



United Methodist Church of Antioch

15th Sunday after Pentecost

September 1, 2024

PRELUDE

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sun, Sept. 1 Worship 9:15am
Confirmation Class 3-4pm/Wesley Hall
AA 8-9pm/White Rm 102
- Mon, Sept. 2 Labor Day- Office Closed/No UMCAP
AA 8-9pm/White Rm 102
- Tues, Sept. 3 AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102
Bible Study 6:30pm/Wesley Hall
- Wed, Sept. 4 UWF Lunch 11:45am/Wesley Hall
AA 8pm-9pm/White Rm 102
- Thurs, Sept. 5 Golden Gems Mtg 10-11:30am/Kitchen
AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102
- Fri, Sept. 6 AA 6:30-7:30pm/White Rm 102
- Sat, Sept. 7 Feed My Starving Children 2-3:45pm/UMCA
and Libertyville
AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102
- Sun, Sept. 8 Worship 8am & 10:30am
Choir/Sunday School 9:15am
Confirmation Class 3-4pm/Wesley Hall
AA 8-9pm/White Rm 102

~Please note, the worship service is recorded and streamed to the internet, and there are large print bulletins and Bibles available. See an usher if you would like one. Additionally, there are handicap accessible restrooms located in Wesley Hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-**Next Sunday**, Sept. 8th, we return to the following Fall/Winter worship schedule – 8am Worship; 9:15am Choir/Sunday School; 10:30am Worship.

-Thank you to everyone who helped make posters, set up on Saturday and clean up on Sunday, to those who made food, or even if you just stayed to eat – all of you helped to make the International Potluck a great time! We really appreciate all the efforts that went into planning!

-Volunteers are needed from both services to help with our Prayer Card Ministry. This is an extremely valuable ministry of our church and a special thank you to Carleen Wurster for handling this important responsibility for nearly 30 years! Please contact Nancy Rae at 847-226-7794 (leave message) for more information.

-Missions Cmte August Focus: Open Arms Back to School. Thank you for your gift card donations, and thank you for the continued donations of food and personal products. Donations are still coming in, we will have an official total soon!

-UWF: The summer is almost over and UWF will meet in Wesley Hall on Wednesday, September 4th. “Bring your own lunch” starts at 11:45am and the meeting begins at 12:15pm. All women of UMCA are invited to attend for fellowship and ideas for the slate of officers.

-Feed My Starving Children: Saturday, Sept 7th, from 2 – 3:45pm. We will meet and/or caravan to Feed My Starving Children at 742 East Park Ave, Libertyville, IL 60048. There is a sign-up sheet in Wesley Hall. There are jobs for all, including labeling which requires sitting with gusto! Learn more about FMSC at <https://www.fmsc.org>. ***Today is the last day to sign up!***

-The NICUMM is inviting the men in our congregation to the 2024 Spiritual Congress on September 13th-15th at Conference Point in Williams Bay, WI. The theme is “A Thousand Roads-Every Man’s Journey of Faith.” Register and see more details at www.nicum.org. **Register by September 6th** if you would like to attend. If you have any questions, see Ken Graesser.

-Save the date! 2024 Prairie Central Fall Lay Academy is back! On Saturdays, November 2nd and 9th from 8:30am-4:30pm. Each class is \$40 and includes materials, breakfasts, lunches, snacks, and beverages. There are 3 classes available: “Spiritual Gifts”, “Polity”, and “Ministry with the Forgotten: Dementia Through a Spiritual Lens.” For more information visit: <https://www.umcnic.org/calendar/prairie-central-lay-academy-fall-2024>

-Save the Date: CROP Walk is coming on Oct 27th! See Walt Cichonski for more details and ask how you can get involved.

-The Resale Table is looking for fall decorations, please let Judy Degand, Jane Buck, Sue Antonelli, or Carol Cichonski know. We'll be happy to help get your donations to church.

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 (Responsively)**

L: The world shows us all sorts of ways to behave.

P: Jesus doesn’t always think a lot of those ways of behaving.

L: As Christians, we are called to a higher standard.

P: Our gratitude inspires us to love and serve like Jesus.

***HYMN Black Hymnal #2158**

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

***OPENING PRAYER (Unison)**

God of good direction, we thank you that you never give up on us. When it seems like we are doing our own thing or going in our own direction, you reach out and call us back. Help us to learn how you would choose for us to interact with one another, and with you. Help us to live like Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN Red Hymnal #356 *When We Are Living*

WE ASK FOR UNDERSTANDING (Unison)

Holy One, we thank you for giving us good teaching to follow. Open our eyes and our ears this day to seek after what is new and life-giving for us. As the Scripture is read and proclaimed this day, bless the reading and hearing of your teaching. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS – James 1:17-27

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger

does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

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

P: Thanks be to God.

REFLECTION

Tips for Living

Rev. Katie Voigt

SPECIAL MUSIC

I Found the Answer

Rebecca Reckamp

MORNING PRAYERS

Joys/Concerns

Confession & Pardon

Let us together, confess our sins to God.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have

broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward 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 (Unison)

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

Hymns Sung During Receiving

#640 *Take Our Bread*

#2265 *Time Now to Gather*

#2268 *As We Gather at Your Table*

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING (Unison)

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. We welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save our souls. 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 *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

***DOXOLOGY #95**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***WE DEDICATE OUR GIFTS TO GOD (Unison)**

All Glorious God, we thank you for blessing us with something to share. As we offer our gifts today, we pray that you would use whatever we bring – our time, our money, our talents – and multiply them for your purposes. Whether we have put them in an offering plate here, or made an electronic transfer from our bank, or even if we shared our resources out on the street, we ask that these would be a blessing for the people you love. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN Red Hymnal #569**

We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

***WE GO FORTH WITH BLESSING (Responsively)**

L: The Scriptures call us to live out our faith.

P: **We will be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive ourselves.**

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** *O Worship the King*

Red indicates “The United Methodist Hymnal”

Black indicates “The Faith We Sing”

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Worship Attendance/Giving for Sunday August 25, 2024

9:15am- 90

General Fund: \$3,192

Missions: \$26.37

Building: \$415

Raccoon: \$20

UMCAP: \$345

Boiler: \$100

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

September 1

September 8

Greeters

8:00am

Jane Buck

Anne Dickson

10:30am

Nancy Rae

Ushers

8:00am

Wayne Buck

Dawn Vogel

10:30am

Jerry Topcik

Soundboard

8:00am

Mike Lapke

Walt Cichonski

10:30am

Isaac Platzbecker

Liturgists

8:00am

Denny Sathoff

Leta Sathoff

10:30am

Sue DeRoche

Coffee Servers

8:00am

Jean Haling

Mary Geier

Nancy Zitkus

Irv Metz

10:30am

Caroline Adams

Betty Collins

Church Openers

Shelby Wais

Sathoff Family

Communion

Nancy Rae

Stewards

Nancy Colby

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Please Note:

Deadline for the Newsletter is the 15th of each month-for the FOLLOWING month Send info in Word doc or body of email to editorumca@gmail.com

Next deadline is September 15th for the October newsletter.

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.