

FAIRVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 27, 2026

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

A New World-Largo

Arr. by Danny Vizqueta

WELCOME AND WORDS OF COMMUNITY

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather in the name of Jesus Christ, who did not grasp at power, but chose the way of love.

People: Let the same mind be in us that was in Christ Jesus.

Leader: He humbled himself, taking the form of a servant, and walked the path of obedience and grace.

People: Teach us, O Lord, to look not only to ourselves, but to the needs of one another.

Leader: God has highly exalted him and given him the name above every name.

People: At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord!

Leader: Come, people of God, let us worship the One who shows us the way of humble love.

People: With grateful hearts, we worship Christ our Lord!

All: Amen.

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*GATHERING HYMN

All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine

UMH # 166

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Based on Matthew 18)

We believe in a God who calls us to be a people of reconciliation, reflecting the love and grace of Christ in all our relationships. Guided by the teachings of Jesus, we affirm the importance of seeking peace and understanding within our families, our communities, and our nation. We

believe that true faith is lived out in the pursuit of harmony, where conflicts are addressed with honesty, love, and a commitment to restoration. We affirm that God is present when we gather in the spirit of reconciliation, leading us toward unity and healing. We commit ourselves to the work of mending broken relationships, building bridges where there are divides, and fostering a spirit of forgiveness and compassion. We believe that in doing so, we embody the light of Christ, bringing hope and peace to a world in need. This is our faith: rooted in love, expressed in grace, and lived out in the pursuit of reconciliation for the glory of God. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI	Glory Be to the Father	UMH # 70
CHOIR ANTHEM	Let All Things Now Living	(Davis/Traditional)
CHILDREN'S MOMENT	Where Children Belong	TFWS # 2233
		Pastor Gaiser

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

PRAYER CHORUS

Healer of Our Every Ill TFWS # 2213, v. 1 only

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: We long to quiet the noise and distraction of daily life, to hear more clearly your call on our lives. Still our souls, that we may hear with clarity the wonders of your love guiding us on. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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	To Know You More	TFWS # 2161
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*GOSPEL LESSON	Matthew 21:23-32
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SERMON	<i>I Changed My Mind</i>	Rev. Neil Gaiser, OSL
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OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY As the Deer Martin J. Nystrom

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

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***SENDING HYMN** Forth in Thy Name, O Lord UMH # 438

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE The God We Praise M. A. Charpentier

ALTAR FLOWERS Today's Altar flowers are given by the Thompson family in memory of Artie Zizert.

ACTIVITIES: SEPT. 28 - OCT. 4

Monday, Sept. 28

Pantry 9:00 A.M.

UWIF Luncheon & Circle Mtg. 12:30 P.M.

Wednesday, Sept. 30

11:00 am Truck Delivery

Volunteers are needed to help unload.

Pantry 6 P.M.

Thursday, Oct. 1

Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:15 P.M.

Friday, Oct. 2

Pantry 9 A.M.

Sunday, Oct. 4

Trustees Mtg. 8:30 A.M.

No Hospitality or Sunday School at Fairview

World Communion Worship Service at Grace

UM Church 10:30 A.M.

TODAY'S SERVANT LEADERS

Worship Leader

Judith Mathes

Greeters

Shirley McBride &

Olivia Malicote

Trustee

Mike Zuber

Kids' Bible Class Teacher

Terri Hoernemann

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY - A JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE

Fairview & Grace UM Churches invite everyone to join us at

10:30 A.M. on Sunday, October 4, at Grace UM Church, 1001 Harvard

Bldg, Dayton, OH 45406, for a joint World Communion Service. Following the service, enjoy a time of fellowship and a Potluck-style meal with food from both churches. Pam Hounshell has a sign-up sheet available in the back of the church for you to list the food item you plan to bring.

VAN DRIVER FOR OCT. 4

Van Request: Wayne 937 - 369-7040

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

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR WEEK OF OCT. 4

[Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20](#), [Psalm 19](#), [Philippians 3:4b-14](#), [Matthew 21:33-46](#)

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.

Church Staff

Pastor Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL, **Administrative Assistant** Carol McDougale, **Director of Music** Michelle Forshaw, **Church Musician**, Barbara Kaskinen, **Treasurer** Fred Poland, **Audio Visual Technician** Roger Christian, **Kids' Bible Class Attendant** Oscar Ndayisaba, **Church Custodian** Vance Garner

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