



United Methodist Church of Antioch

10th Sunday after Pentecost

Aug 6, 2023

PRELUDE

This is Amazing Grace

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today	Communion Sunday Worship, 9:15am AA 8-9pm/White Rm
Mon, Aug 7	AA, 10-11am; 8-9pm/White Room Quilters 9-12pm/Green Rm Nominations Mtg 4pm/Wesley Hall
Tues, Aug 8	AA 6-7pm/White Room
Wed, Aug 9	AA 10-11am; 8-9pm/White Rm Church Council 6:30pm/Wesley Hall
Thurs, Aug 10	AA 6-7pm/White Rm
Fri, Aug 11	AA 10-11am; 6:30-7:30pm; 8:30-9:30pm
Sat, Aug 12	AA 6-7pm/White Rm Kids Above All 9:30am-11:30am/ Des Plaines
Sun, Aug 13	Worship, 9:15am UMCAP Board Mtg 10:30am AA 8-9pm/White Rm

~Please note, the worship service is recorded and streamed to the internet.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-UMM mark your calendars for a 2023 Spiritual Congress on Sept 15-17. Methodist men of all ages are urged to join us at our annual gathering on beautiful Lake Geneva. Come for one day or stay the entire weekend! Prepare to be invigorated and inspired as we focus on Relevant Conversations. Our guest speaker will be Major General John L. Borling, USAF (Ret.), a highly decorated veteran who spent more than six years as a POW in North Vietnam. MG Borling is the author of *Taps on the Walls: Poems from the Hanoi Hilton*. Don't miss this opportunity to relax, worship, be inspired, reconnect with old friends, and make new ones. All food, beverages, overnight accommodations, and program materials are included in your registration. Registration is open at www.nicummm.org. Contact Craig at craigscottmcgregor@gmail.com with any questions.

-On Wed, Sept 6, the United Women in Faith will be presenting a program/seminar from AAHAA (Antioch Area Healthcare Accessibility Alliance), a referral source and assistive not-for-profit organization for the public that includes local food pantries, doctors, Medicare/medical insurance questions, school physical information, in-home help, Network nurses, utilities/rent help, senior assistance, non-judgmental help with addictions, and many other applications. The representatives/presenters of the seminar are Colleen Lennon, Executive Director and Stephanie Young, Program Director. Please join us in Wesley Hall at 1:15 p.m. for an informative, helpful means of finding appropriate and needed resources.

MISSION STATEMENT (Unison)

The mission of the United Methodist Church of Antioch is to grow in faith, to worship God following the teachings of Jesus Christ, and to be instruments of God's love through the Holy Spirit as we reach out to our community and the world.

** Invites you to stand as you are able or to sit with gusto!*

WE ARE WELCOMED TO WORSHIP

L: As we gather this morning, so many things are on our minds. All of our commitments, all the things we have to do, all of the people to whom we've promised our time.

P: **We are drawn in so many different directions, it can be hard to keep our word, to do what we've said we would do. How can God keep God's promises all of the time to all of the people?!?**

L: Breaking promises is what we are most familiar with in this world. It is all we can imagine.

P: **But God is bigger and more powerful than we are. God is never distracted by the unimportant.**

L: Where we really find ourselves in a bind is where we have to choose between the good things of the world, when we've made commitments to multiple people or good organizations.

P: **God deserves our ultimate devotion. Today we will see the rainbow as a reminder that God keeps God's promises and use that to stir us to a renewed commitment to keep our commitment to God.**

***OPENING PRAYER (Unison):**

God, Keeper of Covenants, we pause in all the noise that has the potential to drown you out to listen for your voice. Use this time today to be loud enough – in our ears, in our heads, in our hearts – to communicate to us in ways we can understand. Reassure us that your voice still speaks, that you still save, that your promises are still sure. Remind us that the test of sound theology is “Does it help us love you and our neighbors better than we did before?” Amen.

CHILDREN’S TIME

HYMN Black Hymnal #2070

Healer of Our Every Ill

WE ASK FOR UNDERSTANDING

Almighty God, we come to you today, knowing that you enjoy fun and joy. Help us to learn something in a new way today. Use the childlike to help us understand your Word. Amen.

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

-Genesis 9:12-17

God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the

covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

L: The word of God for the people of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

REFLECTION

Sound Theology

Rev. Katie Voigt

SPECIAL MUSIC

Rebecca Reckamp

MORNING PRAYERS

Joys/Concerns

Confession & Pardon

Let us together, confess our sins to God.

Lord Jesus, we confess that we have not kept our word, that we have broken our promises. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have wandered in our own directions, we have done our own thing because it was easier and took less thought than hearing your correction and changing our plans. Free us, O Lord, from all these distractions. Focus our minds and hearts, our words and actions on you and your purposes for the world.

God sets for us an example of one who keeps promises. The sign of the rainbow in the sky was the promise to never destroy the earth and all that lived on it through a flood ever again. When we see that sign, we are reassured of God’s faithfulness in keeping promises. Hear the good news: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. That proves God’s love for us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

Silent Prayer
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.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Musical Setting A, p.1 in the UM Hymnal

COMMUNION HYMNS

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| #640 | <i>Take Our Bread</i> |
| #641 | <i>Fill My Cup, Lord</i> |
| #636 | <i>Christian People, Raise Your Song</i> |

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Lord, may our understanding of you be shaped by the gifts you offer at your table. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Blessed Assurance

***DOXOLOGY #95**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

WE DEDICATE OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Oh God of Play and Fun, we know that you have gifted us generously and want us to enjoy the world you created.

Today we return some of those gifts back to you for your work and your will in the world. Multiply what we offer so that your Good News is shared beyond these walls and into our communities. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN #117**

O God, Our Help in Ages Past vs. 1,2,4,5

***WE GO FORTH WITH BLESSING**

L: We will work on sharing sound theology out in the world.

P: **When we share God's Good News, people find comfort and hope!**

L: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

P: **And also, with you. Amen.**

***POSTLUDE**

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Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.