

“Empowered by God’s grace, as members of the Union Baptist Church, we gather together in community as the Body of Christ seeking to strengthen our faith and serve the world with love in response to God’s call.”

~ Mission Statement of Union Baptist Church ~

THE UNION BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, September 12, 2021 **Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

10:30 a.m.

WELCOME!

*If you are our guest this morning we are glad you have joined us!
Please take a moment to complete the Welcome Card in the pew rack and drop it
in the offering plate, or return it to a worship leader.*

Please Note: *The offering plates will not be passed during the service.
Plates are available at both entrances/exits.*

Welcome		Courtney Assad
Prelude	<i>Breathe on Me, Breath of God</i>	LEE
Call to Worship		Courtney Assad
One:	We proclaim the message of the cross:	
Many:	This is the wisdom and power of God.	
One:	For God alone my soul waits in silence.	
Many:	Steadfast love belongs to the Lord.	
One:	Jesus said: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me.	
Many:	May the word of God be fulfilled among us.	
	(Austin D. Hill; used by permission)	
*Hymn of Praise #543	<i>Abide with Me</i>	EVENTIDE
*Invocation and Lord's Prayer ("debts")		Courtney Assad
*Gloria Patri	Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen.	
Bringing of Gifts		
Prayer		
Offertory	<i>Peace Be with You</i>	GAWTHROOP
*Doxology	Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Christ, all people here below; Alleluia, Alleluia. Praise Holy Spirit evermore: Praise Triune God, whom we adore; Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.	LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Family Ministry Moment		Harry Watson

Special Recognition		Mark Larson
Anthem	<i>Blessed Shall They Be</i> Chancel Choir	SLEETH
Call for Prayer		Dr. Brown
Prayers of the People		
Pastoral Prayer		
*Hymn of Preparation #276	<i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness</i>	FAITHFULNESS
Scripture (New Test. p. 180)	James 3:1-12	Bill Thorndike
Sermon	“Controlling the Narrative”	Dr. Brown
*Hymn of Dedication #324	<i>Open My Eyes That I May See</i>	OPEN MY EYES
*Benediction		Dr. Brown
Postlude	<i>Voluntary in F</i>	LAU

**(For those who are able, please stand)*

IN REMEMBRANCE

Today’s worship flowers are given by Harry Watson in memory of his daughter Mindy.

TODAY’S PARTICIPANTS

Cantor: Mark Larson

Greeter: Bill Adams

Ushers: Bonnie & Chip Fitzmorris

AN INVITATION

The members of Union Baptist Church sincerely extend to you the invitation to follow the Master, Jesus Christ as a member of our congregation. A member is received in one of the following ways:

- (1) transfer of letter of membership from another Christian Church
- (2) upon profession of faith and baptism
- (3) statement of faith when no record of membership/baptism can be secured from one’s former church, or
- (4) restoration of active membership if previously a member became inactive

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, September 12

9:00 A.M. Sunday Morning Forum (ZOOM)

10:30 A.M. Worship (S/Facebook Live)

11:30 A.M. ALL-CHURCH PICNIC

Monday, September 13

9:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study (ZOOM)

10:00 A.M. Kindermusik w/Miss Molly (HT)

6:45 P.M. Mystic River Chorale Auditions (S)

7:00 P.M. Al-Anon (MPR/ZOOM)

7:00 P.M. OA (Zoom)

Tuesday, September 14

10:00 A.M. Mat Yoga (ZOOM)

11:00 A.M. Kindermusik w/Miss Molly (HT)

Wednesday, September 15

9:15 A.M. Kindermusik w/Miss Molly (HT)

10:00 A.M. Women's Bible Study (ZOOM)

12:00 P.M. OA (Zoom)

6:00 P.M. ACOA (FH)

Thursday, September 16

9:15 A.M. Kindermusik w/Miss Molly (HT)

10:00 A.M. Chair Yoga (ZOOM)

4:30 P.M. AA (FH)

5:45 P.M. Handbell Rehearsal (HT)

6:00 P.M. Evening Bible Study (ZOOM)

6:30 P.M. Social Justice Team (see Rev. Brown)

7:30 P.M. Chancel Choir (FH)

Friday, September 17

9:15 A.M. Kindermusik w/Miss Molly (HT)

1:00 P.M. Crafting in Joanie's Room (MH)

7:30 P.M. Women's AA (ZOOM)

Saturday, September 18

7:00 P.M. AA (FH)

Sunday, September 19

9:00 A.M. Sunday Morning Forum (ZOOM)

10:30 A.M. Worship (S/Facebook Live)

PRAYERS & CONCERNS

Fran Brayman

Charley Eastman (Sue & Charlie's son)

Bob Leuba

Conrad Weller (nephew of Shannon Olexy)

Dick Wheeler (Bob Wheeler's brother)

We thank you for your generosity in giving, in service, and in faith! Union Baptist Church finds its strength through our togetherness in ministry for the sake of Christ, and we thank you for all you give to bring life and vitality to our mission.

The new pledge year begins July 1, 2021. Extra pledge cards can be found in the foyer. If you need offering envelopes, information about online giving, or have questions, contact the church Treasurer,

Carl Strand at 860-536-6844.

†📖 **Lectionary Readings** 📖†
for Weekly Bible Studies

Week of September 12

Proverbs 1:20-33 Psalm 19

James 3:1-2 Mark 8:27-38

Well, summer is almost over. It sure went quick... There's never enough time to do all the nothing you want.

~Bill Watterson, Calvin and Hobbes
(comic strip), 1988



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