WORSHIP 10:00 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 AM

AUGUST 27, 2023

13th Sunday After Pentecost

Child Care Sunday

To parents of young children: Relax! God put the wiggles in children; don't feel you have to suppress those wiggles in God's house. Consider sitting toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to engage. Explain parts of the service and actions of the pastor, musicians, and leaders. Sing the songs, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn behavior by mimicking you. If you have to leave the Sanctuary with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. You and your child are a blessing to the church and this congregation. After the Children's Moments, children are welcomed and encouraged to stay and be part of the service or if you choose they can attend God's Big House (Ages: K-5th Grade upstairs with Mr. Andrew and our volunteers) or the Nursery (Ages: Newborn to Pre-K on the main level with Ms. Sarah and our volunteers). As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

*Congregation is invited to stand, if able.

GATHERING MUSIC : OLD CHURCH CHOIR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

ACOLYTES (BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST) MASON & OLIVIA WARD

*Songs of Praise: Build Your Kingdom Gratitude

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: CHILDREN OF GOD: WELCOME! WELCOME TO THIS PLACE OF LOVE AND GRACE,

- P: WELCOME TO THIS PLACE OF HOPE AND PERSEVERANCE.
- L: GOD INVITES ALL OF US TO BE A PART OF THE BELOVED COMMUNITY,
- **P:** GOD INVITES ALL OF US TO SHARE IN THE GOOD NEWS:
- $L: \ \ \text{We are welcome, just as we are.} \ \ \text{We are loved, just as we are.}$
- **P:** IN GRATITUDE FOR ALL OF THIS, LET US WORSHIP GOD.

*OPENING PRAYER (IN UNISON):

Gracious God, we thank you for the opportunity you have given us to worship you. We want to thank you as a church for allowing us to meet here again. This morning as we celebrate you, God, and the ministry of our Child Care, we thank you because you are with us. Thank you for hearing us through the name of Jesus Christ. Amen

CHORAL ANTHEM

CROSS ROADS UMC CHOIR

RECOGNITION OF OUR CHILD CARE MINISTRY

NOTE BURNING OF THE CHILD CARE BUILDING

A TIME FOR CHILDREN WITH DIANE VARNUM This, this is where children belong. Welcomed as part of our worship and song.

Recognition of New Members: Ronnie & Cecilia Dolin

*A Song of Preparation: Leaning on the Everlasting Arms UMH 133

SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 19:14 (NRSV) This Is the Word of God. Do you believe It? Yes, we believe It.

 MESSAGE : RAISE THEM RIGHT
 REV. DUSTIN MCCUNE

 A TIME OF PRAYER
 A TIME OF GIVING WITH DANCE:

 MARY KATHERINE MICHAEL
 *DOXOLOGY

 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here

below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*A Song of Invitation: Victory in Jesus

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ACOLYTES (TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST OUT IN THE WORLD) MASON & OLIVIA WARD

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTIONAL SONG: THE BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace. Amen. POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today: Please join us downstairs after service and share a meal and fellowship.

God's Big House: Sundays at 10:00 am for Pre-K—5th grade

Adult Sunday School Class: meets after Church in the Conference Room. Join Debbie Wallin as she leads a video series titled *The Book of Galatians* with Kyle Idleman.

Prayer Breakfast: Join Pastor Dustin every Thursday at 8:30 am at Bob Evans in Kinetic Park

Meetings: Finance Team- August 29 at 6:30 pm. Trustees-August 30 at 5:00 pm (Finance is encouraged to attend) Nominations Team/Lay Leadership-August 31 at 6:00 pm

Fall Fest: The United Women in Faith will host a Fall Fest in the gym of Cross Roads UMC on September 9, 2023, 10:00 am –2:00 pm. Crafters and Vendors wanted. Contact the church office for contract/information.

Thank you to our hosts/hostesses for Coffee on the Lawn:

Aug. 27: Sue Dostal, Josh Taylor, Sandy Blank Sept. 3: Carol MacCourtney, BJ Childers, Julie Savage *If anyone would like to volunteer, please contact the church office.*

90th Birthday Celebration for Carl Dayhoff: Sept. 3 at noon at Cross Roads UMC. "Your presence is desired, but not presents." Please RSVP to Annabeliif you plan to attend

OCC: Please continue to pray for Operation Christmas Child. We will be filling 108 shoeboxes this year, and the ages are 2 to 14. Now is an excellent time to get summer items from a clearance rack. Small items that will fit in a shoebox are needed like toys, clothing, or hygiene items. There is a box in the mission cubicle and at the entrance for your donations. Each box has a list of things NOT to donate and items that are acceptable. Thanks for your support. Also, if you prefer, monetary donations are appreciated too. (Make checks payable to CRUMC.)

September Club will resume meeting on Wednesday, September 6 at noon. Bible Study and Dinner will resume on September 13.

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