

MEDITATION FOCUS

May the Lord open our eyes to the responsibilities and gifts we have been given. Help us to use them to serve faithfully and honor God above all.

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

*OPENING PRAISE

SONG "God of Grace and God of Glory" UMH #577

SONG "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" FWS #2171

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader:

Come, friends, and hear God's word of wisdom for our lives today.

People:

We gather with open hearts, ready to learn how to live faithfully and wisely with all that God has entrusted to us.

Leader:

God calls us to be thoughtful and prudent in the way we use our time, talents, and treasures.

People:

We seek to honor God in every choice, using what we have not for ourselves alone but for the good of others.

Leader:

Remember that true riches are not measured by wealth or possessions.

People:

We look for the lasting treasures of love, mercy, and service, placing our trust in God above all else.

Leader:

Let us follow faithfully, serving God with joy, and integrity.

People:

We come ready to respond to God's call, living each day in ways that reflect God's care, guidance, and eternal promises.

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 91 & Luke 16:1-13

MESSAGE Pastor Brian Comiskey
Using Our Gifts In This World

MESSAGE SONG Overflow by 10th Ave North
SONG "Victory Chant" (A cappella)

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 come together to laugh, eat, and worship. I'm very excited to be able to have our Youth Group again Sundays at 2pm.

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

Hope to see you all then!! Barb Tyler

Notes:

Clare United Methodist Church *16th Sunday after Pentecost* *September 28, 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



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