

MEDITATION FOCUS

The Lord's mercy is beyond our understanding. No matter how many times we get lost, God's love will always come for us and rejoice at our return.

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

*OPENING PRAISE

SONG *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* UMH #400

SONG "Amazing Grace" UMH #378

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader:

From darkness and despair, from being lost and lonely, God calls us home.

People:

Even though we have been selfish and let God down, we are still called beloved.

Leader:

Remember the eternal love of God which has been poured out for you.

People:

Our hearts rejoice at the wondrous ways in which God loves and forgives us.

Leader:

Remember that in all your ways you can trust in God's compassion.

People:

God's ways are not our ways, His mercy is beyond our understanding. Praise be to God!

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 Psalm 14 & Luke 15:1-10

MESSAGE Pastor Brian Comiskey
"Lost and Found"

MESSAGE SONG "Reckless Love" by Cory Asbury

SONG

"This is the Day"

UMH #657

BENEDICTION

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TODAY! A GROUP OF US WILL BE GOING TO SEE THE NEWEST "DOWNTON ABBY" MOVIE. The grand finale at the Ideal Theatre cost is \$5. Movie starts at 3 p.m. We will be going to Ruckles for lunch right after worship then onto the show. Questions? See Kindra or Diane.

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 (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:

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

Clare United Methodist Church *15th Sunday after Pentecost* *September 21, 2025*



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