

The Messenger

Mogadore United
Methodist Church

August 2024

For this month I'd like to share with you the biblical job description of a pastor in 54 words.

It was Christ Himself who gave pastors to equip His people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God, becoming mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

Gratefully yours,
Pastor Dave

Adult Sunday School

Resuming the first Sunday in August at 10 am.

As children we were told of the shepherd boy that saved Israel at 9 or 10. It was so great that God would send a child to serve his people.

David is one of the most interesting people in the bible. He is blessed by God and set on the path of righteousness but sometimes he strays. He is smart, he is foolish, he is happy, he is sad, he is reverent and sometimes not. He is victorious and he is defeated. He is loved, he is hated, he is us.

You all know that David slew Goliath and saved the nation but as Paul Harvey used to say "Do you know the rest of the story?" It is truly a fascinating story. Come and hear the full story of King David and I will make coffee.

- Fred Slocum

Bible Study Update

Bible Study resumes September 10 or 11. The existing study group will have two options:

Continue meeting on Wednesdays, with a group member acting as facilitator

OR

switch to Tuesdays, with the pastor acting as facilitator.

Regardless of the day, we will resume with chapter 8 of Acts. You are encouraged to finish reading and reflecting upon the remainder of Acts before Bible Study resumes. Visitors and new members are welcome! If neither of the above schedules work for people interested in participating in a Bible study, you are always encouraged to start your own study groups at a time and place convenient for you.

Treasurer's Report

Balance in General Fund as of January 1, 2024		\$ 7,520.69
Edward Jones Appreciation (Depreciation)		14,200.10
January Offerings	13,732.43	
January Disbursements	15,754.17	(-2,021.74)
February Offerings	7,232.43	
February Disbursements	11,598.09	(-4,365.66)
March Offerings	11,422.87	
March Disbursements	11,423.22	(-.35)
April Offerings	8,654.05	
April Disbursements	11,524.81	(12,870.76)
May Offerings	7,083.40	
May Disbursements	13,119.01	(-6,035.61)
June Offerings	10,097.28	
June Disbursements	10,846.93	(-749.65)
Ending Balance as of June 30th , 2024		6,571.477

Our June offerings of \$10,097.28 were probably pretty close to our new normal, and our June disbursements of \$10,846.93 were about normal . With our church going to a part-time minister, and the parsonage no longer being used, our finances will definitely reflect some changes in the 2nd half of the year. If you are interested in on-line giving, please contact Kathy Lang and she can get you set up. If you are unable to attend our Sunday morning service, offerings can be mailed to the church or to my home address of 13523 Iris Ave., NW, Mogadore, OH 44260. Barry Rudy, Treasurer

August Birthdays

August 2nd	Barry Rudy
August 10th	Larry Fitting
August 13th	Barb Skye
August 14th	Landon Shultz
August 17th	Josie Westfall
August 17th	Jessica Thomas
August 19th	Kathy Lang
August 19th	Dave Haydu
August 21st	Finn Suihkonen
August 23rd	Marie Lipocky
August 28th	Isabella Francek
August 29th	Doug Straight
August 29th	Stacey Suihkonen



August Anniversaries

August 8th	Russ & Joyce Hull
August 27th	Tom & Fran McClary
August 30th	Dan & Jessica Straight

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH & CIRCLES

All women are invited into the fellowship of the United Women in Faith. Our focus has always been mission driven with particular emphasis on women and children. The Mogadore unit of UWF meets the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM unless otherwise specified. All women in the Mogadore unit by long tradition are invited to attend a monthly circle meeting. We have two circles: Naomi, which meets the third Monday at 6:00 PM in members homes and/or Fellowship Hall. Rebecca Circle meets the second Wednesday at 6:30 PM in members homes.

August 14th	Rebecca Circle will meet at Joye Hulls house
August 19th	Naomi Circle will meet at Sharon Fitting's for a poolside covered dish picnic.
August 27th	UMF will meet at Wingfoot Park at 5:30 PM for their Annual Covered Dish Picnic

Praising Our Savior

Throughout the coming months, we'll be exploring a variety of possible worship activities for Sunday morning services and for extra worship experiences beyond Sunday morning. We need your support and participation in this endeavor. We ask that you prayerfully consider the spiritual gifts and talents with which the Lord has blessed you. In what area are you specially equipped to serve? We're trusting that the Spirit will take each of our unique talents and blend them together to bring a special quality to every service, in order to help guarantee that each time someone comes to church, they know they've been touched by Jesus. One important component of a worship experience is an atmosphere of relationship building. Lots of people working together will have a greater impact than those working in isolation. We always have room for additional participants in our worship. We'd like you to consider making a commitment to include yourself in one or more of the following ways.

Weekly Worship Team Purposes and Duties

Purpose:

Alter Guild: Helps prepare the sanctuary's appearance and functionality for a variety of worship experiences.

Greeters: Are the welcoming presence, setting the tone for our mutual interactions.

Ushers: Help orchestrate the dynamics of creating and maintaining a positive worship experience.

Worship Leaders: Assist the Pastor in providing the presentation of God's loving message to His people.

Media Operators: oversee the streaming service and the media presentation in the sanctuary during the service, as well as prepare necessary materials in advance of service.

Junior Church Leaders: Bond with, entertain, and educate our little ones in their exploration of God's love.

Responsibilities

Altar Guild: Ensures the paraments are the proper color for the church season, prepares the elements for communion, and manages the floral arrangements or other special components like offering plates.

Greeters: Assist visitors, helping put them at ease while providing information and directions as needed. Provide warm and loving interactions with all who enter.

Ushers: Make sure the physical atmosphere is comfortable: lighting, temperature, air flow. Assisting with communion, overseeing the gathering of offerings, and lighting of the candles. Assist individual worshippers with any personal concerns they may have

Worship Leaders: Share leadership duties with the Pastor. These generally include welcoming, leading responsive readings, introducing hymns, reciting prayers, guiding transitions among service elements, assisting with offering components, occasionally reading scripture.

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Responsibilities Cont'd

Media Operators: Prepare visual for the service, make sure the streaming features are operating properly, adjust monitors and controls as needed.

Junior Church Leaders: Make use of previously prepared curriculum to provide varied experiences for the children. You play, creat, and assit them in processing information about the Bible and God;s love for all His creation.

If you feel called to serve in one of these or some other service capacity, please contact the Pastor for additional information. As part of the body of Christ and this family of faith, you are special and your love will provide encouragement and support to all who enter our sanctuary.

Introducing Scott Romero

We would like you to meet Scott Romero, who has been attending our church since January of this year and plans to become a member. Scott suffered a traumatic brain injury at the age of two which has left him with some disabilities, but he knows his bible inside out! Scott asked to share this spiritual encouragement with you.

Jesus reminds us to pray, listen and obey.

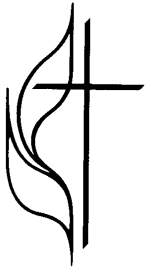
- Pray – talk to Jesus; He loves us and He died for our sins.
- Listen to Jesus, listen to our neighbors as yourself.
- Obey Jesus; be kind to one another.

Thank You Ellet Sign Company!

Thank you to the Ellet Sign Company for their donation of the two sign inserts noting the new time for worship and Pastor Dave's name. They have provided us with FREE sign changes with every pastoral change.

August 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 Adult Sunday School 10 AM 11:00 AM Worship	5	6	7 Girl Scouts 6 PM	8	9	10
11 Adult Sunday School 10 AM 11:00 AM Worship Holy Communion	12	13	14 Rebecca Circle 6:30 PM	15	16 Open M 7:30 AM	17
18 Adult Sunday School 10 AM 11:00 AM Worship	19 Naomi Circle Poolside Picnic 6 PM September Newsletter Deadline	20	21 Girl Scouts 6 PM Portage Pathers 10:30 AM	22	23	24
25 Adult Sunday School 10 AM 11:00 AM Worship	26	27 UWF Picnic 5:30 PM @ Wingfoot Park	28	29	30	31



Church Staff:

Pastor: David Haydu

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Accompanist: Susan Riggan

The mission of the Mogadore United Methodist Church is to follow the example of Jesus Christ, demonstrating Christ's love and service to others through worship, outreach, fellowship, and spiritual growth.

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