

MEDITATION FOCUS

In this world where there are so many distractions, we can forget to put our focus in the divine. Let us worship God alone and not man who's breath is in his nostrils.

PRELUDE

*OPENING PRAISE

SONG "Blessed Assurance" UMH P. 369

SONG "We are the Body of Christ" FWS P. 2227

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: *The Lord declares, "I am the Lord; that is my name! I will not yield my glory to another."*

People: **We lift our eyes to the One true God, who alone is worthy of praise.**

Leader: *Is Christ divided? Was anyone else crucified for you? Were you baptized in the name of a man?*

People: **We belong to Christ alone, who gave Himself for us and calls us His own.**

Leader: *Do not put your trust in princes, in human beings, who cannot save.*

People: **Our hope is in the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.**

Leader: *Come, let us worship the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end.*

People: **To Jesus Christ be glory, honor, and power, forever and ever!**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

Children, their parents, grandparents and other adults are welcome to join us at the front of the sanctuary.

OFFERING

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 42:5-9 & 1 Corinthians 1:10-17

MESSAGE "United in Christ" Pastor Brian Comiskey

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM AND RECEPTION INTO MEMBERSHIP.

We welcome Keith and Dixie Koch into the body of Christ through baptism.

COMMUNION "Sing Alleluia to the Lord"

SONG FWS P. 2223

"They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love"

BENEDICTION

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WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A CARING FRIEND?

*There will be a meeting of the Caring Friends Ministry on October 9th at 1 p.m. in the Pastor's office. This group provides comfort and establishes friendships with our shut-ins through visits, along with Pastor Brian. We do holiday plant deliveries, and an occasional meal. This is a very rewarding ministry for all involved. If you are interested in our shut-ins or are in need of, or know someone needing a visit, please join us on **October 9 at 1 p.m.***

See Pastor Brian, Ellen Fuller or Diane Boudreau with any questions.

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

YOUTH WILL BE MEETING THIS AFTERNOON

We get to come together to laugh, eat, and worship. I'm very excited to be able to start our Youth Group again. I would like to get together to schedule our times, activities, and potential fundraising. at 2pm.

We will meet at the in the Education Building, at church, in the Youth Room.

Hope to see you all then!! Barb Tyler

Notes:

Clare United Methodist Church *World Communion Sunday* *October 5, 2025*

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Started last Sunday, youth (we use that term loosely. If you're interested in taking part, please come join us) are invited to join us in the sanctuary at 9am for something new. We will be looking at Pastor Brian's plans for future sermons, digging deep into a scripture or topic, and creating a fun way to share our thoughts on that topic with the congregation when the week arrives. If you like to draw or paint, act, sing, dance, write or recite poetry, edit videos, write scripts, build with Lego bricks, carve butter sculptures, make balloon animals... you get the idea. Bring your skills, interests, and most of all your questions. We can't wait to share your creative expressions with the congregation. If you have any questions, please speak with Pastor Brian or Elizabeth Comiskey.

AGAPE CLASS

Karen Mater's Agape class meets Sunday mornings 9-9:45 AM prior to the 10AM church service. They study a book of the Bible with help from N.T. Wright's series of For Everyone Bible Study Guides. They begin with prayer and they end with intercessory prayers. They meet in the Chapel. They are a small group and decide what to study themselves. They are a discussion class with all encouraged to be part of the discussions. Anyone can join at any time. If you have any questions or are interested in attending this class please see or contact Karen Mater 989-386-7469/989-339-7821 Karen's cell phone



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CLARE UMC'S MISSION:
Making Disciples of Jesus
by Helping People Know God,
Grow in Faith, and Share Christ's Love.