WORSHIP 10:00 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 AM

AUGUST 13, 2023

11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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:** All My Fountains Grace Like Rain

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: "When the storms of life are raging, stand by me"
P: LORD, HEAR MY CRY AND RESCUE ME!
L: "When the world is tossing me like a ship upon the sea"
P: GOD who rules wind and water, stand by me.
L: God stands with you in bright sunshine and deepest storm.
P: GOD GENTLY GUIDES US TO SAFETY AND PEACE. THANKS BE TO GOD. AMEN.

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

God of mysterious ways, you take our fears and turn them into triumphs. You remind us that you are always with us and that we do not need to fear the wind and waves of life. Encourage us to step out of the boat; to come across these difficulties to your redeeming and transforming love. Give us courage and strength, joy and peace for all the times ahead. Amen.

**CHORAL ANTHEM** 

**CROSS ROADS UMC** 

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

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: STAND BY ME UMH 512

SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 14:22-33 (NRSV)

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

**MESSAGE : DARE TO LEAVE THE BOAT** 

**REV. DUSTIN MCCUNE** 

#### A TIME OF PRAYER

#### A TIME OF GIVING

IN A WORLD THAT CALLS US TO SEEK FOR 'ME', WE STRUGGLE TO UNDER-STAND AND SEE THE ABUNDANCE AMONG 'US'. AS WE PREPARE TO GIVE OUR GIFTS THIS DAY, WE REFLECT ON THE PLACES OF ABUNDANCE IN OUR COM-MUNITY AND PLEDGE TO CONTINUE CREATING THESE PLACES. PRICK OUR HEARTS FOR THE PLACES OF LACK AND NEED IN OUR COMMUNITY AND IN

#### \*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: Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore UMH 344

\*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 Art of Neighboring*.

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

Meeting : August 20 – Nominations Team at 5:00 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:

Schedule: Aug. 13: Betty Campbell, Tammy Holland, Emma Walters Aug. 20: Bobbi Michael, Nicki Osburn, Myra Davis 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.

**Child Care Sunday/Church Picnic:** August 27 after church. Meat and drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish.

**90th Birthday Celebration for Carl Dayhoff:** Sept. 3 at noon at Cross Roads UMC. "Your presence is desired, but not presents." Please RSVP to Annabel by August 27 if you plan to attend

**OCC:** Please be in prayer for Operation Christmas Child. Once again, we will participate in the shoebox program, and we plan to fill 108 boxes. If you would like to help, now is a great time to purchase school items that will fit in a shoebox. Crayons, markers, pencils, erasers, scissors, etc. are items that are on sale now. Thank you for your assistance. We cannot do this without YOU!

September Club will resume meeting on Wednesday, September 6 at noon.

Bible Study and Dinner will resume on September 13.

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