THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | SEPTEMBER 7, 2025 | COMMUNION

CENTERING VIDEO "Ancient Words"

OPENING WORDS: Deuteronomy 30: 11-20

*HYMN "Lift High the Cross" UMH 159
WELCOME Pastor Scott Clawson

INTRODUCTION OF THE GENEROSITY BROCHURE

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Wherever you go, from the top of the highest mountain or into the deep abysses of the earth, God knows you.

Wherever we go, God knows our name.

Whatever you do, from the time you wake up until you lay your head down again, God knows you.

Whatever we do, God knows our name.

However you live, from your inner thoughts to your public acts and everything in between, God knows you.

However we live, God knows our name.

We gather to worship God, who loves us, knows us, and calls us by name.

We gather to worship God, for we are fearfully and wonderfully made by God, who knows our name!

*HYMN "Spirit of the Living God" UMH 393

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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PRAYER FOR THE DAY, PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

11:00 AM ANTHEM "Thank You for the Music"

HOLY COMMUNION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 14: 25-35

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God**

*HYMN "Choose Abundant Life" Pastor Scott Clawson
"Have Thine Own Way, Lord" UMH 382

BENEDICTION

May we go from this place carrying the blessing and assurance that the Triune God, Creator of the universe, knows our name. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

POSTLUDE "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95

ANNOUNCEMENTS

9:30 AM WORSHIP LEADERS

Acolyte: Ryan Robbins
Lay Reader: Joanne Robbins
Ushers: Robbins Family

11:00 AM WORSHIP LEADERS

Acolyte: Kasey Barboza Lay Reader: Charlene Bishop Ushers: Carole Zimmerman

NMUMC by the Numbers: August 31, 2025

8:15 AM: 20 9:30 AM: 54 11:00 AM: 53 Online: 11 Nursery: 2

Total Offering: \$29,585.00 Regular Offering: \$4,385.00*
Building Fund: \$100.00 Food Pantry: \$5.00 Memorial Fund: \$25.00
New Ministry Center: \$25,000.00 New Ministry Ctr., egg sale: \$70.00
*Regular Offering Needed to Meet Weekly Budget: \$5,503.92

Church Meetings

Monday, September 8: 9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal – 6:30 PM – ED Building Tuesday, September 9: Scripture to Life – 10:00 AM – Sanctuary Tuesday, September 9: Circle of Friends – 12:30 PM – Schoolhouse Tuesday, September 9: Hope4Kids Packing Day – 6:00 PM – Schoolhouse Tuesday, September 9: SPRC – 7:00 PM – ED Building Tuesday, Sept. 9: Stephen Ministry Supervisor Meeting – 7:00 PM – Sanctuary Wednesday, September 10: Wed. Night Bible Study – Contact Patty Robinson Thursday, Sept. 11: Women's Retreat Planning – 6:00 PM – ED Building Kitchen Thursday, September 11: 11:00 AM Choir Rehearsal – 6:45 PM – ED Building Saturday, September 13: Disciple – 10:00 AM – Contact Nick Wood Sunday, September 14: Abundant Life Brochure Distribution

The Generosity Team is excited to announce the launch of the Capital Campaign that will invite congregants and members of the community to support and be a part of the funding of the New Ministry Center (NMC). On Sunday, September 7th and September 14th, the Generosity brochure will be handed out to all who attend any of those services. Those who are not present during those dates will also receive a brochure either in person or by mail. On September 21st a question-and-answer time will be built into the end of the 9:30 am service and the beginning of the 11 AM. On September 28th there will be a Special Charge Conference Vote for the members of NMUMC to approve going ahead with fundraising and building the New Ministry Center. If the Charge Conference vote is approved, members of the Generosity Team will schedule individual meetings with each congregant to ensure that everyone can participate in this endeavor. Please be in prayer for both teams and start reflecting on how you can contribute generously to the New Ministry Center (NMC).

Save the Date: Women's Retreat | Sept. 20 | 9AM- 3PM | Schoolhouse

You are lovingly invited to join us for a soul-refreshing Women's Retreat as we gather to rest, reconnect, and remember the truth of God in us. Together, we will explore how His presence transforms our hearts, empowers our daily walk, and unites us as women of faith. Please RSVP by Sat, Sept. 6, 2025.

Please e-mail Susan Stevens at susanstevens329@gmail.com OR Text: 240-277-2581

Daily Devotions Starting 9/8/2025

Monday (9/08)- Jeremiah 4: 11-12, 22-28

Why is God angry with God's people? In what way or ways have you angered God? How can you repent today?

Tuesday (9/09)- Psalm 14

Do you get frustrated with the ways of the world, as today's Psalmist does? In what ways can you make the world a more just place?

Wednesday (9/10)- Exodus 32: 7-14

How did the Lord's anger temporarily take over the Lord's thoughts? Who is your "Moses" who can talk you out of your anger? Call and thank them today.

Thursday (9/11)- Psalm 51: 1-10

What sins do you honestly need to confess today? Lift your prayers of repentance to the Lord, knowing you are a forgiven person.

Friday (9/12)- 1 Timothy 1: 12-17

When have you received mercy? When have you given mercy? Who do you need to extend your mercy to today?

Saturday (9/13)- Luke 15: 1-10

Have you ever given up and said it is no use when trying to introduce someone to the love of Jesus? How do these parables encourage you never to give up?

Sunday (9/14)- Worship in person or online.



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