

# The Messenger

Mogadore United  
Methodist Church

October 2024

## Adding to Our Faith

Starting the first week of October our church will offer two morning bible studies. I will facilitate every Tuesday from 10-11 am and Russ Hull will facilitate every Wednesday starting at 10 am. If you can make one, fine. Or the other, good. Both? Why not. Make it your goal to add to your faith, knowledge.

Sincerely,

Pastor Dave

IN ADDITION: Please take some time to read 2nd Peter chapter 1. Peter does a nice job explaining how Christ followers should occupy till Jesus comes.

\*\*\*\*\*

### Bible Study

The Wednesday group is continuing, with Russ Hull as facilitator. We are currently nearing the end of Acts, and the group will soon decide what to study next. **A Tuesday study**, led by Pastor Dave, is starting October 1st. **Sunday morning's group** is led by Fred Slocum. Everyone is welcome to attend any or all 3 of the studies. You are also encouraged to spend time in the bible beyond these regular studies. Daily devotions feed the spirit.

\*\*\*\*\*

### Crop Walk

Once again, our church is supporting the annual CROP walk, **Sunday Oct. 13th, 1:45 P.M.** at Goodyear Heights Metro Park. Most of you are familiar with the fantastic work done by this charity event. 25% of donations stay in the greater Akron area to help eradicate local hunger. The remainder supports programs that enhance opportunities for struggling people to become more self-sufficient. Tools, farming supplies, water resources, and technical know how to provide the chance for people to improve access to necessary food sources. Walk with us if you can; if you can't, remember we rely on your continued prayers and financial support to touch the lives of so many who need us, You may bring or send your donation made out to the church, marked CROP in the memo space. Please contact Barry Rudy if you plan to walk.

\*\*\*\*\*

## 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)
July Offerings	7,753.53	
July Disbursements	9,181.78	(-1,428.25)
August Offerings	11,842.42	
August Disbursements	7,400.11	4,442.31
<b>Ending Balance as of August 31, 2024</b>		<b>9,585.53</b>

Our August offerings of \$11,842.42 were our best since January, and our August disbursements of \$7,400.11 were a little below normal. 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

## *October Birthdays*

October 6th	Lucas Soles
October 6th	Rita Ostrovsky
October 8th	Kathryn Roepke
October 10th	Don Whitmer
October 13th	Joe Smith
October 15th	Duane Doss
October 15th	Tabitha Rinehart
October 16th	Seth Seibel
October 23rd	Cheryl Rudy
October 28th	Wesley Peak
October 30th	Zoey Straight



## *October Anniversaries*

October 9th	Tony & Lisa Seibel
October 26th	George & Sue Thomas
October 28th	John & Bette Sawicki

\*\*\*\*\*

## **UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH & CIRCLES**

At the UWF September meeting we decided that our fundraiser this year will not be pies, but pumpkin bread! The bread will be sold after church on November 3rd and will be baked and ready for you to freeze for later or eat immediately! Yum! The cost will be \$5.00 per loaf. All money raised will help us support missions as we have for many years. Thank you in advance for your support!

We look forward to seeing all women of Mogadore UMC at our meeting on October 22nd at 6:30 in Fellowship Hall. Our program will be presented by Naomi Circle, Kelly Rick will provide devotions, and our hostesses will be Carol Groh and Kelly Rick. UWF will be needing your 5x9 loaf pans for baking the pumpkin bread so please bring them to this meeting. Make sure you label them with your name.

Naomi Circle will be meeting this month on October 21st at 6 P.M. at Bette Sawicki's house.

Rebecca Circle will meet on October 9th at 6:30 P.M. in Fellowship Hall. Our hostess will be Lynn Straight

The East Ohio Conference UWF Annual Celebration will be October 26th at Faith UMC in North Canton. The theme is "Women United in Mission" and breakfast starts at 9 A.M.

**“Campfire” evening: a joyful event for all ages!**

**Saturday October 12th**

(6:00P.M.—open ended finishing time)

Come at any time that fits your evening schedule. We will provide hot dogs, chips and beverages, plus snacks. A variety of games will be available throughout the evening, as well as a “campfire” including music and conversation. You will need your lawn-chair, but everything else is being provided. Come join in the fellowship! Bring a friend or neighbor; EVERYONE in the community is invited! In case of **inclement weather**, the “campfire” will be cancelled, but **we will move inside** for an evening meal & family game night.

\*\*\*\*\*

**Service**

Each of us when we became church members pledged our time, talents and tithes. Each of us have gifts from God. Service to our church is an important part of membership.

In my 50 years as a member under 13 pastors, I have tried to serve in any way I can. In the late 1970s and early 1980s, Reba and I were youth leaders. I have been an usher, greeter, eulogist, Sunday school teacher, and from time to time brought the message. I have served on and chaired the Executive Committee. I have been the representative to annual conference, I have been your lay leader, and in the 1990s I coached youth softball team to five great seasons. Now if I with my limited talents can do this, think about what you could do for our church.

Many have told me for many reasons they can’t serve. Too busy, too many other responsibilities, too old, too young and any other reasons they could come up with.

One of my favorite quotes is from Robert Kennedy. “Some see things as they are and ask why? I see things as they could be and ask why not?” Your church needs a few why nots. Are you a why not? If not, why not? Service to humanity is the best work of life, Try it. You might like it.

Love in Christ,  
Fred Slocum

# CONVERSATIONS ABOUT THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR

Thursday morning's from 10am-11am at Mogadore UMC

—THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER—

Sunday school / Hospitality Room



EVERYONE IS WELCOME

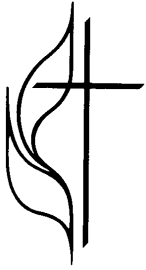
to listen to **FRED SLOCUM** share his knowledge and passion.

QUESTIONS ARE ENCOURAGED.

The Holy Bible played a complex and multifaceted role in The American Civil War. While it provided a common ground for many Americans, it also served as a source of division and controversy. The war's legacy continues to be debated, and the Bible's role in shaping the conflict remains a subject of scholarly inquiry.

# October 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Bible Study 10-11 AM	2 Bible Study 10 AM	3	4	5 Joann Wolon- sky Celebra- tion of Life @ 11 AM
6	7	8 Bible Study 10-11 AM	9 Rebecca Cir- cle Meets @ 6:30 PM Bible Study 10 AM	10	11	12 Community Campfire Starting @ 6 PM
13 Holy Com- munion  Crop Walk @ 1:45 PM	14	15 Bible Study 10-11 AM	16 Bible Study 10 AM	17	18 Open M Meet in church park- ing lot @ 7:30 AM	19
20	21 Naomi Circle Meets @ 6 PM	22 Bible Study 10-11 AM  UWF Meet- ing @ 6:30 PM	23 Bible Study 10 AM	24 SPRC Charge Conference Consultation	25	26 UWF Annual Celebration @ Faith UMC @ 9 AM
27	28	29 Bible Study 10-11 AM	30 Bible Study 10 AM	31		



**Church Staff:**

Pastor: David Haydu

Pastor's Cell: (330) 807-2243

Secretary: Samantha Hambright

Church: (330) 628-1232

Accompanist: Susan Riffin

Custodian: David Smith

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.

Mogadore United Methodist Church  
3828 Mogadore Road, Mogadore, OH 44260  
(330) 628-1232 Email: [mogadoreumc@att.net](mailto:mogadoreumc@att.net)  
Website: [www.mogadoreumc.org](http://www.mogadoreumc.org)  
Find us on Facebook!  
Church Office Hours:  
Tuesday: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Wednesday & Thursday: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.