

## MEDITATION FOCUS

*Following Jesus means giving all our devotion to Him above every other attachment in life while carrying our cross with trust and devotion.*

**PRELUDE** "The King is in the Room" by Phill Wickham

### \*OPENING PRAISE

**SONG** "Lord of the Dance" UMH #261

**SONG** "Change My Heart, O God" FWS #2152

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*Leader:*

*Come, people of God, to the house of the Potter, where lives are shaped with holy purpose.*

**People:**

**We are clay in God's hands, releasing the hold of worldly things, and allowing God to build our lives.**

*Leader:*

*Hear the word of the Lord who forms and reforms, calling us to love Him above all else.*

**People:**

**We are molded by grace, set free from false treasures that cannot save.**

*Leader:*

*Turn your hearts and lives toward the Maker, leaving behind every burden that hinders.*

**People:**

**We choose the way of Christ, our true Lord, and walk in His renewing light.**

*Leader:*

*Come, let us worship the God who shapes futures and calls us to faithful discipleship.*

**People:**

**We worship the Potter, whose hands never let go and whose love is everlasting.**

### 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** "Thou Art Worthy" FWS# 2041

**SCRIPTURE** Jeremiah 18:1-11 & Luke 14:25-33

**MESSAGE** Pastor Brian Comiskey  
"Spiritual Alignment"

**MESSAGE SONG** by Big Daddy Weave and Katy Nichole  
"God is in This Story"

**SONG** Have Thine Own Way UMH #382

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### YOUTH WILL BE MEETING NEXT SUNDAY AFTERNOON (9/21)

**It is that time again! 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. I am proposing that we meet on either September 21 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:

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### YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS TO BEGIN TODAY

Starting today, September 7, 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 TO BEGIN TODAY, SEPT 7

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

### QUIETLY SOCIAL (A CLUB FOR INTROVERTS)

**Will meet on Sept. 17th from 7-8:30**

**On the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor in Ed. Bldg. Questions? Contact Elizabeth at [elizabethacomiskey@gmail.com](mailto:elizabethacomiskey@gmail.com)**

## *Clare United Methodist Church* *14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost* *September 14, 2025*



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