

This Week

Today –

- Join us following worship for coffee fellowship
- Choir Rehearsal following worship

Thursday, August 25:

- No Bible Study

Sunday, August 28

Liturgist: Maggie Johnson

Ushers: Cory Milbrandt, Sarah Ferguson, Jake & Sylvia Huber

Greeters: Madelyn Ferguson

Accompanist: Gail Keck

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meals on Wheels- If you would like to help deliver meals please reach out to the church office.

It's a few months away, but the Conference truck to collect our UMCOR kits and items for Midwest Mission Distribution will be at Blue Earth Hope on **November 15th**. We'll need volunteers to load the truck from 4 to 5 pm that Tuesday. Check out what's needed for Mission Kits at office@midwestmission.org and plan to put some kits together with friends. Watch for more information in future newsletters.

Today's KBEW radio broadcast is sponsored by Tonia Weir, in celebration of her granddaughter Jersey Weir's 3rd birthday on August 23!



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Sunday August 21, 2022

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

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Church office hours are 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM; Tuesday & Thursday

Worship Celebration for August 21, 2022

Welcome & Announcements

***Call to Worship**

One: With great rejoicing we come to the house of the Lord today!

All: God is our refuge and our stronghold.

One: The power and love of God flow through this gathering.

All: We place our whole trust in God's mighty compassion for us.

One: Come, let us worship the Lord!

All: Let us celebrate the presence of God here in this place and in all our lives. AMEN.

*Hymn *"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" verse 1-4* UMH 57

***Unison Prayer**

*Lord God,
whose power and mercy have extended to all ends of creation,
pour your love on us this day that we might be healed
and be made ready to serve you
by serving others in this world that you have created.
In Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.*

*Hymn *"Standing on the Promises"* UMH 374

Children's Message

Scripture Reading

Luke 14:1, 7-14

One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, he was being carefully watched.

When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honor at the table, he told them this parable: "When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, 'Give this person your seat.' Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, 'Friend, move up to a better place.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all the other guests. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Sermon

**Summer Reading Challenge
"If Jesus Wrote a Children's Book"**

-Rev. Lee Miller

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

*Hymn *Come to the Table of Grace*

Communion

Invitation to the Table UMH 12

*Doxology

The Great Thanksgiving UMH 13

The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

*Closing Hymn *"Jesus Loves Me"* UMH 191

***Benediction**