

Birthdays

24 Dax Weaver
 25 Logan Jensen
 27 Gene Belknap

Anniversaries

26 Mike & Kathy Crawford

UPCOMING AUGUST EVENTS – MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

Sunday, August 29 – Pastor Sheryl Ashley leads worship and brings the message.
 August 29 – Retirement reception to honor Rev. Barb Spaulding at TLC from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
 August 29 – Rock Branch Church – Show 'N Shine, 2-5 p.m. Ice cream and brownie served

UPCOMING SEPTEMBER EVENTS:

Community Basket – September Donation - Socks

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Worship time will change Sunday, September 5th to 10:15 am

Sunday, September 5 - Celebration of Holy Communion

Monday, September 6 - OFFICE CLOSED Happy Labor Day

Wednesday, September 8 – UMW Luncheon at 12:30 pm

Thursday, September 9 – Ad Council Meeting at 7 pm

Sunday, September 12 – “Sunday School Kick Off” at 9 am with potluck following service

Friday, September 17 - UMW Soup & Pie Luncheon 11 am – 1 pm (watch for clipboards)



Joys & Concerns



*The families of:
Ginny Seitzinger &
Larry Countryman*

Welcome, Announcements,

*Celebration Songs

Morning Has Broken

No. 145

Morning has broken like the first morning;
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from Heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's re-creation of the new day!

*Call to Worship

God is here. We will celebrate!

LET US CELEBRATE GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR MIDST.

Celebrate with joy and pride.

WE WILL CELEBRATE GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR LIVES TODAY AND ALWAYS.

Congregational Prayer (in unison)

Father God, we confess our need of you. We did not create ourselves. We cannot cause the sun to shine or rain to fall. Our human existence comes from our understanding of you. Purpose and direction and love and hope in life come from knowing you. Thank you for leading us to the fulfillment of our needs and providing Jesus as our guide, strength and savior in whose name we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayers and the Lord's Prayer

***Hymn**

Blessed Assurance

No. 369

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
 Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
 Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
 born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song,
 praising my Savior all the day long.
 This is my story, this is my song,
 praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
 visions of rapture now burst on my sight.
 Angels descending bring from above
 echoes of mercy, whispers of love. [Refrain]

Perfect submission, all is at rest.
 I in my Savior am happy and blessed,
 watching and waiting, looking above,
 filled with his goodness, lost in his love. [Refrain]

Scripture**John 6:60-69 (Revised English Bible)**

⁶⁰ On hearing them, many of his disciples exclaimed, 'This is more than we can stand! How can anyone listen to such talk?' ⁶¹ Jesus was aware that his disciples were grumbling about it and asked them, 'Does this shock you?' ⁶² Then what if you see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³ It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh can achieve nothing; the words I have spoken to you are both spirit and life. ⁶⁴ Yet there are some of you who have no faith.' For Jesus knew from the outset who were without faith and who was to betray him. ⁶⁵ So he said, 'This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it has been granted to him by the Father.' ⁶⁶ From that moment many of his disciples drew back and no longer went about with him. ⁶⁷ So Jesus asked the Twelve, 'Do you also want to leave?' ⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom shall we go? Your words are words of eternal life. ⁶⁹ We believe and know that you are God's Holy One.'

The Word of the Lord!
THANKS BE TO GOD!

Words of Preparation**Message**

Pastoral Prayer

*Doxology/Presentation of Gifts

No. 682 v. 5

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!

*Hymn

Wonderful Words of Life

No. 600

Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life;
 let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life;
 words of life and beauty teach me faith and duty.

Refrain:

Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.
 Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.

Christ, the blessed one, gives to all wonderful words of life;
 sinner, list to the loving call, wonderful words of life;
 all so freely given, wooing us to heaven. [Refrain]

Sweetly echo the gospel call, wonderful words of life;
 offer pardon and peace to all, wonderful words of life;
 Jesus, only Savior, sanctify forever. [Refrain]

*Benediction & Dismissal

Thank you for joining us. Have a blessed week!

ATTENDANCE August 15 – 57

	Actual Received	Budgeted Need
Year-to-Date	\$57,365.25	\$69,871.23
Last Month	\$7,265.00	\$9,175.00
Weekly Average (Last 4 wks.)	\$1,426.00	\$2,117.31

Guatemalan Mission Opportunity

Each Sunday you have an opportunity to give a monetary gift to help support Yennifer, a student from Guatemala in her education journey. A container is available at the back of the sanctuary to place your donation in. If you are unable to worship with us, you may mail in your monetary gift to the church office. Please continue to keep Yennifer and her family in your prayers during this time.

Community Basket – September Donation

For the month of September, we are collecting socks that will be given to the Community Basket. You may bring your donations to church on Sunday's, or you may drop them off at the Community Basket. Thank you for helping those in need! Saturday, September 18th, food distribution will be held at the Anthon community center at 10 a.m.

The UMW is gathering items for school kits this month. You can bring your items and leave them in the black tote in the church lobby.

Student Kits

3 Notebooks, - 1 subject spiral 8 x 10.5
1 ruler 12' long with metric
6 unsharpened pencils
1 pencil sharpener
1 pencil eraser 2' or larger
1 box of 12 colored pencils
1 box of 24 crayons
1 pair of student scissors

Endowment Fund

MUMC has a Permanent Endowment Fund. Your charitable gift will continue to work forever. Gifts can be made outright, can be memorials to family or friends, or bequests within your estate planning. You may designate the gift to a specific fund within the endowment: General, Building, Missions, Special Ministries, or Education. The fund's interest earned may then be used. After the first quarter of 2021 the approximate interest values for each were: General \$15,800; Building \$6700; Missions \$500; Special Ministries \$300; Education \$4300. Contact the church office if you would like to learn more about the MUMC Endowment Fund.