SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN: We meet from 9:30 to 10:25 a.m. Kids can be dropped off at the alley door on the east side of the church or on the south side of Jackson Street at the lower doors. We will have music & singing followed by Sunday School classes for Pre-K to 5th. We will begin in Genesis with creation and continue with the story of Noah's ark, Abraham, the Ten Commandments, David and Goliath, Jonah and the whale, and many, many more! Our Sunday School teachers include Heather Karrick, Margaret Ferguson, and Cindy Pierce. Cody & Eric Heubner continue to lead our 6th-8th grade group, which now meets during Sunday School. Confirmation begins in January.

CHILD CARE: Antoinette Bidlingmaier will be watching our very small children, 2 and under, in the big room downstairs, beginning Oct. 3.

<u>ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL:</u> Our adult group will be held at the same time. Joe & Susie Pokorny will be leading their group and will continue to meet in Fellowship Hall. Stay tuned! We're working to expand our adult Sunday School offerings.

SMALL GROUPS: In addition, we have several small groups. The men's Saturday morning group led by Joe Pokorny meets at 7 at the School Board offices and on Zoom. The women's group led by Helene Atkinson meets at 8 a.m. Fridays in Fellowship Hall. The men's breakfast group meets at 8 Wednesdays at The Corner Café.

Received through Sept. 18	\$128,238.80
Received last week (Sept. 19-25)	\$1,015.00
Total:	\$129,243.80
Needed through Sept. 25	\$131,276.32

Attendance on Sunday, Sept. 19: 76 in sanctuary. On Facebook Live: 226 reached, 134 engaged, 20 comments, 1 share.

Total Future Building Funds (as of Sept. 1)	\$825,933.61	
Total Future Building Fund Expenses (includes land		
purchase & architect's fee)	\$193,893.24	
Future Building Funds Now Available	\$632,040.37	

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Sept. 26, 2021 · 3 Ways to Worship! 8:30 &10:30 in Sanctuary · 10:30 on Facebook Live!

Blessings to our Capital Campaign Givers!





Then He took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in His arms, He said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in My name welcomes Me, and whoever welcomes Me welcomes not Me but the One who sent Me." — Mark 9:36-37

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Prelude Terri DePatis

Greeting & Announcements

Song "They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love" Screen

Children's Message "All Good Deeds" Kyle DePatis

Special Music "Celtic Grace" Memorial Handbells

Holy Scripture Mark 9:38-48 Margaret Ferguson

Message "Black & White" Pastor Rick

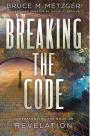
Offering Moment Bill Bauser, Jr.

Doxology & Benediction Pastor Rick

Song "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" Screen

Postlude Terri DePatis

COMING UP!



SUNDAY, OCT. 3: The Book of Revelation poses one of the great challenges of the Bible. In an effort to better understand this pivotal book, we'll offer a Sunday evening study on Revelation called "Breaking the Code: Understanding the Book of Revelation." We'll be meeting in Fellowship Hall and the parsonage at 6:30 p.m. Sundays for eight weeks. There is a small fee for the book. Pastor Rick will lead.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 13: If you would like to become a member, we invite you to a three-part class offered by Pastor Rick beginning Oct. 13. We'll meet at either the church or the parsonage for three one-hour classes. Time/date is flexible. Questions? Call 632-7689.





SUNDAY, NOV. 21: We dedicate the many, many shoeboxes prepared by our congregation for children around the world through Operation Christmas Child. This year's goal is 3,500 boxes & our latest count was 2,173! On Monday, Nov. 22, we'll take the boxes to their next stop.

SUNDAY, NOV. 28: You are invited by UMW to help prepare rice meals in Fellowship Hall at 5:30 p.m. Each bag we prepare can feed a family of six, and we'll be preparing hundreds of bags to be shipped to Central America and the Caribbean. Thank you to all who participated on Bucket Sunday



for rice meals. Total collected was \$281.40.