

EAST FAIRFIELD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor: Rev. Lisa Courtwright

Organist: Ruth Rowley

Ministers: The Congregation

Pianist: Nancy Setinsek

Choir Director: Randy Hart

Sunday, November 9, 2025

Twenty-second Sunday After Pentecost

**Please stand in body or spirit as you are able*

Welcome! *You are invited to take this time to prepare for worship. In these moments, quiet your inner voice, become aware of being in community with others, and open your heart & mind to the leading of the Holy Spirit.*

GATHERING

*Contemplation -Moffatt
I Love to Tell the Story -Fischer*

CHRIST LIGHT ENTERS

MISSIONS AND MINISTRY UPDATES Missy Roberts, Liturgist

PREPARING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

WORDS OF PREPARATION AND CENTERING

PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

We come to worship the God of the living

The God who calls life out of death and hope out of despair.

We come with our questions and our faith, with our doubts and our trust.

God meets us here, holding all that we bring.

In Christ, the boundaries of life and death are broken.

In Christ, we are made children of the resurrection.

Come, people of God-

Let us worship the One who makes all things new!

***OPENING PRAYER**

Living God, you are not the God of the dead but of the living, and in you all creation finds its hope. Breathe your Spirit among us this morning, that we may live as people of resurrection — trusting your promises, seeking your presence, and bearing your love into the world. Renew our hearts, O God, that we may serve you with joy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN “Thine Be the Glory” UMH #308

READING FROM THE PSALMS Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21 (NIV) pg 508

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

CHOIR ANTHEM “For God So Loved The World” -Martin

OFFERING OURSELVES & OUR GIFTS

INVITATION

OFFERTORY

Blessed Assurance -Knapp

*DOXOLOGY

UMH #95

*DEDICATION OF GIFTS

SEEKING GOD’S WORD

EPISTLE READING 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 (NIV) pg 959

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

*HYMN “Hymn of Promise” UMH #707

SERMON TEXT Luke 20:27-38 (NIV)

pg 854

SERMON

God of the Living

Pastor Lisa

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

O God of the living, you call us to hope in more than what we see. Remind us that in Christ our burdens are held, our future is secure, and our lives are meant for resurrection. Empower us by your Spirit to live now as your children — in hope, in service, in love — until that day when we shall be fully with you. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN “Lift High the Cross” UMH #159

SENDING FORTH WITH BLESSING

*BLESSING

LIGHT OF CHRIST GOES INTO THE WORLD

~ Go with joy to serve the Lord ~

Please keep in mind that the service is live-streamed and recorded for public access. Please keep prayer requests brief and do not use last names or identifying details.

PRAYER REQUESTS

November 9, 2025

To submit a prayer request call Denise at 330-457-2465 or 330-727-9832

If you desire a home or hospital visit call Pastor Lisa (440-339-6463)

Prayer Blankets: call Joyce Ward (330-692-3346)

Tony, Nancy, and Tony Sr. – Decisions to make.

Sue C. – Surgery on her spine Dec. 5.

Charlotte – Had knee replacement Nov. 3.

Cyndi S. – Doctors' appointments this past week.

Dick – Had a procedure this past week.

Randy (Denny's brother)

Carrie (Wayne & Sue's daughter) – Continued prayers.

Unspoken Prayer Request – Continued prayers.

Cortney (Marcie's friend) – Cancer. Has 2 small children and is expecting.
Will have to take the baby 2 months early.

Irene (Deann) – Back pain.

Erika (Hannah's friend) – Having scans

Georgette – Two tears in rotator cuff.

Raphael – Premature birth. Just over 1 lb.

Ron (Bettianne's friend) – Needs prayers.

SharonAnn (Bettianne's cousin) – Still needs prayer.

Ainsley and Alvey – Twins born Jan. 21. In need of prayers.

HOMEBOUND

Dolly K.

Bill H.

Anita M.

Tom & Marie

Walt D. (Whispering Pines)

Zelda C. (Whispering Pines)

IN MINISTRY

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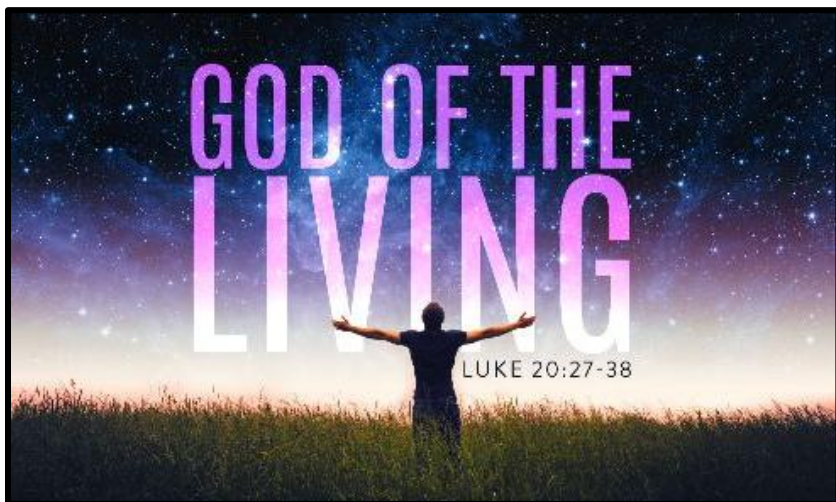
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East Fairfield
United Methodist Church
Sunday, November 9, 2025
9:30 AM



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New Waterford, OH 44445

***"Working, playing, and praying together on our
faith journey, to share Jesus Christ with everyone."***

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Nov 9 9:30 Worship at EF 10:30 Coffee Time 10:45 Sunday School Cub Scouts Raingutter Regatta	Nov 10 1:00-4:00 Prayer Blankets 6:00 Cub Scouts	Nov 11 Veterans Day 8:00 Men's Coffee at East Fairfield UMC -Ladies' Day	Nov 12 Week 46 One Story 7:00 Choir Practice 7:00 Scripture & Suds at Brew Lounge Firestone Farms	Nov 13	Nov 14 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	Nov 15
Nov 16 9:30 Worship at EF 10:30 Coffee Time 10:45 Sunday School	Nov 17 6:00 Cub Scouts 7:00 Leadership Board	Nov 18 8:00 Men's Coffee at East Fairfield UMC News Deadline	Nov 19 Week 47 One Story 6:00 One Story Gathering 7:00 Choir Practice	Nov 20 9:00 Mailing Committee	Nov 21 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	Nov 22 8:30-10:00 Caring for God's Lambs At Trinity
Nov 23 Thanksgiving Sunday 9:30 Worship at EF -Non-perishable food For food pantry 10:30 Coffee Time -Potluck lunch and Hanging of the Greens 10:45 Sunday School	Nov 24 6:00 Cub Scouts	Nov 25 8:00 Men's Coffee at East Fairfield UMC	Nov 26 Week 48 One Story Office Closed 7:00 Choir Practice	Nov 27 Office Closed	Nov 28 Office Closed	Nov 29
Nov 30 Room in our Lives 9:30 Worship at EF 10:30 Coffee Time 10:45 Sunday School	Dec 1 6:00 Cub Scouts	Dec 2 8:00 Men's Coffee at East Fairfield UMC	Dec 3 Week 49 One Story 7:00 Choir Practice	Dec 4	Dec 5 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	Dec 6

TODAY, NOVEMBER 9

Livestream: Hannah Vollnogle
Computer: Vicki Freeman

Sound: Bill Rowley
Greeters:

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Liturgist: David Vollnogle

Greeters:

NOVEMBER 2 ATTENDANCE

In-Person: 73

Online: 19

Update on Mission Giving for 2025

FUND	NAME OF FUND	NEED	RECEIVED	STILL NEED
2	General Mission Fund	5,099	3,886	1,213
33	4C's	125	439	0
32	Cub Scouts	150	225	0
37	Way Station	150	290	0
43	Tobin Center	300	400	0
22	Flat Rock	175	275	0
64	Farmer to Farmer - Liberia	300	310	0
13	UMCOR Sunday	Any Donation	20	
21	UMCOR – U.S. Disasters	Any Donation	240	
14	Blanket Sunday	Any Donation	110	
15	Peace With Justice	Any Donation	5	
16	World Communion	Any Donation	20	
17	Student Day	Any Donation	35	
46	Heroes & Halos	Any Donation	80	
63	InStep Program	Any Donation	290	
49	Caring for God's Lambs	Any Donation	200	
38	Operation Christmas Child Postage	630	748	0

Mission of the Month - Fund #2 – Mission Fund

4C's Item – Canned Fruit

Word Search

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CHILDREN
GRACE
GLORY

BELIEVE
BLESSING
CHRIST

DWELLING
JESUS
FLESH

TRUTH
WORD
WORLD

RECEIVE
GOD
NAME

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2025

Poinsettia Order Form

Deadline to order is November 16

6" Pot		Red	@ \$ 10	
6" Pot		White	@ \$ 10	
6" Pot		Pink	@ \$ 10	
6" Pot		Marble	@ \$ 10	
8" Pot		Red	@ \$ 23	
8" Pot		White	@ \$ 23	
8" Pot		Pink	@ \$ 23	
8" Pot		Marble	@ \$ 23	
TOTAL				\$
Name:				
Phone:			Env. #	
In Honor of:				
In Memory of:				

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

HARVEST / THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

POTLUCK LUNCHEON

HANGING OF THE GREENS

Please **bring a non-perishable food item or canned good.**

Items will then be donated to the
Faith United food pantry at Trinity United Methodist.

Please bring a ***Covered Dish*** to share
during coffee time on Sunday, November 23.

After lunch we will be ***Hanging the Greens.***



Faith United

A Cooperative Parish of United Methodist Churches

11-09-25
UPCOMING EVENTS

ONE YEAR, ONE STORY

(Reading through the Bible in one year.)

Week 46 begins on Wednesday, Nov. 12

**Our next GATHERING is Wednesday, Nov. 19
at 6:00 PM at East Fairfield UMC.**

 SCRIPTURES	11.12.25 2nd WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH 7:00 PM BREW LOUNGE @ FIRESTONE FARMS
4th THURSDAY OF THE MONTH No meeting in November due to Thanksgiving	& SUDS 

CARING FOR GOD'S LAMBS THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION



At the food distribution on **November 22**, we will be giving Thanksgiving food to those who are in need.

We are accepting **money** toward the purchase of turkeys and/or donations **of boxes of stuffing mix**. If you can help by donating one or both of these, it would be much appreciated and will help the families that we serve through this important ministry.

Mark your donation "Trinity - Caring for God's Lambs"

The purpose of Faith United is to grow spiritually, learn and love together, and lead others to Christ



TIME TO RING THE BELL

We need volunteers to ring the bell for the Salvation Army at Sparkle Market in East Palestine. **The dates are Saturdays, Nov. 29, Dec. 6, 13, and 20.**

Shifts are for one hour ... between 10:00 am and 5:00 PM
Bring your family and friends. Groups are welcome!

All the money collected here is used in our local area.
You can sign up by calling Centenary UMC 330-426-2629.

NEW CHURCH WEBSITES Exciting News!

We're thrilled to share that our church families have **two beautifully updated websites** and **one brand-new site** for our cooperative parish!

East Fairfield UMC

Visit our refreshed site at eastfairfieldumc.com for worship times, events, and church updates.

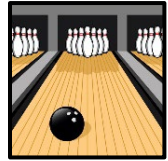
East Palestine Centenary UMC

Explore the updated site at epcentenary.org to stay connected with upcoming services and ministries.

Faith United Churches

Discover our **new cooperative parish website** at faithunitedchurches.com to learn more about our shared ministries and community outreach. Emmanuel, Mt Zion, and Trinity also have a presence on this site where we will share their contact info, worship times, and events.
Take a look, explore, and share the good news!

FAITH UNITED YOUTH GROUP
BOWLING
at Camelot Lanes
Sunday, Dec. 7 at 1:30 PM



(628 Boardman-Canfield Rd, Boardman)

No cost to youth.



CHRISTMAS PARTY
SATURDAY, DEC. 20
MT. ZION UMC AT 6:00 PM

Join the festive celebration!

We're hosting a Christmas Party
with a covered-dish dinner, followed by
a heartwarming candlelight worship service.

Bring your favorite dish to share and embrace
the joy of Christmas in a spirit-filled time of worship.

MEN'S COFFEE GROUP ~ TUESDAYS, 8:00 AM
at East Fairfield UMC, 45675 SR 558, New Waterford.
The second Tuesday of the month is Ladies' Day Covered-Dish.