



"No one can get inner peace by pouncing on it." Harry Emerson Fosdick

PRELUDE & LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
WELCOME GREETING
ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD
"It's A Miracle"

Rosie Michael
Pastor Karen Griswold
Lauren Flora

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Call on God with praise and thanksgiving.
PEOPLE: Tell of God's wonderful works.
Today we open ourselves to God's presence, let the hearts of all who seek God rejoice.
Leader: When we eat, we are reminded of God's provision.
When we drink pure water, we give thanks.
PEOPLE: Surely God has blessed us daily with strength and provision for the task we face.
Leader: We are guided by God's laws and statutes. We benefit from God's generosity.
PEOPLE: Let us all worship with joy and hope for a brighter tomorrow walking in the light of God.

*RINGING OF THE BELL

*HYMN "Lord I Lift Your Name on High" Lyric video

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING
OFFERTORY

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

YOUNG PEOPLES MOMENT Scott Griswold

PASTORAL PRAYER
SILENT MEDITATION
THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN "Change My Heart, O God" #654

SCRIPTURE Matthew 18:21-35 (NIV) Lauren Flora
TODAY'S MESSAGE "Non-Negotiable" Pastor Karen Griswold

CONFIRMATION AND WELCOMING NEW MEMBER

Congregational response: We will. We promise to show you love, to pray for you, to encourage you, and to walk with you in the way of Christ. We commit to being a community where you can ask questions, discover your gifts, serve others, and grow in grace. With God's help, we stand with you today and in all the days ahead.

*HYMN "Open My Eyes, That I May See" #563

*BLESSING & BENEDICTION

*CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE "My Tribute" #54

POSTLUDE *Please stand if you are able.

CHURCH EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

The rose on the altar is in celebration of the birth of Walker Ray Gentry. Son of Isabella De Luca and Dylan Gentry and Great Grandson of Darry & Paula Plank.

THIS WEEK	TODAY	1:00 pm	Family Day at Youngs Dairy – meet at the Church
		4:00 – 6:00 pm	Scout meeting at the Church
	Sept 15	9:30 am	Tuesday Mornings - Prayer & scripture review
	Sept 16	6:00 pm	Porch Talk – parsonage front porch
	Sept 19		Newsletter deadline – please send information to Kathy Etgen

COMING UP	Sept 20		Education Team meeting after Church
	Sept 26	6:00 pm	Small Group at Andy & Bec Smith's home
	Sept 27		Worship & Property Team meetings after Church

- Strengthening the Church Offering will be collected through the month of September. This special UCC offering supports the expansion of ministry and growth of UCC local congregations. Your support of this offering will help fulfill the Church's commitment to creating a just world for all by investing in new ministries and practices that meet the needs of local communities. Donation envelopes are in the pew holders.
- 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	
Adam Heath	Deb Piatt	Sammy McInnis	Bill Badenhop	Debbie Hamilton	Sean & Kelsey Crowe
Robin Godwin	Pam Forsythe	Tara Tracey	Mark Wilson	Rick Zirkle	Karl Marshall

Springfield Hattian Community Our nursing home residents & shut-ins Our service men & women

Serving Today

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

Serving Next Week (Sept 20, 2026)

Organist: Rosie Michael	Nursery:	Sound: Elisa Lash
Song Leader: Lauren Flora	Youth Message: Rob Painter	Screens: Ed Armentrout
Ministers: The Entire Congregation	Jr. Church: Julie/Olivia Wilcox	Videotaping: Bec Smith