Center Homeless Shelter:*

- Michael D. asks prayer for his wife that the mental pain she is feeling goes away soon. Also, that he get a full time job at Kodak and find the power and courage to stay clean and get his life back!
- Michael M. ...Thanks and blessings to FUMC for the dinner. He also asks that he be a better person and that God forgives us all.
  - Paul requests prayer to find good housing and that he hears from his kids.
    - Jacky wants prayers for his wife who is in jail.
    - Luz also asks for prayers for his wife who is in jail.
    - Wesley's prayer is that "In God we trust".

## FLOWERS IN WORSHIP

Flowers today are in loving memory of Janette Barley, a long time member of our church and United Women in Faith.

## PERMISSIONS

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Call to Worship: Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, March 2023  
and resourceumc.org, adapted; Other Liturgy: <https://presbyterian.ca/worship/>

## SERVICE MUSIC TEXT

### **We Remember You**

*We remember you; by your sacrifice of love all glory now is due.*

*At this table here, mercy hovers near.*

*Thanks is offered up; in this bread and cup we remember you.*

*Precious risen Lamb, Jesus who was slain, Now enthroned in glory, forever you will reign.*

*Gladly we embrace both these signs of grace.*

*Thanks is offered up; in this bread and cup we remember you.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY**



**TOGETHER  
OUR REACH IS BEYOND  
MEASURE**

The United Methodist Church's special giving structure ensures your generosity blesses as many people as possible in sustainable, strategic ways.

**YOUR DONATION CHANGES  
THE WORLD ONE LIFE AT A TIME**

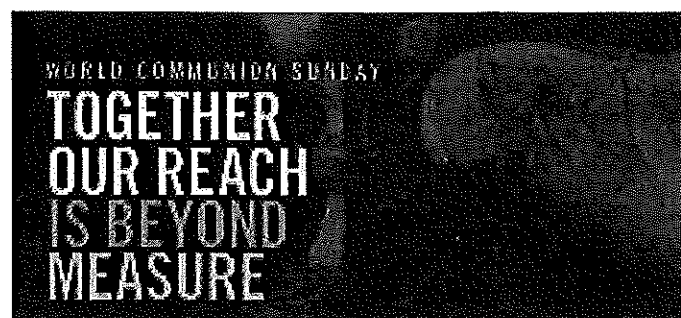
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### **WHY DO WE CELEBRATE SPECIAL SUNDAYS?**

United Methodists celebrate on specific days to unite and make clear the commitment of the church as the people of God, and to give everyone the opportunity to contribute to special programs approved and supported by the Church. For stories on how you make a difference visit [UMC.org/yourimpact](http://UMC.org/yourimpact)

### **HOW DO YOUR GIFTS SUPPORT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS AROUND THE WORLD?**

We are called to reach out to all people and model the diversity of all God's children. Your gifts support racial and ethnic students in achieving their educational goals while also transforming communities. Fifty percent of the offering provides scholarships for graduate students from the U.S. and other countries. Thirty-five percent supports ethnic scholarships for undergraduate students. Fifteen percent funds In-Service Training Programs for racial and ethnic persons.



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## Cantata Choir Sign-Up

*Christmas Cantata* rehearsals begin on **Wednesday, October 11!**

If you are interested in singing, see the music bulletin board (main hallway, across from the water fountain) for rehearsal requirements and a sign-up sheet!

The **deadline** to sign up is **October 8**.

Please contact Nicole if you have any questions! ([nicole@fairportumc.org](mailto:nicole@fairportumc.org))

Mark your calendars for our Cantata performances on **December 9 & 10!**

## Annual Church Charge Conference

October 29, 4:30-5:00pm

Penfield UMC

All members are invited to attend!

## United Women in Faith

Ruth Circle will meet in the Parlor on Monday, October 2 at 7pm. Our speaker is Brenda Deever who will explain the UWF Reading Program. All women are invited to attend.

## Medicare Made Simple

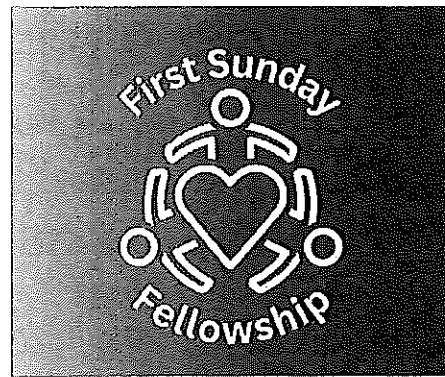
Navigating the world of Medicare doesn't have to be overwhelming. Come to a talk on 'Medicare Made Simple,' where we break down the complexities of this

healthcare program into easy-to-understand terms. Whether you're approaching retirement age, helping a loved one with their healthcare decisions, or just curious about how Medicare works, this talk will provide you with a clear roadmap.

Discover the different parts of Medicare, learn about coverage options, understand enrollment periods, and get insights into how to make the most of your benefits. Empower yourself with the knowledge you need to confidently make informed healthcare choices.

Mary C. Anderson will be offering this presentation on October 26th @1pm in the Parlor.

## First Sunday Fellowship



Today!!! First Sunday Fellowship is a fellowship hour for parents and grandparents during the 9:00 Sunday school hour and

worship time on the first Sunday of each month in Fellowship Hall. There will be light refreshments. We really hope you will take this opportunity to connect with other parents during the Sunday school hour and then worship together as a family during the second worship service.

## SPIRITUAL GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP THIS WEEK

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| <i>Sunday, October 1</i>    | 8am<br>9am<br>9:00 & 10:30am<br>10:00am<br>11:45am | Early Choir - 113<br>First Sunday Fellowship<br>Worship<br>Feed the Spirit<br>Youth Group |
| <i>Monday, October 2</i>    | 1pm<br>7pm<br>7:30pm                               | Godmothers Group - 204<br>Ruth Circle<br>Men's Bible Study                                |
| <i>Tuesday, October 3</i>   | 10:15am<br>6:30pm<br>7pm<br>7pm                    | Staff Meeting - P<br>Joyful Noise Choir - 206<br>SPRC - 204 / Zoom<br>YMST                |
| <i>Wednesday, October 4</i> | 7pm  | Chancel Choir - 113   |
| <i>Thursday, October 5</i>  | 6:30pm   | Bell Choir - S  |
| <i>Friday, October 6</i>    | 10:30am  | Heart Listening Small Group   |
| <i>Saturday, October 7</i>  | 12pm   | Al Anon - FH  |
| <i>Sunday, October 8</i>    | 9:00 & 10:30am                                     | Worship   |

### MINISTERS AND STAFF OF FUMC

**Ministers - All God's People**

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**Custodian - Jamie Gualtieri**

### HELPING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

**Livestream Operator: Julie Woodruff**

**Readers: 9am - Lorraine Rieck    10:30am - Anne Wilson**

**Feed the Spirit: Sue Striegel**