

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Communion

September 5, 2021

*Denotes people standing if able

PRELUDE - BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

Jesus is the Light of the World. Please be silent and prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING HYMN

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

#557
(UM Hymnal)

* GREETING OF PEACE

Look for someone you don't often greet, and wish them God's peace

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

#895
(UM Hymnal)

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

Offertory – Please place UMCOR donations in the offering plate

The baskets are for this month's mission offering, not UMCOR

* Song of Praise “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

* The Blessing of Our Gifts

#95
(UM Hymnal)

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Touch the Sky”

Evy
Joshua Loucks

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SERMON TEXT

Luke 6:27 - 38

p. 729
(Pew Bible)

SERMON

“It Depends on What You Do”

Pastor Rob Snodgrass

THE RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION

Blessing the Bread and Cup

Sharing the Bread and Cup

SENT FORTH TO SERVE

*UNITING TOGETHER in the “Bond of Love” Chorus

#206
(Praise Book)

POSTLUDE

Jesus Christ is the Light of the World. As the Light leads us out into the world, we go to serve, to love, and to share the Good News of God's grace. You are free to leave the sanctuary during the Postlude, or to remain seated until it is completed.

NEW JOURNEY HAPPENINGS! (The Church Office is open 9 am to noon, Mon – Thurs)

Sunday, Sep. 5 - Communion

Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Monday, Sep 6 - Office Closed for Labor Day

Tuesday, Sep 7

Office open from 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Center[ed] on Wellness starting at Noon Gather Inn

Wednesday, Sep 8

Office open from 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Agape Choir practice 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, Sep 9

Office open from 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Evy's Closet 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The Table Meal Ministry 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Riverfront Park

Friday, Sep 10

Office Closed

Men's Bible Study with Rev. Elton Orpurt 8:00 a.m. Martin's in Niles

- All men are welcome!

Saturday, Sep 11

Men's Breakfast 8:00 a.m. Rise 'n Shine on M-60

Sunday, Sep 12

Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Decommissioning of Crystal Springs 2:00 to 4:00 at the Camp

FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US

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Debra Litchfield, Organist: debralitchfield@att.net

Tracy Lewis, Custodian: 269.357.6730

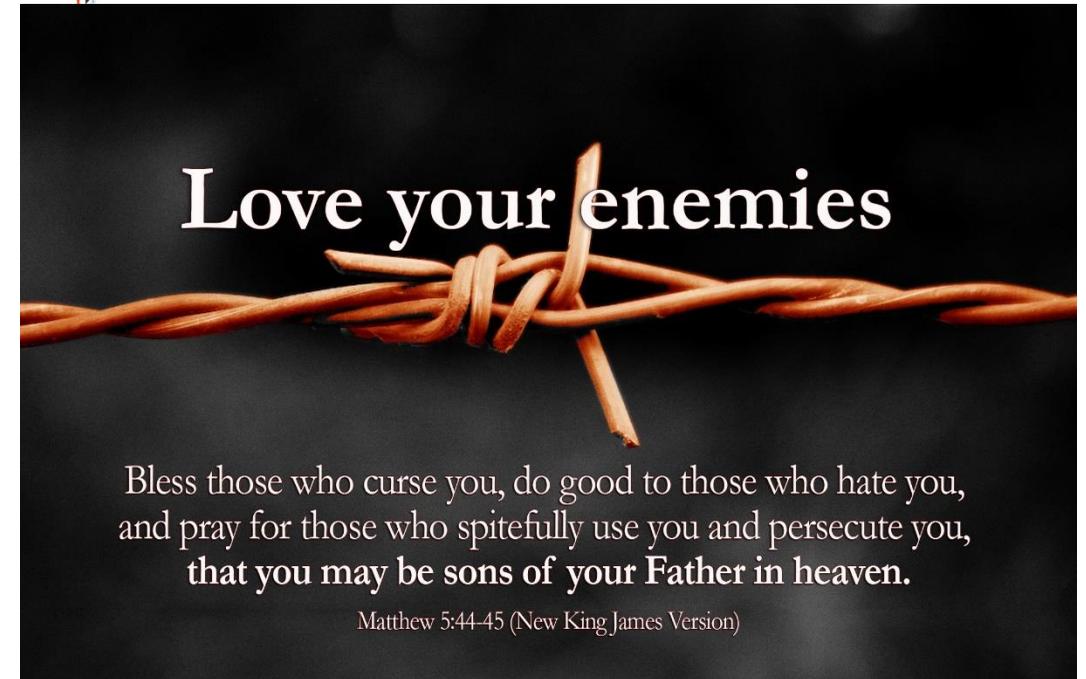
Website address: www.newjourneyumc.org

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NEW JOURNEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
302 Cedar St, Niles, MI 49120



If you are visiting with us today, we warmly welcome you! As United Methodists, we share a faith in God that is rooted in Compassion, Grace, and Love. If you are seeking to worship where reason, and faith join hands, where you can make a friend while you make a difference, we invite you to join us again to learn about and share the love of our Savior Jesus Christ!

September 5, 2021

EVY'S CLOSET WOMEN'S CLOTHING MINISTRY: is open Thursdays from 4 to 6 p.m. Donations can be made during office hours, Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Please call the church at 269-683-7250 to make an appointment for donations.

UMCOR: Will you give your pocket change to help feed the hungry? **When you place loose coins in the Offering Plate**, we send that money to the United Methodist Committee on Relief, to address the issues of poverty and hunger around the world. Even a few coins each week can make a difference in the lives of the poor. Please be generous! **Please keep in mind our credit union no longer accepts foreign currency.** We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

RECORD OF	August 29, 2021
Worship Attendance: 57 Zoom: 3	
Operating budget total operating income	\$153,166
Our weekly goal	\$2,946
General Fund Income this week	\$1,550
Year to Date General Fund Income	\$101,005
Year to Date budget goal: \$102,555	
% Of Year-to-Date budget goal: 101%	
Average Weekly General Fund Income	\$2,930
Mission Focus for August (month): Christian's Place Mission	\$625
UMCOR (month)	\$91

LITURGISTS:

- Sep 12 Patricia Ham – Grandparents Day
- Sep 19 Dee Rough
- Sep 26 UMW Sunday
- Oct 3 Sue Phillips (World Communion Sunday)
- Oct 10 Patricia Ham

MISSION FOR SEPTEMBER: UMCOR Global Refugee

This project of the United Committee on Relief addresses the global refugee and migration crisis. Every day, people are looking for safety and new places to call home. Every day, people are looking for hope and ways to rebuild their lives. Every day, we are called to welcome the stranger. From its origins in 1940, UMCOR has alleviated “suffering without regard to race or creed,” starting with the refugees displaced by World War II in Asia and Europe. Since that time, UMCOR has intentionally helped the most vulnerable of this world find hope. UMCOR partners with churches that assist migrants of all types with the right to stay, the right to safe passage, the right to welcome and the right to return with dignity. More than 25 global missionaries and Global Mission Fellows are engaged in migrant and refugee ministries around the world.

SERVING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

- Liturgist..... Tim Rogers
- UshersStarla Miller, John & Amy Wade & Jane Beck
- NurseryPam Montgomery
- Pianist.....Trey Matus
- Song Leader.....Brenda Engel
- IT/Sound Tech.....John Engel
- Video Techs..... Donna Medlin & Mike Kohler

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Liturgist.....	Patricia Ham
Ushers.....	Starla Miller, John & Amy Wade & Jane Beck
Nursery	Pam Montgomery
Song Leader	Brenda Engel
Pianist.....	Jennifer Bobelenyi
Organist/Joyful Ringers Director.....	Deb Litchfield
Communion Stewards (Oct. 3).....	John & Amy Wade

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME VISITORS! Thank you for giving us an opportunity to worship with you today. Our prayer is that together we might experience both God's love and presence. Our goal is to be a friendly, welcoming congregation and we trust that you will find us so. Please contact the pastor for more information about New Journey.

CHILD CARE: The Nursery, for babies and children through four years of age, is located in the educational wing just past the elevator, in Room 113. Baby changing tables are available in the narthex restroom, lower-level women's restroom and in the nursery.

THE HERBIE CLINIC: is open from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on the second Saturday of each month. Anyone without health insurance and 16 or older qualifies. You must have a permanent address and please bring a photo I.D. If you would like to volunteer to help at the clinic, call Dr. Sherry O'Donnell's office at (269) 408-1777. New Journey will gladly accept your monetary donations to support the HERBIE clinic and forward them to the organization.

CORRECTION: The newsletter had the Sunday School time incorrect. The time will be 8:50 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. Stay tuned for the start date. Books have been ordered. If you are interested in purchasing a book, please see Brenda.

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER LIST

Please review the Prayer List and notify the church office of any updates!

Cancer Patients

Julie McCready
Sharon Dircks
Patti Seidner (*Friend of Jim Gillispie*)
Julie Rice (*cousin of the Hams*)
Nancy Comfort
Earl Corak
John (*Cheryl McAtee's son-in-law*)
Elton Orpurt
Becky (*Kathy Scott's friend*)

Health Concerns

Sherry Hans (*Friend of Amy Wade*)
Nancy Rheinholt
Patrick Apple
Debbie Pingel
Kathy & Rob Di Addezio
Earl Nimtze
Dixie Pingel
Timmy (*Jennifer's son*)
Moonyean Quick
John Wade
Starla Miller
Patricia Ham
Janet & husband John (*friends of Pastor Rob and Kathe*)
Scott Schofield
Michael Lee (*Brenda Severeid's husband*)
Madelin Merkle
Jennifer Watts
Carol Noid
Valerie Wurn
Vivian Newgent
Anslie Rink-Scott (*Ernst's granddaughter*)
Marilyn Sheets
Marsha (*friend of Pam Montgomery*)
Mason Mitchell, Jr.
Kenny Earl (*Vicki's husband*)
Camille Hayden (*Nancy Comfort's Step-Mom*)
Tamra Binkley (*Laura Garner's friend*)
Don Hand

Pam (Ross) Todd
Chris Hay (*Niece to Jane Hefflin*)
Gail Peterson
Nancy White (*Pastor Rob's Aunt*)
Marion Eldred
Rose Aravena
Rex Dillman
Jack Scott

Sarah Merrill (*Vicki Earl's daughter*)
Imogene Orpurt
Judy Mark
Jason Pingel
Dennis Comfort
Avery & family (*friend of Bob Burton*)
Bob Burton
Janice Querry (*John Wade's sister*)
Mary Varner
Lucile Markel
Faith Ernst
Dave (*Ham's Nephew*)
Jaime Aravena (*Rose's husband*)
Ron Hartline
Nancy Watts
Mindy Corak
Bill Carter
Carole Fowler
Shannon Pollitt
Bonnie (*From Morris Chapel*)
Bonnie Garwood's father (*Ernst's daughter-in-law*)

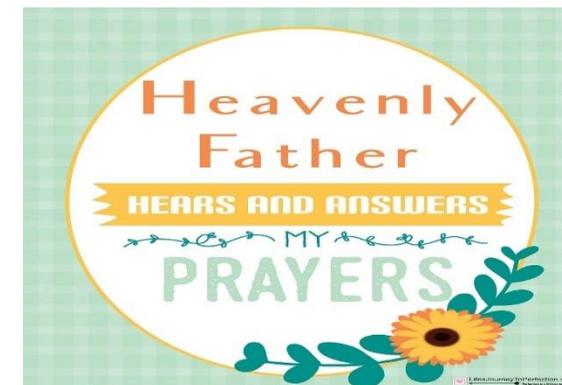
Doug Nie
Pat (*Jane's friend*)
Ron Lakes (*Sue's friend*)
Melanie & CJ (newly diabetic)
(*Kathy Scott's niece & son*)
Richard Ham

NEW JOURNEY CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER LIST

(Continued)

Prayers for Our Shut-ins: Marilyn Sheets, Evelyn Andrews, Lucile Markel, Dick Noble, Lynn Schweinzger, and Megan Vite.

Other Prayer Requests: Elton Orpurt's prison ministry and the prisoners to be able to continue their ministry despite restrictions; Kelsey Medlin asks for traveling mercies as she travels to her pharmacy rotations and she is happy to announce she will graduate in May 2022; our Nation; Youth across our nation; those being discriminated against around the world; Carole Fowler's grandson, Brennan (her daughter Jenn and son-in-law John's son) is having increasing difficulty with autism; Peace in the Middle East and safe withdrawal of U.S. troops and Afghanistan refugees; Prayers for Shannon as she recovers from her broken leg; Bill Carter as he recovers from knee surgery; Don Hand as he recovers from ankle surgery; Continued recovery for Starla Miller from neck surgery; Carol Noid's address is Buchanan Meadows, Room 25, 809 Carrol Street, Buchanan, MI 49107. Please call 269-695-6655 to make appointment to visit her; John Engel asks for prayers for a toe infection; Faith Ernst's brother-in-law, John suffered a stroke, but she gives thanks he is not paralyzed; Prayers for the H.E.R.B.I.E. Clinic to be able to reach more people; Prayers for medical personnel who are caring for Covid patients, facing difficult situations and even fear for their safety; Prayers for people who don't know God; Praises for people able to get together after not seeing each other for years; Nancy Comfort reports Dennis is at Healthwin and their son is back to teaching band in the Benton Harbor School System; prayers for Dr. Sherry O'Donnell and medical team who went to Haiti to assist in treating earthquake and hurricane victims; prayers for Dr. Glenn Chapman from Center[ed] on Wellness retiring at the end of September; Prayers for New Orleans and surrounding areas impacted by hurricane Ida; Prayers for families of military personnel who died in Afghanistan; Prayers for Pastor Brian as he starts school this semester.





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