

## Those Who Serve

Pastor: Joy Wigal  
Musician: Chris Kennedy  
Treasurer: Roberta Covert  
Audio/Visual Technicians: Larisa Harper & Barb Wolfe  
Custodian: Jordan McKee  
Administrative Assistant: Amanda Hatfield

## Upcoming Church Servants

Date	Liturgist	Greeters
September 10	Mark	Chris & Heather
September 17	Barb T.	Mark, Thea & Vickie
September 24	Roberta	Floyd & Pat
October 1	Marsha	Don, Roberta & Susie
October 8	Barb T.	Chris & Heather
October 15	Nick	Mark, Thea & Vickie
October 22	Teresa F.	Floyd & Pat
October 29	Marsha	Jim & Barb

## Faith United Methodist Church September 10, 2023



*Come to the table...*

**The Table of Love**

**WE GATHER**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Prelude**

**Setting the Table (Threshold Moment)**

**“Come to the Table of Grace”**

**Come to the table of love**

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**This is God’s table, it’s not yours or mine**

**Come to the table of love!**



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## Taking Our Place, Opening to Others

*We come to this table not only for food,  
but for friendship and family.*

**We are here not only to eat, but to serve.**

*We prepare our meal of bread  
and fruit of the vine with compassion.*

**We invite everyone to join in the feast.**

*We are all part of one human family.*

**We are united in love.**

### Opening Hymn

“Lord, I Want to be a Christian” UMH 402

### The Peace

### The Children Gather

### WE PROCLAIM

### Preparation to Hear God’s Word

“As We Gather at Your Table” (Verse 1)

**As we gather at your table,  
as we listen to your word,  
help us know, O God, your presence;  
let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
Nourish us with sacred story  
'til we claim it as our own;  
teach us through this holy banquet  
how to make Love’s victory known.**

## Keep in Your Prayers

Adah Krokonko  
Aggas Family  
Al Duncan  
Andy Hartsock  
Baby Asher & Family  
Baby Christian & Family  
Baby London  
Bernice Osborne  
Betty Howard  
Betty Miller  
Bev Wolford  
Bradley Adams  
Brenda Miller  
Brenda Shepherd  
Brian Hina  
Chad Glass Family  
Charlie & Jean Bathrick Family  
Dave Smith Family  
David Inman  
Debbie Gifford  
Dennis Cebulsky  
Doug Adams  
Dunn Family  
Ed McAuley  
Ellen Kelton  
Gloria Jean Campbell  
J.J. Jasper  
Jacob Elson  
James Finlay Jr.  
Jane Thorne  
Janet Hickman  
Janice Moore  
Jasmine  
Jill Shrock  
Jim & Patty Evans  
JoAnne Peadon  
Juanita Mohler  
Julie Glass  
Karen Bay

Karen Norman  
Karen Wilson  
Kyle & Richard Felton  
Laura Peck  
Lynn  
Marilyn Inman  
Marlene Farley  
Mike Camp Family  
Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Sutton  
Nick Prindle  
Pam & Michael  
Pam Glass  
Pastor Joy Wigal  
Patty Pavlik  
Pearl Bradford  
Rita Spurrier  
Rita Young  
Ron Howard  
Ron Pyle Sr. Family  
Sarah Chapman & Family  
Saundra Boyd  
Shana  
Steve Cahn  
Steve Inman  
Suzanne Collins  
Terry Pickens  
Thea & Mark Crawmer  
Tim & Sherry Dickerson  
Tom Kelley Family  
Tonya Poli  
Ty Dierkis  
Vickie Cordle  
Vicky Butcher  
Vicky Wolfe  
Wanda Adams  
Zola Duncan & Family  
Medical Faith Shut-in:  
Kathleen McCutcheon

## Calendar of Events

Sunday, September 10	
Worship .....	10:30am
New Hope Circle .....	
Monday, September 11	
Office Open .....	10:00am-2:00pm
Tuesday, September 12	
Office Open .....	10:00am-2:00pm
Wednesday, September 13	
Office Open .....	10:00am-2:00pm

## Announcements

### *Sock Donations*

The Free Store is in need of new or gently-used clean socks. Shoppers have a 3 pair limit, but they go quickly. Donations can be dropped off in the shopping cart near the Faith playground doors.

### *CROP Walk*

Anyone interested in participating in the CROP WALK October 8th or donating, please contact Cindy Howard or Amanda Hatfield.



### *Monado's Market*

We will continue to collect items for Monado's Market at Zane State College. Donations can be dropped off at the table labeled "Zane State" outside of the lounge. Some helpful items include:

- ~Single Serving Snacks
- ~Microwavable Meals
- ~Bottled Water
- ~Trash Bags
- ~Paper Towels
- ~Toilet Paper
- ~Ibuprofen/Tylenol
- ~Dish Soap and Sponges
- ~Personal Hygiene Items
- ~Laundry Supplies
- ~Pet Supplies



## Scripture

Romans 13:8-14, Matthew 18:15-20 (MSG)

## Sermon

### WE RESPOND

#### Invitation to Prayer

**"At This Table"**

**At this table we lift our voices in prayer**

**At this table we seek your peace**

**At this table we know you have drawn near**

**At this table we find release**

### SHARING OUR PRAYERS AND PRAISES

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### PRAYING WITH JESUS

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.

#### Offering

## Doxology

Be present at our table, Lord,  
be here and everywhere adored;  
thy creatures bless, and grant that we  
may feast in fellowship with thee.

## Prayer of Dedication

God of love and compassion,  
we ask you to dedicate the tithes and offerings  
we bring to worship.  
We do this in the hope  
that you will do more with them  
than we could ever do on our own  
to heal the brokenness and division in our world.  
Remind us that the work of reconciliation  
does not get removed from our list  
because we put something in the offering  
and that mission field is within our arms' reach.  
This we pray in the redeemer's holy name,  
Jesus the Christ. Amen.

## WE GO FORTH

### Closing hymn

“They’ll Know We Are Christians” TFWS2223

### Benediction

*This Table of Love requires much of us.  
It insists that we love one another as we love ourselves,  
and that we love ourselves as we love others.*

Love asks that we raise one another up by saying,  
“Yes, you are worthy! You are welcome at this table.”  
When we surrender to the mysterious ways of love,  
we may be surprised to find just how much  
there is to go around.

*The grace of God abounds!  
The invitation of Christ is wide!  
The power of the transforming Spirit  
will surprise us every time!*

May the blessings of love you find here  
go with you and move through you to others  
wherever you go this week.  
Let the people say, “Amen!”  
**Amen!**

### Postlude