United Methodist Church of Antioch

15th Sunday after Pentecost

September 9, 2026

PRELUDE *Pass It On*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun, Sep. 6	Church Chat 8:15am
	Worship 9:15am
	AA 8-9pm/White Rm 102
Mon, Sep. 7	**Office Closed- Labor Day**
	Quilting 9a-12pm/Green Rm 104
	AA 6-7pm & 8-9pm/White Rm 102
Tues, Sep. 8	Uncomfortable Book Club 10-11am
	-Antioch Public Library, Spiering Room
	CROP Walk Mtg. 3pm/Kitchen
	Bible Study 4pm/Wesley Hall
	AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102
Wed, Sep. 9	PADS Lunch Making 11am/Kitchen
	Private Mtg. 11am/All Saints Room
	AA 6-7pm & 8-9pm/White Rm 102
Thurs, Sep. 10	Golden Gems Luncheon 11:30am
	AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102
Fri, Sep. 11	AA 6:30-7:30pm & 8-9pm/White Rm 102
Sat, Sep. 12	AA 8-9am & 6-7pm/White Rm 102
Sun, Sep. 13	Worship 8am & 10:30am
	Choir/Sunday School/Church Chat 9:15am
	AA 8-9pm/White Rm 102

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-One week from today, on Sept. 13th, we return to our Fall/Winter worship schedule – 8am Worship; 9:15am Choir/Sunday School/Church Chat; 10:30am Worship; 11:45am Handbells (1st and 3rd Sundays of the month)

-Join St. Ignatius and UMCA in "The Uncomfortable Book Club" at the Antioch Public Library! It will be every other Tuesday from 10-11am starting September 8th – December 15th. They will be reading, "Poverty, By America" by Matthew Desmond. See the flyer on the table in Wesley Hall for more details.

-You are invited to join the Northern IL Conference **Faithful Action** on Sunday, September 13th at noon in front of the church. The purpose is to bear witness to God's commandment to "love your neighbor as yourself" and acknowledge the humanity and dignity of our immigrant siblings. Gather with us for a time of prayer, singing, and reflection. Signs are welcome and should reflect our UM values. Seating is available, but please request it in advance if possible. For more information, or if you're interested in helping with set up or reading, contact Nikki Georgia.

-Pack a lunch, eat a lunch! PADS lunch packing will be on Sept. 9th at 11am. We will make extra lunches to eat together afterward.

-Today is the first day to sign up to walk or sponsor a walker for the Northern Lake County CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday 10/11/26! Please see the volunteers in Wesley Hall to sign up or ask questions. Thank you in advance for making this year's Walk a success! We couldn't do it without you!

-The Christian Wellness Ministry will be hosting a flu and covid vaccine clinic again this year! Please bring your insurance/Medicare/Medicaid card to the clinic on Oct. 3rd from 10am to 12pm in Wesley Hall. Please sign up ahead of time so that we have enough vaccines on hand. Walgreens will charge your insurance for the cost of the vaccine; there is no administration fee. All participants should be 18yrs or older. Persons 65yrs and older will receive the high dose flu vaccine. You may choose to receive both vaccines that morning; one in each arm. If you have any questions, please contact Carol Frazier.

-If you are interested in submitting an uncommon fact or tidbit for "Who's Who," forms are on the table in Wesley Hall!

-The Lake County Human Trafficking Task Force is hosting their 2026 Annual Open Task Force Meeting. Join professionals from across Lake County for a day of learning, collaboration, and candid conversation about the issues of Human Trafficking in our world. This is a free event on September 24 from 9am-4pm at the College of Lake County Grayslake Campus, but registration is required. For more information, please see the flyer on the table in Wesley Hall.

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: Last week we talked about how we need to walk in love.
P: That seems like enough.
L: This week the sermon title is "Share the love."
P: It does feel like the pastor goes just one bridge too far sometimes, doesn't it?
L: It is like we are called to the live out the love God first shares with us.
P: We guess, if God shared it with us, we can share it with others.

***HYMN Green Hymnal #3177** *Here I Am to Worship*

Light of the world,
you stepped down into darkness,
opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore you,
hope of a life spent with you.

Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,
here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days,
O so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above.
Humbly you came to the earth created,
all for love's sake became poor.

Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,
here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
altogether wonderful to me.

And I'll never know how much it cost
to see my sin upon that cross. (4x)

Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,
here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
altogether wonderful to me.

***OPENING PRAYER (Unison)**
God, you share so much with us. You have given us love, mercy, forgiveness, and hope. Your presence each day of our lives reminds us that we are never alone. As we put aside the things of the world to focus on you for a while, show us how we can help others find rest in you, as well. In Christ's Holy Name we pray. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN Red Hymnal #377 *It is Well with My Soul*

WE ASK FOR UNDERSTANDING (Unison)
Almighty God, we come this morning to focus on some of the less read books of the Bible. We know that there are still good teachings in them, but we don't know much about them and we aren't sure we always like what we hear. Open us to hear your teaching, your challenge, your comfort, and your reminders in our lesson for today. In Christ's holy name we pray. Amen.

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS– 3 John 2-8

Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, just as it is well with your soul. For I was overjoyed when some brothers and sisters arrived and testified to your faithfulness to the truth, how you walk in the truth. I have no greater joy than this, to hear that my children are walking in the truth.

Beloved, you do faithfully whatever you do for the brothers and sisters, even though they are strangers to you; they have testified to your love before the church. You will do

well to send them on in a manner worthy of God, for they began their journey for the sake of Christ, accepting no support from nonbelievers. Therefore we ought to support such people, so that we may become coworkers with the truth.

L: The word of God for the people of God.
P: Thanks be to God.

REFLECTION Rev. Katie Voigt
Books I've Not Preached on Before: Share the Love

SPECIAL MUSIC *O Protector of My Soul*
Ardy Lange, vocal solo
Nathan Fey, guitar accompaniment

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

#2268 *As We Gather at Your Table*

#2269 *Come, Share the Lord*

#2260 *Let Us Be Bread*

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Let our every word and deed be an act of love. 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 *Jesus, Name Above All Names*

Ardy Lange, vocal solo

***DOXOLOGY #95**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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

Reconciling God, you mark our lives not with fear, but with mercy, and you gather us into a people shaped by grace. As you delivered your children at Passover and taught your church to seek peace with one another, teach us to live in our "church clothes" every day – clothed in patience, truth, and love. Receive these gifts as signs of our trust in your saving power and our commitment to your work of healing, love, and restoration. Use what we offer to mend what is broken, welcome those who feel outside, and build a community where forgiveness and hope have the final word. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN Red Hymnal #89**

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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

L: We will walk in the truth of Jesus Christ.

P: We will live our lives in a manner worthy of God.

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** *Shine, Jesus, Shine*

Red indicates "The United Methodist Hymnal"
Black indicates "The Faith We Sing"
Green indicates "Worship and Song"
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"Who's Who" fact for Sep. 6th:

I was a helicopter mechanic and served in Vietnam 1969-70

Worship Attendance/Giving for Sunday
August 30, 2026

9:15am- 66

General Fund: $2,020.09	Missions: $25.31
Building: $218	UMCOR Disaster Response: $20
Air Conditioning: $50	Youth Mission Fund: $366.29
	UVC: $121

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

	September 6	**September 13**
Greeters		
9:15am	Nancy Rae	**8:00am-** Wayne Buck
		10:30am- Susan Stansfield
Ushers		
9:15am	Wayne Buck	**8:00am-** Jake Young
		10:30am- Jerry Topcik
Soundboard		
9:15am	Phil Georgia	**8:00am-** Walt Cichonski
		10:30am- Isaac Platzbecker
Liturgists		
9:15am	Joanne Rae	**8:00am-** Dick Schlake
		10:30am- Carol Dunn
Coffee Servers		
9:15am	Carol &	**8:00am-** Pat Metz
	Walt Cichonski	Dawn Vogel
	Margaret Zaller	**10:30am-** Cheryl Collins
		Hayley & Ricky Lane
Openers	Rae Family	Cichonski Family
Prayer Card		
9:15am	Shelby Wais	**8:00am- (Needed)**
		10:30am- (Needed)
Communion		
9:15am	Joanna &	----------
	Rick Carlberg	

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