



Saturday, October 16th, food distribution will be at the K-P middle school, Pierson, at 10 a.m.

**UPCOMING OCTOBER EVENTS:**

Sunday, October 3: Celebration of communion



Wednesday, October 13: UMW luncheon at 12:30 pm Pledge Service with Sandy Baker serving lunch.

Thursday, October 14: Ad Council Meeting at 7 pm

Sunday, October 17: Darla Rock from Pierson is the worship leader and preacher.

Wednesday, October 20: Deadline for November newsletter.

Sunday, October 31: Pastor Sheryl is worship leader and preacher.

Charge Conference, 2:00pm at Hornick UMC. Lunch will be served 12 pm – 2 pm

**Hurricane "IDA RELIEF"**  
Your generous donation to "IDA RELIEF" through our church raised \$99.00 to help United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) to respond to the needs of many people and families.



**Joys & Concerns**

## Welcome & Announcements

**\*Opening Hymn** All Creatures of Our God and King No. 62 vs. 1, 4, 5, 7

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing  
 O praise ye! Alleluia!  
 O brother sun with golden beam, O sister moon with silver gleam!  
 O praise ye! O praise ye! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Dear Mother Earth, who day by day unfoldest blessings on our way,  
 Alleluia! Alleluia!  
 The flowers and fruits that in thee grow, let them God's glory also show!  
 O praise ye! O praise ye! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All ye who are of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part,  
 O praise ye! Alleluia!  
 Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on him cast your care!  
 O praise ye! O praise ye! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness,  
 O praise ye! Alleluia!  
 Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One!  
 O praise ye! O praise ye! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## \*Call to Worship

Good news!

**JESUS IS ALIVE! GOD IS WITH US!**

With Christians everywhere –

**WE GATHER TO CELEBRATE THE GOOD NEWS. WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD.**

Come now, and worship God.

**WE COME AND REMEMBER JESUS.**

## Congregational Prayer (in unison)

Because God loves all God's children, let us ask God to forgive us. O God, in your great mercy forgive us for the wrong things we've done and free us from thinking only of ourselves, that we may choose to do your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

## Silent Prayers and the Lord's Prayer



**Young Disciples Time**

**\*Hymn**

How Can We Name a Love

No. 111

How can we name a love that wakens heart and mind,  
 indwelling all we know or think or do or seek or find?  
 Within our daily world, in every human face,  
 Love's echoes sound and God is found, hid in the commonplace.

If we awoke to life built on a rock of care  
 that asked no great reward but firm, assured, was simply there,  
 we can, with parents' names, describe, and thus adore,  
 Love unconfined, our father kind, our mother strong and sure.

When people share a task, and strength and skills unite  
 in projects old or new, to make or do with shared delight,  
 our Friend and Partner's will is better understood,  
 that all should share, create, and care, and know that life is good.

So in a hundred names, each day we all can meet  
 a presence, sensed and shown at work, at home or in the street.  
 Yet every name we see, shine in a brighter sun:  
 In Christ alone Love full grown and life and hope begun.

**Scripture****Philippians 3: 7-11**

<sup>7</sup> But all such assets I have written off because of Christ. <sup>8</sup> More than that, I count everything sheer loss, far outweighed by the gain of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I did in fact forfeit everything. I count it so much rubbish, for the sake of gaining Christ <sup>9</sup> and finding myself in union with him, with no righteousness of my own based on the law, nothing but the righteousness which comes from faith in Christ, given by God in response to faith. <sup>10</sup> My one desire is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and to share his sufferings in growing conformity with his death, <sup>11</sup> in hope of somehow attaining the resurrection from the dead.

The Word of God for the people of God.

**THANKS BE TO GOD.**

**Words of Preparation****Message**

**Pastoral Prayer with Response: "hear our prayer"**

Let us pray for our friends. *Silent prayer.*  
 Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for our families. *Silent prayer.*  
 Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for the church. *Silent prayer.*  
 Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for the world. *Silent prayer.*  
 Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

**O God, you hear and answer all our prayers.  
 Bless us as we prepare for communion,  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*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!

**Holy Communion – The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

It is right to give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

We thank you, God, Father and Mother of us all.  
 From the beginning you made the world and all its creatures;  
 you made people live for you and for each other.

**We praise you, God.**

You created Adam and Eve and gave them a garden.  
 You showed Noah a rainbow.  
 You gave strength to Moses to free his people and taught Miriam to sing.  
 You gave courage to Esther and loyalty to Ruth.  
 You helped David defeat the giant and gave him a harp to sing with.

**We praise you, God.**

And yet even they turned away from you  
 and forgot about you, as we do too.  
 But you did not forget.

You sent your only child Jesus to the world to show how much you love us and to bring us back to you again.

**We praise you, God.**

As one of us he came, at first a tender infant, then a child, a youth and an adult.

He rejoiced with those who rejoiced and wept with those who wept.

To the despairing he spoke a word of hope.

To the sick he gave healing.

To the rejected he was a friend.

And yet he was betrayed and nailed to a cross.

But he was lifted from the grave and restored to life,

That he might be with us and we with him.

Therefore, with all the saints, and with angels in the heavens, our hearts beat with happiness and we say:

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

\*Hymn

Take Our Bread

No. 640

Take our bread, we ask you; take our hearts, we love you.

Take our lives, O Father, we are yours, we are yours.

Yours as we stand at the table you set;

yours as we eat the bread our hearts can't forget.

We are the signs of your life with us yet,

we are yours, we are yours.

Take our bread, we ask you; take our hearts, we love you.

Take our lives, O Father, we are yours, we are yours.

Your holy people stand washed in your blood,

Spirit-filled yet hungry, we await your food.

We are poor, but we brought ourselves the best we could;

we are yours, we are yours.

Take our bread, we ask you; take our hearts, we love you.

Take our lives, O Father, we are yours, we are yours.

**\*Benediction & Dismissal**

*Thank you for joining us. Have a blessed week!*

ATTENDANCE September 26 – 35

	Actual Received	Budgeted Need
Y-T-D Expenses Through August	\$61,675	\$73,700
Y-T-D Income Received	\$64,207	\$82,557
August Income Received	\$5,331	\$9,175
Wkly Ave Income Rcvd (Last 4 wks)	\$1,332	\$2,117

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**Community Basket – October Donation**

For the month of October, we are collecting laundry soap 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!

**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.

**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 second 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.

**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