

PLEASE LET US KNOW...If you or someone you know is ill or in the hospital, let the church office know so that we can help in their healing process through our prayers, visits, etc. Thank you!

PRAYER CONCERNS: Doug Nemeth (son of Dot & Zollie Nemeth), John Chwastyk, Mary Raroha, John & Catharine Carty, Pati Anne Feeley (daughter-in-law of Jan & Jack Feeley), Nancy Gager (Paul Gager's sister), Emmy Cahilly (11 yr. old niece of Shelly & Greg Kinkaid), Madison Luyber - her parents, Julie and Tony (friends of the Bewleys), Dan LaFon, Donna Lasoski, Walter Colby (brother-in-law of Jan & Jack Feeley), Jon King (Lisa Kulp's brother), Linda Wanagas' friend Bern and her father Thomas Alessio, Heather Oman (niece of The Youse/Mack Family), Richard Thompson (brother of Doris Gager), Joe DeCesare (friend of Joyce Scheyhing), Bill (father-in-law of Sandra Handel's son), Jim & Sherry Heller and family (son of Carol Heller), Linda Wanagas, Tina Tesch (niece of Linda Wanagas), Penny McClellan (cousin of Linda Wanagas), Marion & Hugh Hamilton.

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

11:00 A.M. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

Both services are live streamed on Facebook and YouTube

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A UNITED METHODIST COMMUNITY
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*"A community of faith committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ
with a hurting world through words and actions."*



AUGUST 8, 2021

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

A Joyful Ring
Adult Handbell Choir

Kinyon

WELCOME

Pastor Gina

***OPENING HYMN 139**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor Gina

Leader: For rebirth and resilience,

People: Blessed be God;

Leader: For the spiritually humble,

People: Glory to God, hallelujah;

Leader: For all who hunger and thirst for justice,

People: Praise him and magnify the Lord forever;

Leader: For all who dare greatly through much difficulty,

People: Blessed be God;

Leader: For all who triumph over their bitter circumstance,

People: Glory to God, hallelujah;

Leader: For all who risk reputation, livelihood, and life itself for Christ's sake and the Gospel;

People: All praise and all glory for this is God's kingdom! Let us worship the Lord!

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor Gina

Surprising and persistent God, you never give up on us. You seek us, call us, beckon us. We cannot escape from your yearning for us, and only when we turn to you do we find the joy of life, the reason for living, the ever flowing fountain of joy. In every season of our lives, help us turn towards you. We thank you for your amazing grace that surprises us, comforts us, and renews us. Give us hearts of gratitude and forever let us sing your praises. Amen.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH AND SONG #77**

Pastor Gina

In defiance of corruption and falsehood,

We commit to truth and integrity and we pray for honesty and uprightness to increase in our world

In defiance of apathy and hatred,

We choose to be proactive in love and we pray for understanding and peace to increase in our world.

In defiance of skepticism and cynicism,

We embrace the mystery of faith and we pray for humility and wonder to increase in our world.

In defiance of self-interest and human arrogance,

We celebrate God’s salvation and we pray for compassion and faith to increase in our world.

In defiance of all that would oppose God’s purpose among us,

We choose again to follow Christ, and we continue to pray, not just now, but at all times. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI 70**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

TIME OF SHARING WITH THE PASTORS

Pastors Gina & Jess

YOUNG DISCIPLE’S TIME

Pastor Gina

Kids of all ages are invited forward for a fun learning time in person & virtually.

CALL TO PRAYER 143

On Eagle’s Wings

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Jess

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.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Meditation in F
Adult Handbell Choir

Helman

CELEBRATING OUR GIFTS FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY

Pastor Gina

We welcome all who worship with us this morning. We ask you to prayerfully consider giving generously to support the ministries of FUMC and the communities we serve for Christ. You can place your offering and the Attendance Card including any special prayer requests you may have in the offering baskets located in the worship space or send them to church@meetwithGod.com.

HYMN OF PREPARATION 130 God Will Take Care of You

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 50:16-21 NRSV

Pastor Gina

¹⁶ So they approached Joseph, saying, “Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷ ‘Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.’ Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.” Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸ Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, “We are here as your slaves.” ¹⁹ But Joseph said to them, “Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? ²⁰ Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹ So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.” In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

MESSAGE

Daring Greatly: Joseph and the Goodness of God

Pastor Jess

***CLOSING HYMN 507**

Through It All

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Jess

***POSTLUDE**

***THE PEOPLE STAND**