



Grace — THAT — Welcomes Home

— ♥ —
For this son of mine
was lost and is found.
He was dead and
is alive again.

Luke 15:24

WESTERN RESERVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Western Reserve United Methodist Church

July 26, 2026

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Joyce Hoile

Minister of Visitation: Rev. Don Christensen

Mission Statement: *Western Reserve Church will develop disciples who reflect Christ's love through worship, fellowship, and service.*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: *"Who's Your Neighbor?"*

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(adapted from the Book of Worship #454)*

LEADER: We are here this morning to worship You, O God.

CONGREGATION: **Be present with us and touch our hearts.**

LEADER: As a shepherd seeks a lost sheep, so God seeks and saves the lost.

CONGREGATION: **As a father receives a returning wayward son, so God welcomes us, and lets the past be the past.**

LEADER: Therefore, let us praise God in thanksgiving that we are received.

CONGREGATION: **Let us receive, welcome, and rejoice over one another in the name of Jesus Christ.**

***OPENING HYMN**

"Jesus Loves Me" (UMH #191)

***OPENING PRAYER** (spoken in unison)

Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth, You have chosen each of us as Your own children. You have blessed us with gifts and freedom. Be with us as we make our choices. There are many times we have failed You and many times when we will fail again. Our hope is sustained by Your faithfulness. We know You are there to guide us, but all too often, we lose focus and take an alternate path. Your mercy and love are our salvation. Amen.

DEDICATION OF GIFTS, TITHES, AND OFFERINGS

*Doxology (UMH #95)

*Offertory Prayer

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES – *Staff Parish Relations Committee*

MORNING PRAYERS – Sharing our joys and concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

"As the Deer" (TFWS #2025)

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Psalm 32

*Luke 15:11-32

RESPONSE

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

"Summer Camp: Parables – The Prodigal Son"

***CLOSING HYMN**

"Wonderful Words of Life" (UMH #600)

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE:**

"This Little Light of Mine" (UMH #585, vs. 1)

POSTLUDE

THANK YOU TO THOSE ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICES.

Sermon: Pastor Joyce (All Services)

Music: Leaha Marshall and the TOGGLE Praise Team (9:15 am)
Leaha Marshall (11:00 am)

Liturgist: Doug Price (9:15 am)
Barb Irwin (11:00 am)

Greeter: Rev. Bruce & Barb Irwin

Ushers: The Baldwin Family (11:00 am)

Church FAMILY —PRAYER LIST—

The logo features the word "Church" in a black cursive script at the top. Below it, the word "FAMILY" is written in large, bold, teal block letters. A small white icon of a church with a family inside is positioned over the letter "I" in "FAMILY". At the bottom, the words "—PRAYER LIST—" are written in teal block letters, flanked by horizontal lines.

Please keep the following friends in your prayers this week:

Those in Nursing Homes:

Park Vista of Youngstown: Linda Ward

Windsor House: Nancy Hull

The Inn at Poland Way: Nancy Jarvis

St. Luke Lutheran Community: Margie Wagner

The Inn @ Glenellen: Richard Fox

The Addison @ Cornersburg: Ila Cochran

Woodlands @ Austinwoods: Dorothy Adams

Those serving in our military:

Jeff Asch, Jared Eichert, JT Palmer, Riley Miller, Mark Kuntzman,
Jared Muntean

Those with other prayer concerns:

Bill Helsel, Sandra Ellis, Billy Tarr, Betty Brunswick, Tim Treleven,
Ed Dambik, Terry Hassay, Jon Ramsbottom, Marjorie Nelson, Halle
Wright, Kennedy Turek, Brian Hassel, Marian Doerr, Stuart Hassel,
Juanita Bloom, Laurie Grischow, Jack Phillipson, Linda Daugherty,
Pastor Joyce, Jim Grischow, Bill Blatchford, Jeff Yohe (Deanna's son-
in-law), Bill & Linda Robb

THE PRAYER LIST IS UPDATED WEEKLY. If you would like to be included in the prayer list, please let the Church Office know and keep us updated as to the status of these prayer requests so that we can remain current on those needing special prayer. Thank you!

UPCOMING *Events*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! No matter where you have been or what this week has held, you are welcomed with open arms into the presence of our loving God. Like the father in the parable of the Prodigal Son, God delights in welcoming His children home with grace, mercy, and joy.

Today, may you experience the Father's embrace, be renewed by His forgiveness, and rejoice in the love that never gives up on you. As we worship together, let us celebrate the God who seeks the lost, restores the broken, and welcomes us home.

Whether this is your first visit or you've been part of our church family for years, we are grateful you are here.



GIFT CARD SCAM: This week a number of our members received messages saying that Pastor Joyce urgently needed them to get gift cards for cancer patients. THIS IS A SCAM! Pastor Joyce will never ask you to go buy gift cards.



TEMPORARY ADDRESS: Dorothy Adams is in rehabilitation at Austinwoods. If you would like to send her a card you can send it to 4780 Kirk Rd. #819, Youngstown, OH 44515. Her direct phone number there is 330-599-7845.

DIRECTORY UPDATE: Pastor Bruce & Barb Irwin have moved. Their new address is 8025 S. 15th St. #1834, Sebring, OH 44672. Their new phone number is 330-938-7205.

ALTAR FLOWERS are provided by Tom & Marian Zickefoose in memory of Tom's parents. Sponsors are needed for many Sundays in 2026, including August 23. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers, please sign up on the sheet at the Welcome Center. The cost is \$20.



THANK YOU for the birthday cards and well wishes from my friends at WRUMC. Thank you, also, for the beautiful flowers that were provided for the altar last Sunday. -*Harriet MacAvoy*

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES

- **Men's Bible Study** – Tuesday at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall (resumes in August)
- **Adult Bible study & prayer group** – Tuesday at 6:00 pm in the Youth Room. If you would like more information or have any prayer requests for the group, please contact Laura (cell: 330-770-7017 or email: walton32000@yahoo.com).

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Gab Sale 2.0 Meeting (July 27 @ 6:00 pm)
- Trustees Meeting (August 11 @ 6:00 pm)
- Administrative Board Meeting (August 13 @ 7:00 pm)

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

YOUNG ADULT *Bible Study*



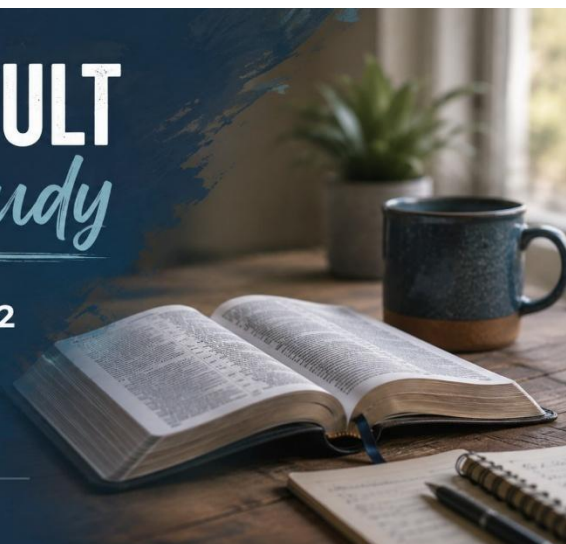
Sunday, August 2



11:00 am



Youth room



YOUNG ADULT CAMPFIRE

July 29
6:30 pm





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AND BLESSING OF THE BIKES

CHILDREN AND ADULTS
ARE WELCOME!

AUGUST 1
11:00 AM

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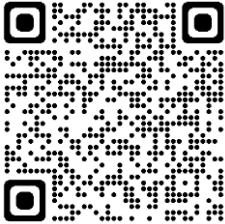
EVERYONE IS WELCOME! Picnic food will be provided by the
Missions Committee (free will donation appreciated)

ATTENDANCE & GIVING FOR SUNDAY, JULY 19

Early Worship Service (8:30 am)	9
T.O.G.G.L.E. Service (9:15 am)	41
Traditional Service (11:00 am)	41
Total Worship Attendance	91

Amount needed to meet weekly budget: \$6,631

Total Giving amount: \$5,031 (This includes electronic giving.)



Electronic Giving is available! Simply scan the QR code with your phone and you will be taken to the secure Vanco online giving platform where you can make your donation to WRUMC electronically.



PARKING LOT/FRONT DITCH PROJECT

Received to date: \$9,569

(after payments for work completed)

***THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GIVING TO
THE PARKING LOT/FRONT DITCH PROJECT!
WE STILL HAVE MORE WORK TO GET DONE!***

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TODAY

Worship Services (8:30 am, 9:15 am, 11:00 am)

Sunday School/Adult Bible Study (9:30 am)

MONDAY

GAB Sale 2.0 Meeting (6:00 pm)

TUESDAY

Back to School Give-a-Way (9:00 am - 1:00 pm)

Helping Hands Closet (9:00 am - 1:00 pm)

Sewing Circle (9:00 am)

Bible Study/Prayer Group (6:00 pm)

WEDNESDAY

Young Adult Picnic (6:30 pm)

FRIDAY

Family Game Night (6:00 pm)

SATURDAY

Blessing of the Bikes/Bike Rally (11:00 am)

Church Picnic (12:00 pm)

COMING UP!

Campfire (August 8 | 6:30 pm)

Trustees Meeting (August 11 | 6:00 pm)

Administrative Board Meeting (August 13 | 7:00 pm)

Family Movie Night (August 21 | 8:00 pm)