



# United Methodist Church of Antioch

11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Aug 13, 2023

## PRELUDE

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today	Worship, 9:15am UMCAP Board Mtg 10:30am/ All Saints Room AA 8-9pm/White Rm
Mon, Aug 14	AA, 10-11am; 8-9pm/White Room
Tues, Aug 15	AA 6-7pm/White Room Office Hours 10am-2:30pm
Wed, Aug 16	AA 10-11am; 8-9pm/White Rm Trustees Mtg 6:30pm/Wesley Hall
Thurs, Aug 17	AA 6-7pm/White Rm
Fri, Aug 18	AA 10-11am; 6:30-7:30pm; 8:30- 9:30pm
Sat, Aug 19	Gardening 9am, UMCA AA 6-7pm/White Rm
Sun, Aug 20	Worship, 9:15am AA 8-9pm/White Rm

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

-Thank you to everyone who donated food & clothing items to The Midwest Veterans Closet in North Chicago. Janet & I delivered the donations, which were well received. Thanks for helping a Veteran in need. Additional donations were graciously dropped off by Dick Paddock. Thanks to everyone! Dan & Janet Fluck with Missions Committee

-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](http://www.nicummm.org). Contact Craig at [craigscottmcgregor@gmail.com](mailto:craigscottmcgregor@gmail.com) with any questions.

-Thank you to everyone who donated towards the handbells. All necessary funds were raised, and Debbie was able to pick them up this past week!

-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.

- **Fall NIC Book Club** Register now for this fall's groups that will be reading and discussing *Living Our Beliefs: The United Methodist Way*, by retired UMC Bishop Kenneth L. Carder. Starting in September, groups will meet throughout the conference, via Zoom, in person, and hybrid for five to six weeks. Learn more, find a listing of group options, and register at <https://www.umcnic.org/Discipleship/NICBookClub>

- **Prayer Network** – Join the NIC Discipleship Taskforce in Prayer on the Prayer Network page. This guide unites conference members in praying for churches, pastors, district, and conference leadership, and Advance ministries. and provides a devotional for the month. Learn more at <https://www.umcnic.org/prayernetwork>

## 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: We expect that the usual will continue to be. One week flows into the next and our lives keep on.

**P: And then one day, the unexpected happens and our lives are changed forever. Sometimes the unexpected is a happy circumstance and sometimes it is tragic.**

L: God loves us in the midst of the expected and the unexpected. God will use us in ways that we anticipate and in ways that we never would.

**P: That means we need to be open to God using us in unexpected ways. When the Holy Spirit stirs in us to do something that makes us a little scared, the next voice we hear should be the Scriptural voice, "Do not be afraid."**

L: God will use any part of our life that we are willing to offer. If we offer all of ourselves to God for God's purposes, how amazing would this world be?!

**P: That is our goal. This morning, as we worship, we will try to offer more of who we are to the God who loves us and who has never underestimated us.**

**\*HYMN**

*I Will Sing of the Mercies*

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,

I will sing, I will sing,

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.

With my mouth will I make known

Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness,

With my mouth will I make known

Thy faithfulness to all generations,

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.

*From <https://hymnary.org/hymn/HPP2007/44>*

**\*OPENING PRAYER (Unison):**

**O Christ of our Salvation, you have given us the most amazing gift we can ever imagine. When God raised you from the dead, we were given new life, and people learned never to underestimate you! Help us not to underestimate you, each other, or ourselves. With you as our strength, we are powerful beyond measure. Amen.**

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

**HYMN Red Hymnal #396**

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*

## **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**

-1 Samuel 17:1-10, 32-37, 40-50

Now the Philistines gathered their armies for battle; they were gathered at Socoh, which belongs to Judah, and encamped between Socoh and Azekah, in Ephes-dammim. Saul and the Israelites gathered and encamped in the valley of Elah, and formed ranks against the Philistines. The Philistines stood on the mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on the mountain on the other side, with a valley between them. And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail; the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze. He had greaves of bronze on his legs and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders. The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron; and his shield-bearer went before him. He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, "Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants; but if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us." And the Philistine said, "Today I defy the ranks of Israel! Give me a man, that we may fight together." David said to Saul, "Let no one's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine." Saul said to David,

“You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his youth.” But David said to Saul, “Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear came, and took a lamb from the flock, I went after it and struck it down, rescuing the lamb from its mouth; and if it turned against me, I would catch it by the jaw, strike it down, and kill it. Your servant has killed both lions and bears; and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, since he has defied the armies of the living God.” David said, “The Lord, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine.” So Saul said to David, “Go, and may the Lord be with you!”

Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd’s bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine. The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. When the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. The Philistine said to David, “Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?” And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. The Philistine said to David, “Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the field.” But David said to the Philistine, “You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This very day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head; and I will give the dead bodies of the Philistine army this very day to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth, so that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, and that all this

assembly may know that the Lord does not save by sword and spear; for the battle is the Lord's and he will give you into our hand."

When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground. So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone, striking down the Philistine and killing him; there was no sword in David's hand.

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

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**REFLECTION**

Don't Underestimate

Rev. Katie Voigt

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

Solo: Nikki Georgia

*How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

**MORNING PRAYERS**

**Joys/Concerns**

**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.**

## **OFFERTORY**

*He Hideth My Soul*

## **\*DOXOLOGY #95**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

## **WE DEDICATE OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

**If David can show up and do battle with Goliath when all others were scared, we can surely do what you ask of us here in Antioch and the communities where we live and work. Use us and the offering we have shared today to reach out beyond these walls to connect with those who have no other connection to you, O Christ. Help us to build bridges, never underestimating what we can do together. Amen.**

## **\*CLOSING HYMN #529**

*How Firm a Foundation*

**\*WE GO FORTH WITH BLESSING**

L: We will trust in God to provide whatever strength we need, no matter how the situation looks.

**P: We will follow God's instruction to care for God's people in the world.**

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**

*Linus and Lucy*

*Red* indicates "The United Methodist Hymnal"

*Black* indicates "The Faith We Sing"

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**Worship Leadership: Sundays 9:15am**

	<b>Today</b>	<b>August 20</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	Wayne Buck Carol Dunn	Ken Graesser Dan Fluck
<b>Ushers</b>	Irv Metz	Dawn Vogel
<b>Soundboard</b>	Isaac Platzbecker	Mike Lapke
<b>Liturgists</b>	Margaret Zaller	Mike D.
<b>Coffee Servers</b>	Linda Hensgen Vi Kluth Carol Frazier	Nikki & Phil G. Pat & Irv M.
<b>Church Openers</b>	Irv Metz	Cichonskis

**Worship Attendance/Giving for Sunday August 6, 2023**

9:15am -84

General Fund: \$6,407

Building: \$700

UVC: \$75

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Send info to [editorumca@att.net](mailto:editorumca@att.net) in Word doc or body of email.

Next deadline is August 15<sup>th</sup> for the September newsletter.

*Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.*