

FAIRVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Stewardship Sunday

November 9, 2025

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

Morning Prayer

J. Edwards

WELCOME AND WORDS OF COMMUNITY

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Take courage, people of God! For the Lord Almighty is with us.

People: Though we see rubble and ruins, God is building something new.

Leader: The silver is Mine, the gold is Mine, declares the Lord.

People: All that we have belongs to God, entrusted to our care.

Leader: The glory of this present house will be greater than the glory of the former house.

People: We believe God's future is greater than our past.

Leader: In this place God will grant peace.

People: We will give, serve, and worship with joy.

All: Amen.

CHORAL AMEN

*GATHERING HYMN

Rise Up, O Men of God

UMH # 576

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

An Affirmation of Faith for Stewardship Sunday

by Rev. E. Neil Gaiser

We believe in God Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, the Giver of every good gift, whose silver and gold are His, and whose glory fills the house of His people.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who taught us to seek first the Kingdom of God, who became poor that we might be rich in grace, who gave Himself fully, that we might learn the way of self-giving love.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Breath of God within us, who calls us to generosity, stirs our hearts to build up Christ's Church, and transforms our giving into blessings that bring peace, justice, and hope.

We believe we are stewards, not owners, called to be faithful with all God has entrusted, to work with courage, to give with joy, and to live in trust that the glory of the latter house shall be greater than the former.

This is our faith, and in this faith we will live, to the glory of God Almighty.

Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI
CHOIR ANTHEM**

Glory Be to the Father UMH # 70

By Faith

Getty/Townsend/Stuart, arr. Michael

***SHARING OF THE PEACE
PRAYER CHORUS**

They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love TFWS # 2223

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: We see what is lacking and forget that You are present among us. You declare that all creation is Yours, yet we act as if we are masters instead of stewards. We cling to our possessions, fearing there will not be enough, instead of trusting in Your abundance. You promise peace, yet our hearts remain restless, anxious, and divided. Forgive us, Lord. Renew our courage, teach us to give with joy, and lead us into Your promised future, where Your glory shines and Your peace endures. 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

***HYMN OF PROCLAMATION**

Seek Ye First

UMH # 405

***SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Haggai 2:1-9

SERMON

Take Courage, and Build Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL

OFFERTORY

Thankful Heart

E. Sorenson

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

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***SENDING HYMN** Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing UMH # 400

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Sound for Joy

G. Young

ACTIVITIES - NOV. 9 - NOV. 16

Today: Church Council after service.

Monday, November 10

Pantry 9:00 A.M.

SPRC Meeting 6:00 P.M.

Tuesday, November 11 Veterans' Day

UWIF Leadership Team Meeting 10:00 A.M.

Wednesday, November 12

Pantry 6:00 P.M.

Thursday, November 13

Bells 6:30 P.M.

Chancel Choir 7:15 P.M.

Friday, November 14

Pantry 9:00 A.M.

Saturday, November 15

Day of Thanksgiving & Unity

Coshocton, Oh .

Check-In 9:30 A.M.

Sunday, November 16

Sunday School 9:45 A.M.

Worship Service 11:00 A.M.

Kid's Bible Class 11:00 A.M.

TODAY'S SERVANT LEADERS

Worship Leader

Duke Lunsford

Greeters

Florence Carwell

Trustee

Dave Puderbaugh

Kid's Bible Class Teacher

Kathy Schaefer

VAN DRIVER FOR NOVEMBER 16

Van Request: Cornelio -- 937-623-7951

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

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.

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

- [Isaiah 65:17-25, Isaiah 12, 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13](#)
- [Luke 21:5-19](#)

KID'S BIBLE CLASS

Our *Kid's Bible Class* is a meaningful time where children ages 1-9 learn to listen, and connect with God, through Bible stories, prayer, and fun activities linked to the lesson. After the lesson, they enjoy play that helps them build friendships, practice sharing, and grow in kindness—all in a safe and loving environment led by a Teacher and Attendant.

Church Staff

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Renewed Vision.
Greater Glory.**

HAGGAI 2:1-9

