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**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**APRIL 28, 2024**

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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! Sunday School (children/youth/adult) is at 9am.

### **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**

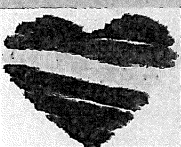
\*indicates to stand in body or spirit

**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 —

*It’s time to celebrate; we are in the presence of God.  
We invite you to prepare your hearts to receive God’s love.*

The chimes call us to gather.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Fugue in G Minor* Bach

\*CALL TO WORSHIP & OPENING PRAYER

Like spring breaking through winter’s power,  
**God’s resurrecting power breaks into our lives in surprising ways.**  
Like the vine that supports blossoms and fruit,  
**God’s Word upholds the church in strength.**  
Let us worship God who makes all things new.  
**We will praise God who brings growth and renewal to all life.**

\*HYMN *O Blessed Spring* FWS 2076

— LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD —

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 8:26-40  
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 *Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth* FWS 2050

\*GOSPEL READING John 15:1-8  
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!**

MESSAGE *Branching Out* Rev. Richelle Goff

— RESPONDING IN LOVE —

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

*I Am the Vine*

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

\*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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father<sup>\*</sup>, 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.**

<sup>\*</sup>You are invited to use a name for God that is most meaningful to you.

— MOVING IN GOD'S WAY —

\*HYMN

*When We Are Living*

UMH 356

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Prelude in G Minor*

Bach

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

FLOWERS IN WORSHIP

Altar flowers are given by Caitlin Romagnola.

Happy 99<sup>th</sup> Birthday to my grandma Jean!

## SERVICE MUSIC TEXT

### **I Am the Vine**

*When Jesus walked the earth among us, long ago and far away,  
He brought the people hope of salvation.  
They heard Him teach. They heard Him say:*

#### REFRAIN

*I am the Vine, you are the branches; if you believe you will be free.  
You are my sheep, I am your Shepherd.  
You will bear fruit, come follow Me.*

*If we believe He still walks among us day by day and year by year,  
Will we know He brings us salvation? Will we see? Will we hear?*

#### REFRAIN

*Holy, holy, holy Lord. Teach us today, show us the way.*

#### REFRAIN

*I am the Vine. Come follow Me.*

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- Congratulations to Samantha and Cody Hodge on the birth of their daughter, Quinley, born April 22!
- For Anne Wilson, who needs healing in her right eye after cataract surgery.
- For Emmet Vanderburgh who fell & broke his hip; he is currently receiving rehab.
- For the Beyond These Walls Ministry Team & their visit to Sanctuary House today.
- For the Sunday Dinner Ministry Team & the neighbors being served.
- For people everywhere dealing with extreme weather and hazardous conditions.
- For peace in our world, instead of war, oppression, injustice, and violence.
- For the Middle East, Ukraine and other countries in the midst of the horror of war.

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

Becky Gualtieri, Susan Grau, Ed Lewek, Barb George, Shirley Robinson,  
Chip Rieck, Sandy Baldwin, Carol & Frank Mueller, Courtney Pedersen, Judy Darrer,  
Jeff Latsha, John Hall, Jen Simpson, Marlene Beisler, Annie Taggart, Al, Lindsey, Myla,  
Jane Leonard

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

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

*Blessings to JoAnn Price-Yablin & Roger Woodin  
on their marriage April 27th!*

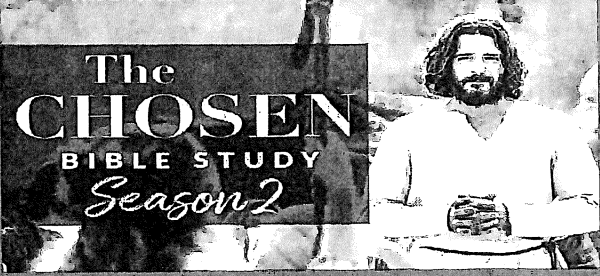
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Hymns: The United Methodist Publishing House; Augsburg Fortress;  
Hope Publishing Co.; The Copyright Co., <https://presbyterian.ca/worship/>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Small Group Study  
Tuesday Discussion @ 12 noon  
(11 am to watch together)



**The CHOSEN**  
BIBLE STUDY  
Season 2

Fairport UMC  
Starting April 16th

Adult Forum



**ECLIPSING EMPIRE**

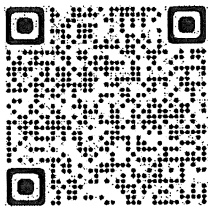
**EMPIRE**

SUNDAYS @ 9am Room 204

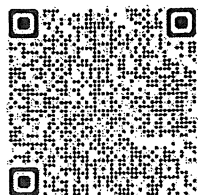
### The Chosen - Season 2!

All are welcome to join us for Season 2 of The Chosen! Watch from home or join us at church. Use links from E-News or...

To watch the Trailer - use this QR Code



To watch Episode 3 - use this QR

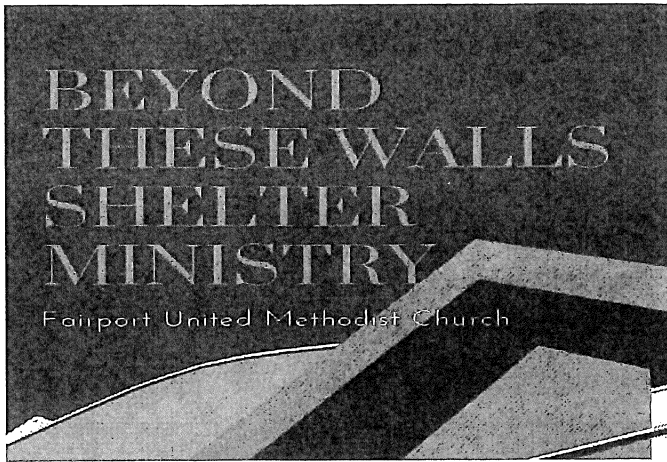


### Adult Forum

Eclipsing Empire: Paul, Rome, and the Kingdom of God

Join New Testament scholars Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan on location in Turkey as they trace the Apostle Paul's footsteps throughout the Roman Empire.

This video study explores fresh insights into Paul's message of the Kingdom of God, its challenge to Roman imperial theology, and the apostle's radical relevance for today.



### **Volunteers needed for Beyond These Walls Shelter Ministry visits**

New sign-up sheets are now posted on the bulletin board across from the church office.

Shelter visits are on the following dates:

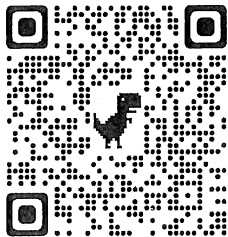
Today, May 26, and June 23

Please contact Judy Bermudez - ([judybermudez@hotmail.com](mailto:judybermudez@hotmail.com)) or Sue Striegel ([sgolembe@gmail.com](mailto:sgolembe@gmail.com)) for additional information.

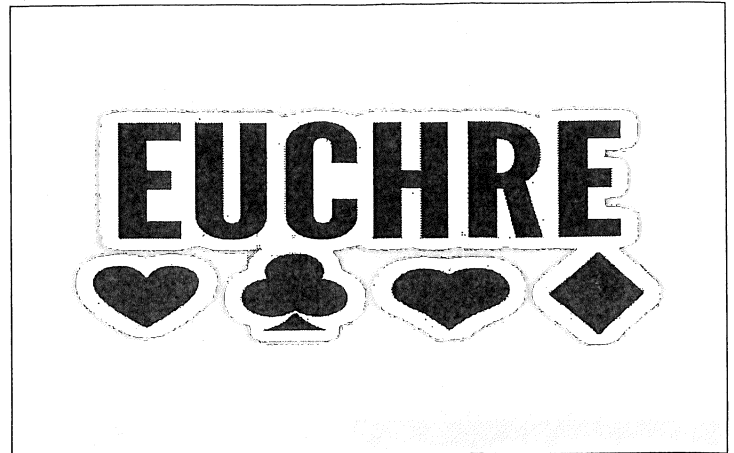
### **Fairport UMC - Lawn Mowing**

If you can donate a couple of hours (in a week of your choosing) then please use the link in E-News (or the QR code below) to sign up to cut the lawn around the Church and Filkins House.

*Thank you! (Lawn mower & gas are provided)*



**Save the dates!**



### **Euchre Tournament**

Our next church-wide Euchre Tournament will be held on Saturday, May 4th in Fellowship Hall.

Doors open at 6:30pm. Play begins sharply at 7:00pm. There is no cost to play!

There will be music and beverages. Snacks are always welcome. Bring yourself, bring a friend.

Everyone is guaranteed a partner.

### **Summer Office Hours\***

Church Office Hours will be changing to \*10am - 1pm starting May 6th.

*Also the church office email has changed - please use the following address:*

**[office@fairportumc.org](mailto:office@fairportumc.org)**

# Perinton Congregations

for Greater Rochester  
Habitat for Humanity

You're invited to the dedication of our Habitat house at 108 Ackerman Street, Rochester, on Friday, May 17, 3:00 p.m.

Come join the celebration and tour the house. Thanks to all who supported this house with their time, talent, treasure, and prayers.

Our next home will be 207 Melville Street. Groundbreaking is scheduled for June and volunteer builders can start work soon after the groundbreaking.

For more info go to [PerintonHabitat.org](http://PerintonHabitat.org)



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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
**MINISTRY  
FAIR**

Come and explore all of the ministries that Fairport UMC has to offer and see where you might fit and serve God.  
Let's grow together!

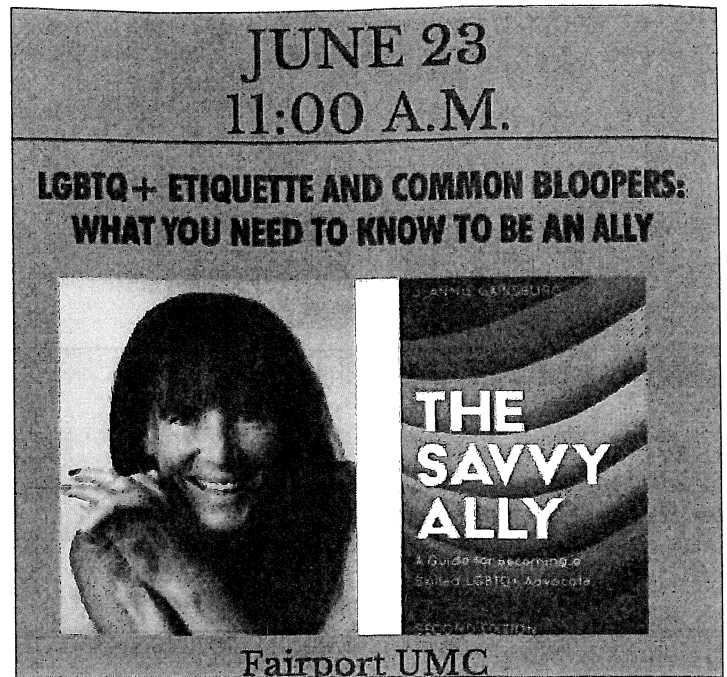
SUNDAY  
MAY 19, 2024

AFTER BOTH SERVICES  
10:00AM - 10:30 AM  
11:40AM - 12:30PM

## Fairport UMC Ministry Fair

On Pentecost Sunday, May 19th, there will be a Ministry Fair which will highlight the different ministries here at church.

You will be able to learn what they do and how you can fit in by serving God here at Fairport UMC! Stay tuned for more details.

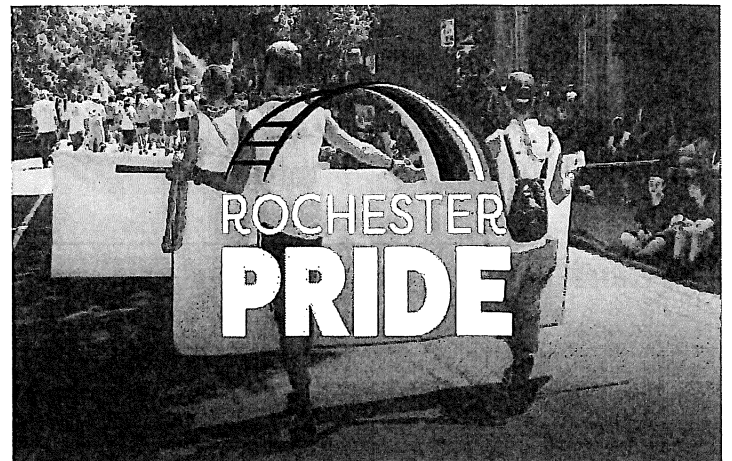


JUNE 23  
11:00 A.M.

**LGBTQ+ ETIQUETTE AND COMMON BLOOPERS:  
WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW TO BE AN ALLY**

**THE SAVVY ALLY**  
A Guide for becoming a Savvy LGBTQ+ Advocate

Fairport UMC



## Pride Parade 2024! - Leader Needed

We are in need of someone from Fairport UMC to head up our involvement in the parade.

The last few years all the Reconciling UMCs in the area marched together as a witness to the inclusive love of God and that each person is a beloved child of God.

If you are interested in helping be on a team with other area church leaders please contact Richelle at [rduchano@gmail.com](mailto:rduchano@gmail.com)

## SPIRITUAL GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP THIS WEEK

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| <b>Sunday, April 28</b>  | 8am<br>9am<br>9am & 10:30am<br>10am<br>12:30pm<br>4pm<br>4:30pm<br>5pm | Early Choir<br>Sun. School & Adult Forum<br>Worship<br>Bike Trip Meeting - 207<br>Sunday Dinner - K / FH<br>Sr. High Youth Group<br>Confirmation<br>Beyond These Walls Shelter Visit |
| <b>Monday, April 29</b>  | 1pm<br>7pm<br>7:30pm   | Godmothers Group - 204<br>Boy Scouts - FH<br>Men's Bible Study - Zoom  |
| <b>Tuesday, April 30</b> | 10am<br>11am & Noon<br>6:30pm  | Staff Meeting - P<br>The Chosen Video- 204 / Zoom<br>Joyful Noise - 206  |
| <b>Wednesday, May 1</b>  | 7pm  | Chancel Choir - 113, S   |
| <b>Thursday, May 2</b>   | 6:30pm   | Bell Choir - S   |
| <b>Friday, May 3</b>     | 10:30am<br>5pm   | Heart Listening Small Group (offsite)<br>Jubert Wedding Rehearsal - S  |
| <b>Saturday, May 4</b>   | Noon<br>3pm<br>6:30pm  | Al Anon - FH<br>Jubert Wedding - S, FH<br>Euchre Tournament - FH   |
| <b>Sunday, May 5</b>     | 8am<br>9am<br>9am & 10:30am<br>4pm<br>6pm                              | Early Choir<br>Sun. School & Adult Forum<br>Worship<br>Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group<br>Boy Scout Leaders Meeting - P   |

### MINISTERS AND STAFF OF FUMC

**Ministers - All God's People**

**Pastor** - Rev. Richelle Goff

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**Music Ministry Director** - Nicole Camilleri

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**Family Ministries Director** - Joy Leinenbach

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**Administrative Assistant** - Kevin Gordon

office@fairportumc.org

**Custodian** - Jamie Gualtieri

### HELPING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

**Livestream Operator:** Julie Woodruff

**Readers:** 9am - Mary Martin 10:30am - Avery Enser

**Feed the Spirit:** The Pfund Family