



“The most incredible thing about miracles is that they happen.” G K Chesterton

PRELUDE & LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
WELCOME GREETING
ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD
“Word of God Speak”

Sandra Morris
Pastor Karen Griswold
Lauren Flora

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader: How shall we live in the love of God?
PEOPLE: We will treat one another with fairness and dignity.
Leader: How shall we witness God’s forgiving love?
PEOPLE: We will reach out to others with compassion.
Leader: Come, let us worship God who has always loved us.
ALL: Let our worship of God be reflected in our lives of hope and peace. AMEN.

*RINGING OF THE BELL

*HYMN “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing” Lyric video

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING
OFFERTORY

*RESPONSE & PRESENTATION OF GIFTS “Praise Him! Praise Him!” chorus #12

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

YOUNG PEOPLES MOMENT

SPARK MOMENT

SPECIAL MUSIC “Send Us Forth” Sandra Morris
Send Us Forth – Composer Corner “Send Us Forth” was written in 2001 and centers on the events of 9/11-2001. The introduction was written during the first week of September 2001. As I had no title for the piece and no idea what would follow the introduction, the project was put aside. Then Sept 11th happened. Once I heard the news about the first plane hitting the World Trade Center, I spent some quality time in front of the tv trying to make sense of what I was seeing. Within a week or so the rest of this piece of music was written, along with the title. While I can’t say why something like this even had to happen, the timeline of how “Send Us Forth” came about certainly removed any lingering doubts I may have had that God is in control. I wish to thank Jim O’Donnell for providing pictures of the Flight 93 memorial, as well as all the members of our church band for making this music a reality.
- Daryl Reck, Sandra’s Brother

PASTORAL PRAYER
SILENT MEDITATION
THE LORD’S PRAYER

*HYMN “Let Us Break Bread Together” #460

SCRIPTURE Psalm 119:33-40 & Romans 13:8-14 (NIV) Lauren Flora
TODAY’S MESSAGE “Picking Up Sticks” Pastor Karen Griswold

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION – all are welcome

*HYMN “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” #33

*BLESSING & BENEDICTION
*CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE “This Little Light of Mine” See screens
POSTLUDE *Please stand if you are able.

CHURCH EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The candle on the altar represents our continued prayers for Peace.

THIS WEEK	TODAY	8:30 am Deacon’s Meeting Sacrament of Holy Communion during the service
	Sept 8	9:30 am Tuesday Mornings =Prayer & scripture review
	Sept 9	6:00 pm Porch Talk – parsonage front porch
COMING UP	Sept 13	9:00 am Youth Second Sunday Breakfast 1:00 pm Family Day at Youngs Dairy – meet at the Church 4:00 – 6:00 pm Scout meeting at the Church
	Sept 19	Newsletter deadline – please send information to Kathy Etgen
	Sept 20	Education Team meeting after Church
	Sept 26	6:00 pm Small Group at Andy & Bec Smith’s home

- **Family Day Event:** The Church will be sponsoring a family day event to Youngs Dairy on September 13th. Youth (under 21) will have their activities covered by the Church. We will be leaving at 1:00 from the Church. Anyone of any age is welcome to attend, feel free to bring your entire family. Adults attending who can transport youth, please let Rob Painter or Pastor Karen know by September 7th.
- **Youth Breakfast:** The Church will begin hosting a Second Sunday Youth Breakfast on the 2nd Sunday of every month. It will be for youth who are confirmation age (middle school/early high school). We will meet at 9:00am for breakfast and devotions. This will also provide youth with a chance to plan for upcoming activities. The first Second Sunday Breakfast will be September 13th. Please let Rob Painter or Pastor Karen know by September 7th so arrangements may be made.
- October will be our month to supply the Food Pantry. A list of items needed is posted in the mission corner.
- Your continued support is appreciated and may be mailed to West Liberty UCC, PO Box 427, West Liberty, OH 43357.

PRAYER REQUESTS and JOYS

Praying for someone is like wrapping them in a blanket of God’s Love



Rick & Renay Fullerton	Tony Grant	Deb Pattee-Chiles	Todd Harbour	Michelle Moffitt-Greene	Cheryl Wolford
Adam Heath	Deb Piatt	Sammy McInnis	Bill Badenhop	Dave Daulton	Debbie Hamilton
Sean & Kelsey Crowe	Robin Godwin	Pam Forsythe	Tara Tracey	Mark Wilson	Rick Zirkle
Springfield Hattian Community					
Our nursing home residents & shut-ins				Our service men & women	

Serving Today

Organist: Sandra Morris	Nursery:	Sound: Dennis McIntosh
Song Leader: Lauren Flora	Youth Message:	Screens: John Edwards
Ministers: The Entire Congregation	Jr. Church:	Videotaping: Bec Smith

Serving Next Week (Sept 13, 2026)

Organist: Rosie Michael	Nursery:	Sound: Ed Armentrout
Song Leader: Lauren Flora	Youth Message:	Screens: Brandy Powell
Ministers: The Entire Congregation	Jr. Church:	Videotaping: Bec Smith