

## September 4- 8:30 am

WELCOME

PRELUDE Andy Garitson

(please observe quiet time as we prepare for worship)

CALL TO WORSHIP Matt Gould

\*HYMN NO. 393 *Spirit of the Living God*

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 125

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC Andy Garitson

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS

*(Please put your completed communication card in the offering plate.)*

For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. (2 Corinthians 8:9)

Offertory *I Need Thee Every Hour*

\*Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, Ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 18:1-11

\*GLORIA PATRIA

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

TODAY'S MESSAGE "The Potter's Wheel" Rev. Joel Harbarger

HOLY COMMUNION (see the separate insert)

\*HYMN NO. 382 *Have Thine Own Way, Lord*

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

\*Indicates Congregation to Stand if Able

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SPECIAL MUSIC *Healing Hands* Brittany Gould, Jessica and David Finley

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Offertory *There is a Name I Love to Hear* Melanie Flower and Wendy Harbarger

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**Caregivers Support Group** - The Caregivers Support Group for September will be meeting on **Tuesday, September 6th** at 12:00 noon in Melvin's Room. **Please note the date change.**

**Loss Recovery Group** - The Loss Recovery Group will meet again September 6th at 2:00 pm in the Parlor.

**Good Fellowship** - will meet on Tuesday, September 6th at 6:00 pm in Atchley Hall. Please bring a hot dish, salad or dessert to share and your own table service.

**Chancel Choir Rehearsals Resume** - Chancel Choir rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, September 7th at 7:00 pm. We will happily welcome any new members! If anyone has any questions please contact Larry Daniel.

**Men's Breakfast** - The next Men's Breakfast will be held on Saturday, September 10th at 9:00 am in Atchley Hall

**Handbells** - Handbell rehearsals will begin again on Wednesday, September 14th at 6:00 pm in Melvin's Room. If you have questions, contact Sandy Curlis.

**Hornet Football Dinner** - Hornet football is upon us again! We will be serving a pre-game meal in October to the team, coaches and cheerleaders. If you would like to help with a monetary donation it would be appreciated. See either Jane Majors or Ellen Osterman. Thank you. This has been a long time tradition in our church.

**Thank You** - The residents of Mt. Pleasant and myself want to thank Chuck Garitson for praising our Lord with his voice and guitar at the Sunday, August 28th Worship Service. Your voice and your guitar and the selections of music touched our hearts. Thank you so much. *In Christian Love, Susan Childers*

**Nuts and Candy** - Order your nuts and candy now from the United Methodist Women. Please complete the order blank and return it along with your check payable to UMW by October 2nd to Jane Majors, Helen Ihle, Pam Kilburn or Toni McDonough. The UMW appreciates your support. Shipment is expected by November 1st.

**Blessing of the Animals** - Please join us on Sunday, October 2nd at 2:00 pm in the pavilion out back for our annual Blessing of the Animals. Dogs, cats and other pets - small and large, furry and non-furry - are all welcome. We can't wait to meet the special members of your family! All animals must be caged or leashed. Rain or shine.

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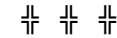
**“Lovely: Fight for your Fairy-tale” is an inter-generational conference for all ladies** ages 13 and up. On September 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, this Friday (evening) and Saturday (day-time) conference for ladies will feature some great speakers, some fun shopping opportunities, and some down time to re-connect with God after a busy summer. **All Blaze Youth girls and female adult mentors/small group leaders/moms are ENCOURAGED to GO!!** This event will be held at Church on Fire in Harrison, tickets are \$20 and you can find out more and register to attend at: <http://www.mycfmlovely.org/>

**Local Christian Colleges Fair in Dayton!** Monday September 12<sup>th</sup> at Dayton Christian High School, hundreds of Christian colleges from all over the country will be featured in a college fair. We want to encourage ALL of our upperclassmen, Blaze students and parents to attend. God will soon be calling our teens into the world and one of these Christian campuses might be the first step! The event is FREE and will be held from 6-8pm.

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**FINANCIAL MATTERS**

|               | WEEK OF 8/21/16 |         | YTD       |           |
|---------------|-----------------|---------|-----------|-----------|
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