

***Fairview United Methodist Church
Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost
September 10, 2023***



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11:00 A.M.

*Please rise as you are able or in your hearts.

**Let us take this time to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for
worship.

****PRELUDE**

“Song of Hope”

Thomas Chesterton

WELCOME AND WORDS OF COMMUNITY

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come out of the darkness of despair into the brightness of God’s transforming love.

People: We praise God for God’s presence with us!

Leader: Prepare your hearts and spirits to receive God’s mercy and healing.

People: We thank God for God’s mercy toward us.

Leader: Come, let us praise and worship God who is always with us.

People: Thanks be to God at all times and in all places.

ALL: AMEN.

***GATHERING HYMN**

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” UMH # 384

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

“The Apostles Creed”

UMH # 881

***GLORIA PATRI**

“Glory Be to the Father”

UMH # 70

CHOIR ANTHEM

“With a Voice of Singing”

Martin Shaw
Chancel Choir

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER CHORUS

“Cares Chorus”

TFWS # 2215

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: Forgiving and loving God, our hearts are filled today with pain and concern for the future of humankind. Words of anger assail our airways – we cannot escape from the threats being thrown about. In our fear, we cry “Where are you, O Lord?” We wander around in the darkness of the spirit, seeking light and hope. Forgive us when we forget that you are always with us, through times of peace and times of war. Heal our souls. Help us to reach out to others with the assurance of your love and presence, for we ask this in Jesus’ name. AMEN.

PRAYERS OF PETITION

After each petition, we enter into the prayer together with these words:

Pastor: Lord in Your mercy,

People: Hear our 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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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.

***HYMN OF PROCLAMATION**

“Lead Me, Lord”

UMH # 473

***SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Romans 13:8-14

SERMON

The End of Night

Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL

OFFERTORY

“Be Thou My Vision” Edward Broughton

***DOXOLOGY** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH # 94

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***SENDING HYMN**

“They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love” TFWS # 2223

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“The Harvest Trumpet”

David Paxton

ACTIVITIES - SEPT. 11 - SEPT. 17

Monday, September 11

Pantry 9:00 A.M.

Wednesday, September 13

Pantry 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

Thursday, September 14

Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:15 P.M.

Friday, September 15

Pantry 9:00 A.M.

Sunday, September 17

Adult Sunday School 9:45 A.M.

Worship Service 11:00 A.M.

TODAY'S SERVANT LEADERS

Worship Leader

Judith Mathes

Greeter

Debbie Arnold

Trustee

Dave Puderbaugh

Toddler Room Assistant

Bertha Messer

VAN DRIVER FOR SEPTEMBER 17

Van Request: Art-- 937- 279-0650

To ride the van, you must make your request the day before or you will not be picked up!

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Exodus 14:19-31

Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21

Romans 14:1-12

Matthew 18:21-35

Pastor

Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL

Administrative Assistant

Carol McDougale

Director of Music

Carol Chatfield

Church Musician

Michele Delduca

Treasurer

Fred Poland

Pantry Resource

Coordinator

Donna McCoy

Audio Visual Technician

Roger Christian

Toddler Room Attendant

Brooklyn Messer

Building Maintenance

Nelson Clair



PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayer ministry after worship each Sunday. For those who have special prayer requests, please see someone from the Prayer Ministry in the Narthex.