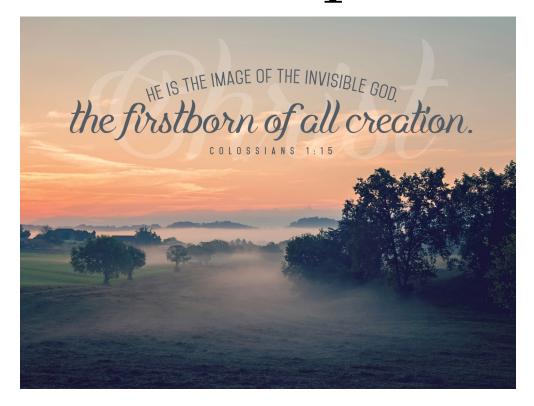
Worship Celebration



Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 17, 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 (<u>www.facebook.com/umcberea/live</u>) **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)

While our county remains at either a "medium" or a "low" community level rating, face masks will be optional in our building. If you are immunocompromised or at higher risk for severe disease, please consult with your healthcare provider about wearing a mask or taking other additional precautions. If you are experiencing symptoms—including but not limited to a cough, fever or chills, shortness of breath, fatigue, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, or congestion—please practice caution and stay connected with us from home until your symptoms are ended.

We Gather as God's Children

Prelude Largo

Words of Welcome

+ Opening Prayer

Creator of All, we come from many places and pursuits.

Some of us are carrying heavy hearts.

Some of us have many questions and few answers.

Some of us come with joys bursting from our souls.

Help us to lay aside all that we carry with us, for a time, that we might focus on you—

the Source of our lives, the One who fills our days with joy and beauty and love,

the One who provides a community we call "home."

Almighty God, we come this day, turning our minds and hearts toward you. Amen.

+ Hymn

When the Church of Jesus

UMH 592

Jacques Champion de Chambonnieres

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Help Build Hope

We give you great thanks, O God,

for the opportunity to join our hands and hearts in your labor.

Thank you for those who shared their spirit, energy, efforts, and time

to help others realize their dreams of receiving a house to call "home."

Bless the walls we built and those who will live in them:

bless those lives with laughter and joy, community and belonging.

And open our hands and hearts to more opportunities to serve you,

in the name and spirit of Christ, who shows us how to serve. Amen.

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 - Colossians 1.15-28 (*CEB*)

¹⁵ The Son is the image of the invisible God,

the one who is first over all creation,

¹⁶ Because all things were created by him:

both in the heavens and on the earth,

the things that are visible and the things that are invisible.

Whether they are thrones or powers,

or rulers or authorities,

all things were created through him and for him.

¹⁷ He existed before all things,

and all things are held together in him.

¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church,

who is the beginning,

the one who is firstborn from among the dead

so that he might occupy the first place in everything.

¹⁹ Because all the fullness of God was pleased to live in him,

and he reconciled all things to himself through him—whether things on earth or in the heavens.

He brought peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹Once you were alienated from God and you were enemies with him in your minds, which was shown by your evil actions. ²²But now he has reconciled you by his physical body through death, to present you before God as a people who are holy, faultless, and without blame. ²³But you need to remain well established and rooted in faith and not shift away from the hope given in the good news that you heard. This message has been preached throughout all creation under heaven. And I, Paul, became a servant of this good news.

²⁴ Now I'm happy to be suffering for you. I'm completing what is missing from Christ's sufferings with my own body. I'm doing this for the sake of his body, which is the church. ²⁵I became a servant of the church by God's commission, which was given to me for you, in order to complete God's word. ²⁶I'm completing it with a secret plan that has been hidden for ages and generations but which has now been revealed to his holy people. ²⁷ God wanted to make the glorious riches of this secret plan known among the Gentiles, which is Christ living in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸ This is what we preach as we warn and teach every person with all wisdom so that we might present each one mature in Christ.

Leader: The word of God for the people of God. **People:** *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Lesson - Luke 10.38-42 (CEB)

³⁸ While Jesus and his disciples were traveling, Jesus entered a village where a woman named Martha welcomed him as a guest. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his message. ⁴⁰ By contrast, Martha was preoccupied with getting everything ready for their meal. So Martha came to him and said, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to prepare the table all by myself? Tell her to help me."

⁴¹ The Lord answered, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things. ⁴² One thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the better part. It won't be taken away from her."

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Sermon

Hymn As a Fire Is Meant for Burning

TFWS 2237

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

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), the church office (info@umcb.org), or through our website (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), 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!

Offertory Anthem

Whatever You Do

WS 3128

+ Doxology

UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Public Domain

+ Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment

Source of all that is, we offer our gifts and lives to you.

We give what we can, asking that you would bless and multiply what we offer.

Through your generosity, may our sisters and brothers, near and far,
know your abundant love and tender mercy.

Through these gifts and through our lives,
may all come to know the glory and wisdom of Christ. Amen.

We Go Out to Serve in God's Name

+ Hymn Pass It On UMH 572

+ Benediction

Sisters and brothers, as you leave this place today, may you know the blessings of our God.

And may the peace of God, the love of Christ, and the comfort of the Holy Spirit be with us all, now and always. Amen.

Postlude Toccata in G Major

William Hieronymous Pachelbel

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

Worship Participants

Pastors

Rev. Nathan Howe Rev. Carrie Antczak

LiturgistCarol McCleery

Music

Megan Denman, *Organist*Margaret Proctor, *Choir Director*

Audio Video Elements

Mark Williams Marlynda Dziak Debbie Haas

The altar arrangement is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Carol Hemker by Sara Phillips.

Morning Prayer (week of Sunday, July 17): God, help us to see you in everything we do, to hear you in everything we say. Remind us that your Holy Spirit is inside us, with us, and around us. And help us to work for and with all our sisters and brothers, giving kindness, sharing hope, and living out the faith you give. Amen.

Evening Prayer (week of Sunday, July 17):
Today, O Lord, we have sat at your feet.
We have listened to your words.
We have been empowered by your teachings.
Now help us to rest in you,
that we might go out into the world tomorrow
to serve and smile and love,
to work and play and forgive,
all in your name. Amen.

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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 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 to indicate your choice of date and how the flowers will be provided.

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



Thursday Night Bible Study

Thursdays, 6:30 PM, via Zoom

We are 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!

Questions? Contact Mary Lynn Swartz at 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. 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** or **440-409-5931**.



Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, July 21, 1 PM - 6 PM, Fellowship Hall

Come to give blood for a ticket to a Cedar Fair theme park of your choice, while supplies last! Appointments are highly encouraged.

To schedule an appointment, go to **RedCrossBlood.org** and enter sponsor code: **CedarPoint** or call **1-800-RED-CROSS**.



Drink Local Drink Tap Beach Clean-ups

Saturdays July 23, August 13, and September 10, 10 AM - Noon, Edgewater Park Registration Required at https://drinklocaldrinktap.org/engagement/beach-cleanups/
Enjoy the summer weather with your family near Lake Erie and partner with some new people to protect birds and fish and help clean up our great lake! Join Drink Local Drink Tap for their summer beach clean-ups will be held from 10 AM - Noon on Saturdays July 23, August 13 and September 10. Registration is required for the clean-ups. Register at https://drinklocaldrinktap.org/engagement/beach-cleanups/. -Wendy Jelinek for Church & Society



Join the Creation Justice Team

The Creation Justice Team is beginning to plan additional Creation Justice events. If you are interested in learning more about Creation Justice and would like to participate, please contact:

Barb Dawson at 440 885-1672 or bdawson8531@sbcglobal.net or Pastor Nathan at 440 234-3525 x101 or nhowe@umcb.org.



Feed the Kids

Donations accepted in the Bin by the Outreach Board (Next to room 13) Packing Day - Sunday, July 24, 10 am (Between Worship Services) Service Day - Saturday, July 25, 5-7 pm

You are invited to join us helping to "Feed the Kids" this summer by providing for food insecure families. Over the school year, children receive free or reduced cost meals. However, summer can be a very challenging time for families without this assistance.

How you can help:

- Donate these items to the outreach bin: breakfast items (like pop-tarts, cereal), single-serve lunch/dinner items (like canned pasta, easy mac, cup-o-noodles, canned protein, soup, etc.), juice boxes, fruit cups or fruit pouches, and individually wrapped snacks. Also needed clean, grocery-size brown paper bags. Keep in mind that easy to prepare or zero-preparation foods make it easier for children.
- Help assemble bags between worship services on Sunday, July 24 in Fellowship Hall
- Distribute Lunches on Monday, July 25, 5-7 PM. (Thanks to everyone who has already signed up! We just need a couple more!)

Questions? Please contact **Pastor Carrie** at **cantczak@umcb.org** or **440-234-3525 x105**.



Loose Change Offering

This month's loose change benefits Berea Animal Rescue Fund, the mission of Vacation Bible School! Join us in supporting our fellow beloved creatures by dropping your change in the offering plate, mailing in an offering, or donating electronically at www.umcb.org/donate using the "other" box and marking it "loose change offering".

Your generosity towards is greatly appreciated.



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. Please note "food pantry" on the description line. Thank you for supporting this effort.

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... AND THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS BUILD POSSIBLE! WE HOPE YOU'LL SERVE WITH US AGAIN SOON!

Happening at The UMCB this week:

Sunday, July 17

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Traditional Worship

9 AM / Sanctuary or Online at http://www.facebook.com/umcberea/videos

Fellowship Hour via Zoom

10 AM / Gathering Place / <u>Join online</u>

Modern Worship

11 AM / Wesley Hall

Monday, July 18
Morning Prayer via Zoom

9 AM - 9:30 AM / Contact Pastor Nathan

Survivors Fellowship

11 AM / Lunch only / The Brew Kettle

Tuesday, July 19

Morning Prayer via Zoom 9 AM – 9:30 AM / <u>Contact Pastor Nathan</u>

> <u>Wednesday, July 20</u> Morning Prayer via Zoom

9 AM - 9:30 AM / Contact Pastor Nathan

Climate Justice Short Term Study

6:30 PM / Fellowship Hall

Griefshare

6:30 PM / Contact Mary Lynn Swartz at marylynn482@gmail.com

Thursday, July 21
Morning Prayer via Zoom

9 AM - 9:30 AM / Contact Pastor Nathan

Women's Bible Study via Zoom

6:30 PM / Contact Mary Lynn Swartz at marylynn482@gmail.com

<u>Friday, July 22</u> Morning Prayer via Zoom

9 AM – 9:30 AM / Contact Pastor Nathan

Saturday, July 23

Sunday, July 24

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Traditional Worship

9 AM / Sanctuary or Online at http://www.facebook.com/umcberea/videos

Feed the Kids Packing Day 10 AM / TBD

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Fellowship Hour via Zoom

10 AM / Gathering Place / Join online

Modern Worship

11 AM / Wesley Hall

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<u>Finance Office - Maryann Herron</u> **Monday, Wednesday, Friday** 10 AM -3 PM <u>mherron@umcb.org</u>, 440-234-3525 x103

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Pastors Nathan Howe & Carrie Antczak

Office Hours vary based on need. nhowe@umcb.org, 440-234-3525 x101 cantczak@umcb.org, 440-234-3525 x105

Please note: Friday is a day of Sabbath for our pastors, a time to rest and restore. We kindly ask that you please refrain from calling or texting them on this day. If you are in need of emergency pastoral care, please contact the church office (440-234-3525 x100, info@umcb.org) and one of the pastors will respond as soon as possible.