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From the United Methodist Council of Bishops:
Pentecost People: Transformed by the Holy Spirit

What is God calling us as congregations of The United Methodist Church to be at this time in history?

Throughout our worldwide connection, there are vibrant congregations; the good news is being preached; the hungry are being fed; prisoners are being visited; the sick are being cared for; the marginalized are finding a home; migrants and refugees are being welcomed; people are coming to faith; UMCOR and other agencies have been engaged in disaster relief; churches are being planted; justice is being pursued; evil, injustice, and oppression are being resisted; and communities are being transformed.

The 2020 (which happened in 2024) General Conference marked a new beginning for The UMC. As we live into this new church, we long for the spiritual renewal of the church, a new Pentecost: the transforming presence of the Spirit of God amongst us in a new way. We desire to rediscover what it means to be Pentecost People – people healed and transformed by the presence of the Holy Spirit, sharing in the death and resurrection of Christ, living in dynamic, welcoming communities, empowered to bear witness in example, deeds, and word to God's reign of love in the world. This eight-week program is designed as a resource for the church to learn what it means to be people waiting for a new Pentecost.

John Wesley strongly argued that waiting for grace, the active presence of the Spirit, is an active waiting. We do not sit around doing nothing. We engage ourselves in preparing for the coming of God's grace. More than that, this preparing for the coming of God's grace is, in fact, the consequence of God's grace already present and active within us. Active waiting does not mean that we try to earn God's grace, that we can compel God to act, or that there is even a direct relationship between our actions and God's actions. Active waiting is a preparing of the way, inspired and empowered by God, for the Spirit to do something surprisingly new.

ACTIVITIES



September's Noisy Offering is supporting Jubilee House
More information can be found on the missions board in the Narthex! Thank you!



New Worship Time!
Starting Sunday,
October 5th
9:30am

There has been an interest in re-activating the Women's group at the Church! Roberta will be having a short meeting to discuss ideas / activities on Sunday September 14th after church in the Sanctuary. We hope to see you there!

Usher List:
Thank You!

- **9/7 Janet Goss**
- **9/14 Rich Hargreaves**
- **9/21 Jan Donkers**
- **9/28 Jim Hockin**

SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS!

2nd Stephen Donkers, Jr.
13th Tom Bloxsom
17th Dirk Renzema
21st Chelsea Lloyd
27th Kim Kuncaitis



▶ SEPTEMBER 2025

Sun **Mon** **Tue** **Wed** **Thu** **Fri** **Sat**

	1 Labor Day!	2	3 AD Council Meeting @ 9am	4	5	6
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7 9am Worship Communion	8	9	10	11	12	13
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14 9am Worship Kim Boss from Wesley House will be preaching	15	16	17	18	19	20
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21 9am Worship	22	23	24	25	26	27
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28 9am Worship Haiti New Life School Speaker	29	30
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AA SCHEDULE
Monday, 7:30pm
Saturday, 7pm

Our NOISY OFFERING for the
month of August supported
Ferris State Wesley House.

We will continue to collect
Individually wrapped Snack Items
for them through September 14th
when Kim Boss from the Wesley House
will be here and will take back whatever
we have collected.

There is a container in the Narthex
for the snack items that we collect.

SUGGESTED ITEMS Include: Chips,
Granola bars, cheese/crackers,
Peanut butter/Crackers, Candy bars,
Microwave popcorn, Nuts, Fruit snacks,
ANYTHING WRAPPED

Thank You!!



A BIG Thank You for your generosity in supplying School Supplies for A.C.T.S (Acme Christian Thrift Store and Food Pantry). We received tremendous support for all of you! These items are now being shared with ACTS Food Pantry Clients and their school aged families. These families are very appreciative of your support. We have a very caring congregation! Thank You!!

*Draw near to God and
He will draw near to you*

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