**SEPTEMBER 10, 2023** 

15TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10:00 AM: WORSHIP SERVICE & GOD'S BIG HOUSE 10:00 AM (PRE-K - 5TH GRADE)

11:10 AM: ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL (CONFERENCE ROOM)

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** 

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE** 

\*Songs of Praise: Your Grace is Enough

GLORIOUS DAY

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP:

- L: WELCOME TO THIS COMMUNITY OF FAITH.
- P: WE COME SEEKING HOPE AND COURAGE FOR THE FUTURE.
- L: HERE YOU WILL FIND PEACE, HOPE, LOVE AND JOY.
- P: WE COME WEIGHED DOWN BY DIFFICULTIES IN OUR LIVES.
- L: HERE YOU WILL FIND JESUS WHO WILL TAKE OUR BURDENS ON HIMSELF.
- P: LORD, WE COME TO YOU THIS DAY IN NEED OF YOUR MERCY AND LOVE. AMEN.

#### \*OPENING PRAYER (IN UNISON):

Lord of mercy and light, you have called us out of the darkness of our lives into the light of your love. Your love encourages and sustains us always. We praise and thank you for all the blessings we have received throughout our lives. It is in Jesus' name that we pray. Amen.

#### **CHORAL ANTHEM:**

#### CROSS ROADS UMC CHOIR

#### A TIME FOR CHILDREN WITH DEBBIE WALLIN

This, this is where children belong. Welcomed as part of our worship and song. Hearing God's Word, sharing love all along. This is where children belong.

\*A SONG OF PREPARATION: ROCK OF AGES

**UMH 361** 

SCRIPTURE: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-11 (NRSV)

This Is the Word of God. Do you believe It?

Yes, we believe It.

SERIES: TO MY FRIEND WHO LEFT THE FAITH

MESSAGE: CHRISTIANITY HAS NOTHING TO HIDE REV. DUSTIN MCCUNE

A TIME OF PRAYER

A TIME OF GIVING

## \*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: IT IS WELL

**UMH 377** 

\*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.

\*BENEDICTIONAL PRAYER

**POSTLUDE** 

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**Today: Meeting Night** 

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

Sept.10: Betty Campbell, Tammy Holland, Emma Walters

17: Bobbi Michael, Nicki Osburn, Myra Davis

24: Sue Dostal, Josh Taylor, Myra Davis

If anyone would like to volunteer, please contact the church office.

**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.)

**Bible Study and Dinner** will resume on September 13. Dinner at 6:00 and Bible Study at 6:30 pm.

Choir Practice will resume on September 13 at 5:00 pm.

**Common Grounds**: September 21. Volunteers to serve and talk with guests are welcome.

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