

WELCOME TO CEDAR GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

****PRAISE SONG** "CHAIN BREAKER" ON SCREEN

****OPENING PRAYER** DARLA BEVER

Faithful God, in the flaming bush you promised deliverance to your people, O God, and in the cross of Jesus you embraced our suffering and pain. In times of misery show us the transforming power of your love that we may know the hope of your glory. Make us strong to witness to your life-giving power, in generosity of life and in humility of spirit, that all the world may delight in your goodness. Amen.

****PRAISE SONG** "AMAZING GRACE MY CHAINS ARE GONE" ON SCREEN

WELCOME PHIL BARBAROW

We welcome everyone to the House of the Lord! Welcome to all of you who are with us in person, watching on Facebook, or listening on the radio. May you all be richly blessed with God's presence as you worship with us. If you are watching live on Facebook, please sign in or add a comment to our page. **SEPT/OCT UPPER ROOMS AVAILABLE IN NARTHEX. UPCOMING OCTOBERFEST IS SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 14. SIGN UP SHEETS IN NARTHEX**

****CALL TO WORSHIP** (Adapted from Psalm 105) LITURGIST

LEADER: Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done.

PEOPLE: Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.

L: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

P: Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.

L: Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced.

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****INVOCATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT** LITURGIST

Holy Father, this is Your Word for my life at this time and in this place. Today I am a new creation in Christ, and I believe that He has a purpose for my life. Open my heart to the working of Your Word and Your Holy Spirit, that I may be transformed into Your new creation. Amen.

FIRST READING: EXODUS 3:1-15 SAUNDRA BOLEY

****HYMN** "RESCUE THE PERISHING" UMH 591

JOYS/TESTIMONIES/BIRTHDAYS: 3RD TANYA POWELL, 5TH JACKSON HALE, 7TH WYATT YATES, 8TH JIM COX
NO KNOWN AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

****DOXOLOGY** "PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW" UMH 95

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE DONNA ELLIOTT

PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAYER /LORD'S PRAYER LITURGIST

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT SAM BEVER

NEW TESTAMENT READING ROMANS 12:9-21 LITURGIST

****HYMN** "WHEN THE CHURCH OF JESUS" UMH 592

GOSPEL READING MATTHEW 16:21-28 PASTOR BOLEY

SERMON "FREE THE SLAVES" PASTOR BOLEY

HOLY COMMUNION ("O COME TO THE ALTAR") ON SCREEN

****CLOSING HYMN** "HERE I AM, LORD" UMH 593

BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL PASTOR BOLEY

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

3RD WORSHIP SERVICE CEDAR GROVE ASSISTED LIVING 2pm

4TH HELP AND HOPE SUPPORT GROUP 7pm

5TH BREAKFAST AT CHERYL'S DINER AT 9am

6TH **NEW DAYTIME BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP 1PM**

6TH EVENING BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP 7pm

10TH VAUGHT CHAPEL HOMECOMING

11TH FINANCE COMM. MTG -- 2024 BUDGET 6pm

12TH CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR EILEEN RITENOUR 6pm CIVITAN PARK GAZEBO

OFFERINGS AND ATTENDANCE

<u>NEEDED MONTHLY (to meet 2023 budget)</u>	<u>\$11,114.00</u>
<u>NEEDED WEEKLY</u>	<u>\$2,565.00</u>
<u>TOTAL MONTHLY GIVING</u>	<u>\$8,102.00</u>
<u>WEEKLY GIVING AUGUST 27</u>	<u>\$1801.00</u>
<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>44</u>
<u>JESUS DOLLARS</u>	<u>\$146.00</u>

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