



31 West Church St.,
Fairport, NY 14450
585.223.9560
www.fairportumc.org
office@fairportumc.org

16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

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. *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. 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!
Note: Sunday School (children/youth/adult) during the school year is at 9am.

OPEN TABLE

Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of the month and all, including children, are welcome at the table. We use gluten/dairy free bread. If you would prefer not to receive communion but would like a blessing, please indicate that to the pastor.

WORSHIP ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

*indicates to stand as you are able

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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

The chimes call us to gather as we prepare our hearts to worship God.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all! **And also with you!**

PRELUDE

Fugue in C Major

Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21, Revised JPS 2023)

Sing to God, who has triumphed gloriously;

Horse and driver have been hurled into the sea.

God is my strength and might, and has become my deliverance.

This is my God whom I will enshrine; the God of my parents, whom I will exalt.

The ETERNAL One, the Warrior—Whose name is GOD!

Your right hand, O Eternal One, glorious in power,

Your right hand, O Eternal One, shatters the foe!

In Your great triumph you break Your opponents;

At the blast of Your nostrils the waters piled up.

Who is like You, O Eternal One, among the celestials?

Who is like You, majestic in holiness?

Sing to God, who has triumphed gloriously;

Horse and driver have been hurled into the sea.

*HYMN

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

UMH 731

CALL TO RECONCILIATION (Beth Merrill Neel, *Hold Fast to What Is Good*)

In the beauty of this space, in this sacred moment, in the fellowship we have with one another, we speak with God about our lives, about how we have followed and how we have faltered. Trusting in God's grace and mercy, let us make our confession.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Beth Merrill Neel, *Hold Fast to What Is Good*)

God of mercy and love, we know that sometimes we allow ourselves to be distracted by things that really don't matter all that much. We would rather pursue intellectual arguments than live the gospel. We would rather debate our equals than defend the vulnerable. We prefer to think about you instead of getting to know you. So help us, God. Help us to discern what does matter to you and to the vulnerable you call us to. Help us to open up our hearts, wide in love and grace, and so be living examples of your good news. In Christ we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF GRACE (Adapted from Beth Merrill Neel, *Hold Fast to What Is Good*)

Friends, hear the good news: Jesus came not to condemn us, but to love us and show us the way. Know that we are forgiven, and be at peace. **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 14:19-31

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

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

OFFERTORY

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

arr. Wächter

(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** (Adapted from UMC Discipleship Ministries)

Merciful Deliverer, you part the waters when we feel trapped and forgive debts too great to repay. In the face of fear and brokenness, you lead us with compassion and grace. May the gifts we bring today reflect our deep gratitude for your mercy. Teach us to lead not with judgment, but with generosity, recognizing that what we have, we hold by your mercy. Bless these offerings and bless us as stewards of your kin-dom, always seeking to build a world where grace is not rare but abundant. Amen.

***HYMN**

Help Us Accept Each Other

UMH 560

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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.

***GOSPEL READING**

Matthew 18:21-35

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

What You Owe

Pastor Ian Urriola-Schonewolf

***HYMN**

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

FWS 2171

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude in C Major

Bach

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

FLOWERS IN WORSHIP

are from Fran & Dan Mealey, in celebration of granddaughter, Paige's birthday!

PRAYER REQUESTS

- For the family & friends of Joe Sartori, who passed away on September 9th (Barb Grau's father).
- For Rob Wilson, who is experiencing serious health issues (Anne Wilson).
- For Arlene Herrington, recovering from heart-related hospitalization (Margaret Scott).
- For our Luke 10 team as they help to lead our congregation in advocating with and for our neighbors in need, and for their work helping us to partner with the Children's Agenda through the upcoming Children's Sabbath project.
- For our country, and for peace in our world.

We pray for those who are in need of continued healing

FUMC Members: Ed Lewek, Bob Grow, Courtney Pedersen, the Osmer family, Linda Marsters, Roger Woodin, Richard Law, Josh Pedersen, Marcia Joy, Barbara Thieme

Family / Friends: Becky Gualtieri, Shirley Robinson, David Klein, Annette Galloway, Barb, Katelyn, Betsy B, Hannah, Audrey, Dan Mousseau, Ellen, Liz, Tracy, Leann Strait, Deborah M., Nancy Shaw, Lisa Rising-Patchen, Mateo, Karin Mihal Smith, Debbi Hoagland, David, Glen Habbershaw, Killian Hall

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

Heather Malvarosa, Marjorie Rose, Betty Brandt, Gary Nelson, Carol Snow, Cindy Stanton, Marge Vanderburgh, Wally Robinson (CT), Carolyn Hebert (KY)

PERMISSIONS & CREDITS

CCLI #841086; ONE LICENSE, License #A-736763

Hymns: The United Methodist Publishing House; Hope Publishing Co.; OCP Publications

SERVICE MUSIC TEXT

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

*My faith looks up to Thee, O Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!
Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day be wholly Thine!*

*May Thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire;
As Thou hast died for me, O, may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!*

*While life's dark maze I tread,
And griefs around me spread, be Thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray from Thee aside.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS



*...to Ed Caskey for repairing
the faucet in the sacristy!*

Update on the Large Anonymous Gift from Last Year

Please use the link in E-News to review the report / update as we hope to keep you informed as to our progress in discerning how to be good stewards of this generous gift.

There are also a limited number of printed reports on the table in the Narthex.

ARE YOU A MEDICAL OR
MENTAL HEALTH
PROFESSIONAL?



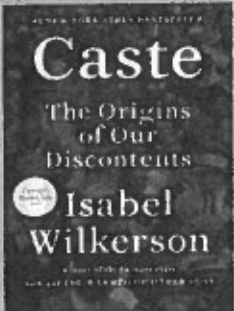
We are creating a list of those willing
to help in an emergency at church!

Contact Loren Romagnola
ljr4957@gmail.com

The Worship Ministry Team is creating a list
of medical and mental health professionals
who would be willing to help in emergency
situations at church.

Please contact Loren Romagnola
(ljr4957@gmail.com) to be added
to this important list! **Thank you!**

Amplify the Light



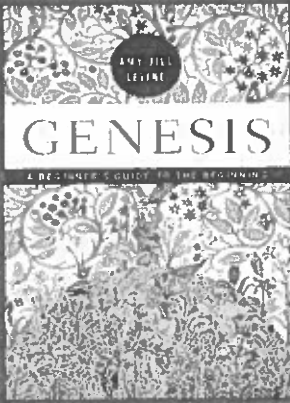

We will start **Caste**
on September 2.

Let Joy know if you
need a book.

*"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has
not overcome it".*

John 1:5

Tuesday Small Group

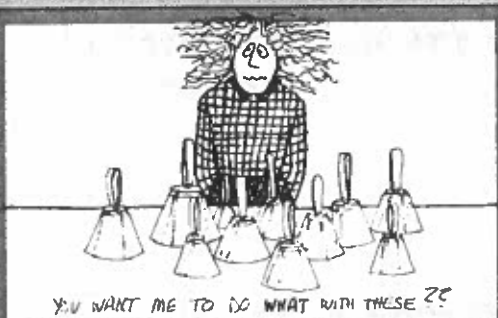


Tuesdays
Room 204 and Zoom

Noon - 1pm

Beginning
Tuesday, September 15th

Join Our Bell Choir!



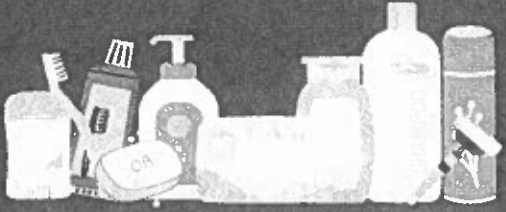
YOU WANT ME TO DO WHAT WITH THESE??

JOIN THE FUN- RING BELLS!!

**Thursday
Rehearsals
6:30-8:00 PM**

**Contact Nicole
nicole@fairportumc.org**

Personal Care Items for Sanctuary House



ITEMS REQUESTED:

deodorant, body wash (travel size), shampoo (travel size),
toothbrushes, toothpaste, tampons, sanitary pads,
women's underwear in all sizes, bras in all sizes.

There is a donation box in the coatroom.



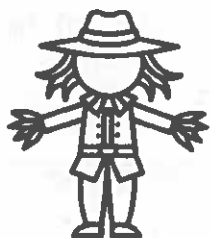
Everyone is invited to join us for food, fun and fellowship on
Sunday September 20th at noon for our annual **Welcome Back Picnic!**

Please bring a **dish to pass** (side dish, salad or dessert) and a **place setting** (plate, silverware, cup) for each person. UMM is providing hot dogs and a vegetarian option. Water and lemonade will be provided.

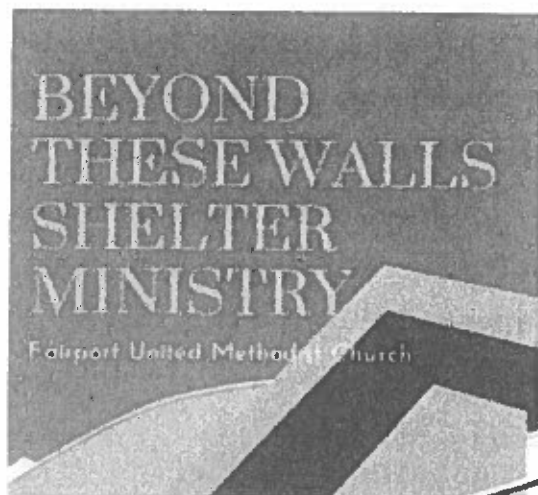
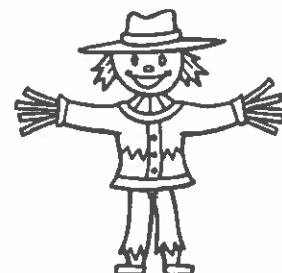
Please RSVP on the **sign up sheet** in the narthex or by emailing the church office.

We need to know how many hot dogs and/or vegetarian options to purchase.

See you there!



*Also (if you want) you can help decorate our scarecrow
 for Fairport's Annual Scarecrow Festival!*



Volunteer and Food Donation sign-up sheets for
 "Beyond These Walls" shelter visits are now posted
 on the bulletin board across from the church office.

There are volunteer opportunities for visits to the
 Francis Center and Sanctuary House on September
 27, October 25, November 22, and December 20.

Please contact Judy Bermudez

judybermudez@hotmail.com or Sue Striegel

sgolembe@gmail.com for additional information.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 13	8am 9am 10:30 4pm	Early Choir – 113 Worship, Sunday School, Adult Forum Worship Youth Group Kickoff Parent Meeting
Monday, September 14	1pm 6:30 7pm	Godmothers – 204, Caring Ministries – P UWIF Leaders – P Scouts - FH
Tuesday, September 15	10:15am 12pm 6:30 7pm	Staff Meeting Small Group – 204 Outreach Trustees
Wednesday, September 16	5:45pm 7pm	Amplify the Light – 204/Zoom Chancel Choir – 113, S
Thursday, September 17	6:30pm 7pm	Bell Choir – S Luke 10 – Zoom
Friday, September 18	10:30am 7:30pm	Heart Listening Small Group (offsite) Al Anon – FH
Saturday, September 19	Noon	Al Anon – FH
Sunday, September 20	8am 9am 10:30 12pm	Early Choir – 113 Worship, Sunday School, Adult Forum Worship Church Picnic – Center Park in Fairport

MINISTERS AND STAFF OF FUMC

Ministers - All God's People

Pastor - Sam Smith

Music Ministry Director - Nicole Camilleri

Family Ministries Director - Joy Leinenbach

Administrative Assistant - Kevin Gordon

Custodian - Jamie Gualtieri

sam@fairportumc.org

nicole@fairportumc.org

joy@fairportumc.org

office@fairportumc.org

HELPING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Livestream Operator: Barry Bermudez

Readers: 9am—Lori Lorraine 10:30am—Anne Wilson

Thank you to this week's **Feed the Spirit** volunteers.