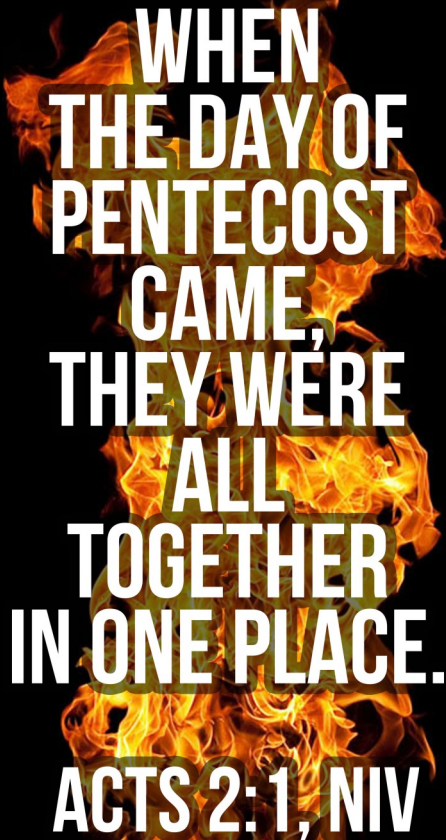


# Worship Celebration



WHEN  
THE DAY OF  
PENTECOST  
CAME,  
THEY WERE  
ALL  
TOGETHER  
IN ONE PLACE.  
ACTS 2:1, NIV

## *Day of Pentecost*

*The Day of Pentecost (the fiftieth day of the Easter season) represents the third of the three main festivals that give shape to our Christian calendar and Christian lives (alongside Christmas and Easter). Sometimes referred to as the “birthday” of the church, Pentecost celebrates the gift of the Holy Spirit to raise the church out of hiding and out of despair, giving us wind at our back and fire in our bones, empowering us to live the good news of Jesus Christ outwardly and invitationally. Pentecost also begins the long season of the church year we sometimes call “Ordinary Time.” “Ordinary,” in this sense, comes from “ordinal,” meaning that we count the Sundays in reference to Pentecost just as we live our lives in reference to Pentecost, too.*

June 5, 2022 + 9 AM

### ***Welcome to The United Methodist Church of Berea!***

As followers of Jesus Christ, who reveals a God whose love knows no boundaries, we are committed to welcoming and affirming every person as a beloved child of God. Every person—of every sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnicity, age, economic status, health, ability, or any other identifying label—is welcome to participate fully in our ministries and life together as church. We hope The United Methodist Church of Berea will become a home for you, your family, and your friends as together, in our relationship with God, with each other, and with all creation, **we make and mature disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.**

**Join us in worship, this week and every week:**

**Sunday at 9AM** in-person in the Sanctuary and online ([www.facebook.com/umcberea/live](http://www.facebook.com/umcberea/live))

**Sunday at 11AM** in-person in Wesley Hall

**Monday—Friday at 9AM** (Morning Prayer) via Zoom  
(1-888-788-0099, meeting id: 518 014 483; passcode: 170)

*In accordance with CDC guidelines and our county's current “high” community level, **you are asked to wear a face mask at all times inside our building.** Wearing a well-fitted face mask provides a layer of safety for you and for others in the room with you. Please practice love for your neighbors by wearing a face mask whenever you are indoors and in public, in our building and throughout our county. If you are experiencing symptoms, please stay connected with us from home until your symptoms are ended.*

# We Gather as God's Children

## Prelude

## Words of Welcome

### + Call to Worship

Spirit of the living God, visit us again on this Day of Pentecost.

***Come, Holy Spirit, come.***

Like a rushing wind that sweeps away all barriers,

***come, Holy Spirit, come.***

Like tongues of fire that set our hearts aflame,

***come, Holy Spirit, come.***

With speech that unites the Babel of our tongues,

***come, Holy Spirit, come.***

With love that overlaps the boundaries we create,

***come, Holy Spirit, come.***

With power from above to make our weakness strong,

***come, Holy Spirit, come.***

### + Hymn

*O Spirit of the Living God*

UMH 539

## Grow in God's Word

Leader: With disciples of every time and place, let us listen for the word of God among us.

**People: *Our ears and hearts are open.***

### First Lesson - Genesis 11.1-9 (CEB)

**11** All people on the earth had one language and the same words. <sup>2</sup>When they traveled east, they found a valley in the land of Shinar and settled there. <sup>3</sup>They said to each other, "Come, let's make bricks and bake them hard." They used bricks for stones and asphalt for mortar. <sup>4</sup>They said, "Come, let's build for ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the sky, and let's make a name for ourselves so that we won't be dispersed over all the earth."

<sup>5</sup>Then the LORD came down to see the city and the tower that the humans built. <sup>6</sup>And the LORD said, "There is now one people and they all have one language. This is what they have begun to do, and now all that they plan to do will be possible for them. <sup>7</sup>Come, let's go down and mix up their language there so they won't understand each other's language." <sup>8</sup>Then the LORD dispersed them from there over all of the earth, and they stopped building the city. <sup>9</sup>Therefore, it is named Babel, because there the LORD mixed up the language of all the earth; and from there the LORD dispersed them over all the earth.

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

**People: *Thanks be to God.***

### Second Lesson - Acts 2.1-21 (CEB)

**2** When Pentecost Day arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>Suddenly a sound from heaven like the howling of a fierce wind filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on each one of them. <sup>4</sup>They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit enabled them to speak.

<sup>5</sup> There were pious Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup> When they heard this sound, a crowd gathered. They were mystified because everyone heard them speaking in their native languages. <sup>7</sup> They were surprised and amazed, saying, "Look, aren't all the people who are speaking Galileans, every one of them?" <sup>8</sup> How then can each of us hear them speaking in our native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; as well as residents of Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the regions of Libya bordering Cyrene; and visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism), <sup>11</sup> Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the mighty works of God in our own languages!" <sup>12</sup> They were all surprised and bewildered. Some asked each other, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup> Others jeered at them, saying, "They're full of new wine!"

<sup>14</sup> Peter stood with the other eleven apostles. He raised his voice and declared, "Judeans and everyone living in Jerusalem! Know this! Listen carefully to my words! <sup>15</sup> These people aren't drunk, as you suspect; after all, it's only nine o'clock in the morning! <sup>16</sup> Rather, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup> *In the last days, God says,*

*I will pour out my Spirit on all people.*

*Your sons and daughters will prophesy.*

*Your young will see visions.*

*Your elders will dream dreams.*

<sup>18</sup> *Even upon my servants, men and women,*

*I will pour out my Spirit in those days,*

*and they will prophesy.*

<sup>19</sup> *I will cause wonders to occur in the heavens above*

*and signs on the earth below,*

*blood and fire and a cloud of smoke.*

<sup>20</sup> *The sun will be changed into darkness,*

*and the moon will be changed into blood,*

*before the great and spectacular day of the Lord comes.*

<sup>21</sup> *And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.*

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

## **Sermon**

## **Choir Anthem**

## **Prayers of the People**

*As we join our hearts to lift our prayers to God, we invite you to share your joys and concerns. If you are worshiping with us online, you can share your prayer request through the "comments" section on Facebook. And throughout the week, you can share your prayer requests with Pastor Nathan (440-234-3525 x101, [nhowe@umcb.org](mailto:nhowe@umcb.org)), the church office ([info@umcb.org](mailto:info@umcb.org)), or through our website ([www.umcb.org/worshipresources](http://www.umcb.org/worshipresources)).*

## **Opportunities for Ministry and Invitation to Give Our Tithes and Offerings**

*You are invited to give your tithes and offerings online ([www.umcb.org/donate](http://www.umcb.org/donate)), by mailing a check to the church office, or in one of the offering plates located just inside the back wall of the Sanctuary, either on your way into or out of the worship space. Through whatever means you give, thank you for your generosity and ongoing commitment to making and maturing disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!*

## The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts. *We lift them up to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing always and everywhere to give thanks to you, O God,  
who poured out tongues of fire on the disciples at Pentecost,  
empowering them to speak your word in ways that could be heard.

You promise to give our young people visions of a better world  
and our elders dreams of peace.

All who are filled with your Spirit are your children,  
fellow heirs with Christ in both suffering and glory.

And so, with all your diverse creatures on earth and the whole heavenly chorus,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.***

Holy are you, God, and holy is your child, Jesus,  
who sent the Holy Spirit to be our Companion,  
to continue to guide and empower us.

On the night in which Jesus gave himself completely,  
he took bread, broke it, gave thanks, and shared it, saying:

***“Receive, eat; this is my body, broken for you.  
Whenever you eat it, do so in remembrance of me.”***

After supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and shared it, saying:

***“Receive, drink; this is the cup of the new covenant,  
poured out for the healing of the world.  
Whenever you drink it, do so in remembrance of me.”***

And so, in remembrance of all your mighty acts in Jesus Christ  
and in celebration of your ongoing gift of the Holy Spirit,  
we proclaim the mystery of faith:

***Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.***

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of grain and grape,  
fruit of the earth and labor of human hands.

***Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,***  
that we may be the body of Christ, filled with the fire of the Holy Spirit,  
sent out for the healing of the world.

Sender of dreams, Spirit of truth, Giver of visions,  
you are the One God to whom we offer all our praise and thanks,  
now and forever. ***Amen.***

## The Lord's Prayer

### Sharing the Bread and Cup

**Handbell Anthem** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*  
**Hymn** *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*

TFWS 2120

**+ Prayer following Communion**

*With gratitude, O God, for the promise and gift of a new creation,  
we join with your Spirit in recreating  
our lives and this world by your love.*

*Where there is despair, let us work for hope.*

*Where there is defeat, let us work for renewal.*

*In the name of the Risen Christ, make us and your whole world new. Amen.*

## **We Go Out to Serve in God's Name**

**+ Hymn**

*This Is a Day of New Beginnings* (vv. 1-4)

UMH 383

**+ Benediction**

May the Spirit of God be in us.

***May the Spirit of God go ahead of us and come behind us.***

May the Spirit stand beside us, guard us from above, and support us from below.

***May the Spirit comfort us, remind us we are loved and give us power to serve.***

May the Spirit unite us with God and with God's children

as we go from this place in peace to love and serve the world.

***Thanks be to God. Amen.***

**Postlude**

***Our service of worship is ended.  
Our worship through service now begins.***

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### **Worship Participants**

**Pastors**

Rev. Nathan Howe

Rev. Carrie Antczak

**Liturgist**

Sharon Williams

**Music**

Megan Denman, *Organist*

Courtney Popp, *Choir Director*

Tori Lero, *Handbell Choir Director*

**Audio Video Elements**

Mark Williams

Marlynda Dziak

Debbie Haas

***Morning Prayer*** (week of Sunday, June 5):

Gracious God,  
we thank you for the peace of good sleep  
and for keeping us safe throughout this night.

Let this new day be a time of praise and joy  
as we go out to meet you

in our sisters and brothers.

We pray this—as we live—in Jesus' name.

Amen.

***Evening Prayer*** (week of Sunday, June 5):

Merciful Lord, as night comes to this house,  
we thank you for the challenges  
and accomplishments of this past day.

Give our hearts and minds the comfort now  
to rest in your care,

trusting that whatever tomorrow brings,

your hand will be ready to catch us if we fall.

Amen.

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# Peace with Justice

S U N D A Y

United Methodists are called upon to become peacemakers and show the love, compassion, and concern for justice that Jesus taught and lived.

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Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.  
The people of The United Methodist Church

In a world  
where you  
can be anything  
BE KIND

## **Peace with Justice Sunday** *Next Sunday, June 12*

The world is crying out for peace with justice and we have an opportunity to be part of that process. Now, perhaps more than ever, we are called to be part of extending healing and hope that moves us to becoming a new creation in Christ. On Peace with Justice Sunday, we partner with other United Methodist congregations in a special offering to support advocacy around the world. Together we empower people and communities through systemic change in ways that bring true and lasting peace with justice.

The offering is administered by the United Methodist General Board of Church and Society and benefits peace with justice ministries in this annual conference and around the world. Half of our gifts stay with local ministries in this conference and half support the work of Church and Society globally.

Consider making a generous gift by writing a check to this church with “Peace with Justice” in the memo line or donating online at [www.umcb.org/donate](http://www.umcb.org/donate) and notating “Peace with Justice” on the other line.

Learn more at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CiGkFpqRWUM>.



*Let Us Live* 

**LOVE** 

1 John 4:7-13 (NIV)

**2022 East Ohio Annual Conference**

*June 9 - June 11*

*John S. Knight Center, Akron*

*All business sessions, worship services,*

*and celebrations livestreamed at [www.eocumc.com/eoac22/livestream](http://www.eocumc.com/eoac22/livestream)*

Our United Methodist Church is a connectional system, meaning, in part, that local congregations are not autonomous or independent but missional outposts of a larger body. That larger body is the “annual conference,” which receives its name from the yearly gathering of an equal number of clergy members and lay members who meet together for worship, fellowship, and to conduct the business of the conference (including reporting, adopting goals and budgets, and ordaining clergy members as deacons and elders).

The United Methodist Church of Berea is part of the East Ohio Annual Conference, presided over by Bishop Tracy S. Malone. Under her leadership, our annual conference will meet this year from Thursday, June 9 to Saturday, June 11 at the John S. Knight Center in Akron. Our gathering will be shaped and focused by the theme, “Let Us Live Love,” inspired by 1 John 4.7-13. All business sessions, worship services, and celebrations of the annual conference will be livestreamed at [www.eocumc.com/eoac22/livestream](http://www.eocumc.com/eoac22/livestream). Don Moody and Jeff Zeager are lay members of the East Ohio Annual Conference from our congregation and will provide a report to our congregation following this year’s session.

Please hold the annual conference, its members, and our bishop in your prayers as we come together to celebrate what God is doing among and through us and to listen for God’s continuing call as we move forward in love.



## **An Invitation to Provide Altar Flowers**

You are invited to provide the altar flowers for our Sunday worship service. Flowers may be dedicated in honor or memory of a loved one or to the Glory of God. Use one of the forms on the bulletin board just to the left of the office hallway door or online at [www.umcb.org/donate](http://www.umcb.org/donate) to indicate your choice of date and how the flowers will be provided.

If you would like to share the beautiful flowers from your garden, that would be lovely. Please place them on the altar at least 30 minutes before the start of the 9 AM worship service Sunday morning.

If you prefer, the church is also happy to order with our florist on your behalf. Payment for these arrangements may be made by a check with "altar flowers" and the service date on the memo line or online at [www.umcb.org/donate](http://www.umcb.org/donate).

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the **Church Office** at 440-234-3525 x100 or [info@umcb.org](mailto:info@umcb.org).



## **Climate Justice Short-Term Study**

***Wake Up World: A Quick Curriculum for the Church on the Climate Crisis***  
***Wednesdays, June 15 through July 20, 6:30 PM, Fellowship Hall***

Our congregation has been invited to participate as a "pilot group" for a new curriculum that connects the current climate crisis with a United Methodist faith-filled response. Participants in this six-week study will gain a basic understanding of the current crisis, will be better equipped for talking meaningfully with others about the current crisis, and will be encouraged to respond to the current crisis through faithful action.

For more information and to express your interest in participating opportunities, please contact **Pastor Nathan** at 440-234-3525 x101 or [nhowe@umcb.org](mailto:nhowe@umcb.org).



## **Beloved Neighborhood Vacation Bible School**

***June 20-24, 9:30 AM-12:15 PM***

***A Berea Church Collaboration hosted at The UMC of Berea***

Welcome to the Beloved Neighborhood, where we're glad to call you neighbor! Our goal is to share the love and joy of Jesus with your family, as we bring to life the work and ministry of Mr. Rogers. This is a collaborative ministry of several Berea churches with one message: ***God loves you just the way you are!***

**Register Children:**

<https://forms.gle/89joFG8THjFqQSEd9>

**Register to Volunteer (Adults and Youth):**

<https://forms.gle/N2uRy37vHnXezFuQ6>





## Thursday Night Bible Study

*Thursdays, 6:30 PM, via Zoom*

Calling everyone who would like to join our Bible Study on Thursdays. In the middle of June, we will be learning about the Parables, We will be able to have our group study and then some personal reflections on what we have discussed.

Please come and join us! Thank You!

To order your book, please contact **Pastor Carrie** at **440-234-3525 x105** or [cantczak@umcb.org](mailto:cantczak@umcb.org).

Questions? Contact **Mary Lynn Swartz** at [marylynn482@gmail.com](mailto:marylynn482@gmail.com) or **440-409-5931**.



## Griefshare

*Wednesdays at 6:30 PM, via Zoom*

Griefshare Support Group is a 13-week session filled with some reading, some questions, some laughter, and a few tears - all in the comfort of your home. Come meet some new friends who share the same concerns and thoughts as you might have. We will talk about feelings, about doubts, and about problems getting back to a new normal way of life.

For more information and Zoom details, contact **Mary Lynn Swartz** at [marylynn482@gmail.com](mailto:marylynn482@gmail.com) or **440-409-5931**.



## Help Build Hope Wall Build

*July 15 & 16, Our Parking Lot, Register at [www.helpbuildhope.com/umcberea](http://www.helpbuildhope.com/umcberea)*

A BIG thank you to everyone who has generously supported our Help Build Hope Intergenerational Mission project! We are getting very close to our actual build days! While we are doing wonderfully with our fundraising efforts, we still have some gaps to fill. If you have not yet made your donation towards this future Habitat for Humanity home, we encourage you to do so now! Donations can be sent to the church by check with "Help Build Hope" in the memo line, or given online at [www.umcb.org/donate](http://www.umcb.org/donate), using the other box with "Help Build Hope".

NOW it is time to form our serving teams! Whether you are nailing and building, offering hospitality, or helping with our children's activities, we need you to fill out the registration form, which can be found at [www.helpbuildhope.com/umcberea](http://www.helpbuildhope.com/umcberea). After you register, we ask for you to invite FOUR others by the **FOURTH of July!**

If you need assistance with registration or have questions, please contact **Pastor Carrie** at **440-234-3525 x105** or [cantczak@umcb.org](mailto:cantczak@umcb.org).



## Equal Exchange Sale

*Sunday, June 5, 10-11 AM, by the Parlor*

*Empower your morning routine.* Our coffee, grown by small farmer co-ops and roasted by our own worker-owners, supports economic resiliency at every step of the supply chain. The small farmers who grow our tea control their own land and livelihoods. That's the goodness you'll find in every cup.



## **Metanoia Project**

Over the summer we will be providing lunches for the educational programming of the Metanoia project - an organization that cares for those experiencing homelessness. We have been joyfully serving with Metanoia throughout the winter and are appreciative of the relationships we are building there.

For specific dates and needs, please contact **Laura Rushton** at **567-303-1954** or [jlaurush@gmail.com](mailto:jlaurush@gmail.com).

Our June Loose Change Offering will also benefit the Metanoia Project. Please consider supporting this mission by dropping your change in the offering plate, mailing in an offering, or donating electronically at [www.umcb.org/donate](http://www.umcb.org/donate) using the "other" box and marking it "loose change offering". Your generosity towards is greatly appreciated.



## **June's Love Your (Furry) Neighbor**

***Place Donations in the Bin Near the Outreach board (Near Room 13)***

This month's project invites the whole congregation to join the kids of VBS in donating needed items to our animal neighbors of the Berea Animal Rescue!

Please bring any of these items to the donation box near the outreach board:

- Any cat or dog food (both wet and dry)
- Cat or dog treats
- Nylabones
- Kitty litter



## **Support Our Local Food Pantries**

***Donations can be left in the cupboard between the Narthex and the Library***

We support our local food pantries on a continual basis. Please place donations of non-perishable food in the cupboard between the Sanctuary and the library anytime you are in the building. Deliveries to pantries are made regularly as we do our best to keep them stocked.

If you prefer, please feel free to participate with a monetary donation instead, either by mailing a check to the church office or online at [www.umcb.org/donate](http://www.umcb.org/donate). Please note "food pantry" on the description line. Thank you for supporting this effort.



# Happening at The UMCB this week:

## Sunday, June 5

*Day of Pentecost*

### **Traditional Worship**

9 AM / Sanctuary or Online at

<http://www.facebook.com/umcberea/videos>

### **Fellowship Hour via Zoom**

10 AM / [Join online](#)

### **Modern Worship**

11 AM / Wesley Hall

### **Creation Justice Team Meeting**

2:30 PM / Room 13

## Monday, June 6

### **Morning Prayer via Zoom**

9 AM – 9:30 AM / [Contact Pastor Nathan](#)

### **Survivors Fellowship**

11 AM / Lunch only / Aladdin's

### **Trustees Meeting**

5 PM / Room 13

## Tuesday, June 7

### **Morning Prayer via Zoom**

9 AM – 9:30 AM / [Contact Pastor Nathan](#)

### **Stephen Ministers**

6:30 AM / Room 13

## Wednesday, June 8

### **Morning Prayer via Zoom**

9 AM – 9:30 AM / [Contact Pastor Nathan](#)

### **Wednesday Griefshare**

6:30 PM / [Contact Mary Lynn Swartz at marylynn482@gmail.com](#)

## Thursday, June 9

### **Morning Prayer via Zoom**

9 AM – 9:30 AM / [Contact Pastor Nathan](#)

### **Handbells**

6 PM / Sanctuary / [Contact Tori Lero](#)

### **Women's Bible Study via Zoom**

6:30 PM / [Contact Mary Lynn Swartz at marylynn482@gmail.com](#)

## Friday, June 10

### **Morning Prayer via Zoom**

9 AM – 9:30 AM / [Contact Pastor Nathan](#)

## Saturday, June 11

## Sunday, June 12

*Trinity Sunday*

*Peace with Justice Sunday*

### **Traditional Worship**

9 AM / Sanctuary or Online at

<http://www.facebook.com/umcberea/videos>

### **Open Discussion - Gun Violence**

10 AM / Fellowship Hall

### **Fellowship Hour via Zoom**

10 AM / Gathering Place / [Join online](#)

### **Modern Worship**

11 AM / Wesley Hall

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*Contact Pastor Nathan at*

*440-234-3525 x101 or [nhowe@umcb.org](mailto:nhowe@umcb.org)*

*Contact Pastor Carrie at*

*440-234-3525 x105 or [cantczak@umcb.org](mailto:cantczak@umcb.org)*

### **Church Office Hours**

**Monday, Wednesday, Thursday**

9 AM – 3 PM

**Tuesday, Friday**

Beth works from home 9AM - 3 PM

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**Office Phone:** 440-234-3525 x100

**Cell:** 440-710-4498

Many of our staff members have hours based on need. If your business requires a visit to the church, it may be helpful to call in advance to ensure the staff member you wish to see will be available.