

Announcements

- 1. ALTAR FLOWERS**-The beautiful flowers on our altar were provided by Jacquee and Ken Lawrence in celebration of their 40th wedding anniversary.
- 2. BELL CHOIR**- Bell Choir rehearsals begin Tuesday, September 15th. We are always looking for new members. Please contact Sherry Allen at 989.859.5966.
- 3. UPCOMING MEETINGS**- Mark your calendars!
Combined Ad Council & Church Council – Sept 8, 7pm
Events Committee- Sept 9, 10am
Worship Committee- Sept 11, 9am
Trustees- Sept 14, 6:30pm
- 4. GREAT AGERS**- Summer is over and fall is near, so it is time for Great Agers to once again appear! We will meet on Friday, September 11th for our usual potluck lunch. Bring a dish to share and your own table service. We will supply beverages and a main dish. Following lunch, professional chef Veronica Potter, also known as Aunt V, will be presenting a cooking demonstration, complete with samples. This program is made possible through a grant from the Midwest Methodist Foundation. Bring a friend and enjoy fellowship, food and fun. Plan to arrive between 11:30 and noon. We will eat at noon. Please sign up in the narthex if you plan to attend.
- 5. ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**- Over the last 40 years, we have welcomed many into our sanctuary, and pray we continue to be a center for our community. Please join us to celebrate this milestone at 9am on Sunday, September 13th with a special worship service with guest preacher Tom Babler, followed by a reception and tree planting dedication.
- 6. CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL**- We are excited to welcome our youngest members back to Sunday School on September 13th. Please reach out to Joni Javier or Melanie Bomersback with any questions.
- 7. DORCAS CIRCLE NEWS**–
- We are currently collecting baby wipes, women's hygiene products, baby clothing, and of course, diapers for our annual drive benefiting the Marie Wilkinson Food Pantry. All items will be donated after our next meeting on September 16.
 - The Dorcas Circle welcomes all women of the church to join us on the third Wednesday of the month (Sept. through June) at 1pm for light refreshments and social time. We would love to see you then!
- 8. COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE & BOUNTIFUL CHURCH PICNIC**- Save the date! September 27th at 10am we will come together with our sister churches for our annual celebration of worship, song, and of course, a fall picnic. More details coming soon!

SUNDAY SCHOOL
Adult Small Group: Loyal Leaders class (10:15am)
Children’s Church (9:20 am)

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Music Director John Kwon / yoahn4piano@gmail.com
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	8/9	8/16	8/23	8/30
IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE	39	33	32	36
ON-LINE ATTENDANCE	3	5	5	3
WEEKLY OFFERING	\$1,535	\$2,174	\$4,185	TBD
TREE DONATION FUND	\$20	\$95	\$310	TBD

2026 APPORTIONMENT ALLOCATION:\$26,305
PAID THROUGH JULY: \$4,400

SAINTS IN ACTION

Worship Leader: Pat Buchenot
Ushers: Charles Bibbs & David Han
Greeters: Joyce Bedell & Laura Garvey
Communion Servers- Worship Leader, Amelia Stern, Christine Pommier
In-Service Slide operator: Ken & Jacquee Lawrence
Online Worship: Dorothea Rynearson
PowerPoint preparer: Christine Pommier

SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

The Table



BETHANY OF FOX VALLEY
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Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Worship Leader: Pat Buchenot

* Indicates that worshippers are to stand if able.
Congregational responses are in bold print.

ENTRANCE & PRAISE

Prelude	“Grow a Little Tree”	John Kwon
Greetings		Rev. Sang Hun Han
Announcements		Pat Buchenot
*Opening Hymn	"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee "	UMH #89

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!
2. All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy
rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.
3. Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

*Call to Worship

God is our strength!
Sing it loud.
Christ is our joy!
Shout it for all to hear.
Sing of love and grace!
Shout of mercy and truth!
Sing of God’s goodness!
Shout of Christ’s love!

Passing Peace of Christ
“O How He Loves You and Me”
O how he loves you and me! O how he loves you and me!
He gave his life. What more could he give? O how he loves you;
O how he loves me; O how he loves you and me!

Joys and Concerns
Silent Prayer & Pastoral Prayer
The Lord’s Prayer (Screen)

Contemplation Hymn “Grace Alone” TFWS #2192

1. Every promise we can make, every prayer and step of faith,
every difference we will make is only by his grace. Every mountain
we will climb, every ray of hope we shine, every blessing left behind
is only by his grace.
- ** **Refrain:** Grace alone which God supplies, strength unknown he
will provide. Christ in us our Cornerstone; we will go forth in grace
alone.
2. Every soul we long to reach, every heart we hope to teach,
everywhere we share his peace is only by his grace. Every loving
word we say, every tear we wipe away, every sorrow turned to
praise is only by his grace. **

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

*Scripture Reading **Luke 14:1, 7-14 (NIV)** Pat Buchenot

Jesus at a Pharisee’s House
14 One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent
Pharisee, he was being carefully watched.

⁷ When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honor at the
table, he told them this parable: ⁸ “When someone invites you to a
wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for a person more
distinguished than you may have been invited. ⁹ If so, the host who
invited both of you will come and say to you, ‘Give this person your
seat.’ Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important
place. ¹⁰ But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when
your host comes, he will say to you, ‘Friend, move up to a better
place.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all the other
guests. ¹¹ For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and
those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

¹² Then Jesus said to his host, “When you give a luncheon or dinner,
do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or
your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you
will be repaid. ¹³ But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the
crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴ and you will be blessed. Although they
cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the
righteous.”

This is the Word of Life for all the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Offering Our Gifts to God’s Service

Offertory Anthem **“My Tribute (To God Be the Glory)”** John Kwon
(Andre Crouch)

*Doxology **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”** UMH #95
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-

Gracious God, help us remember that all belongs to you. Take
these offerings and use them for your glory. Take our lives,
and use us, always and everywhere, for your glory. In Christ’s
name, Amen.

You may give your offering at www.bfvumc.org/online-giving,
scan the QR code to the right, or mail it to:

Bethany of Fox Valley UMC
2200 Ridge Ave. Aurora, IL. 60504



Message: “The Table” Rev. Sang Hun Han

HOLY COMMUNION & SENDING FORTH

Holy Communion- A Service of Word and Table Screen

Prayer after Communion:
**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which
you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the
world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

- *Closing Hymn: **“Christ for the World We Sing”** UMH #568
1. Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with
loving zeal; the poor, and them that mourn, the faint and overborne,
sinsick and sorrow-worn, whom Christ doth heal.
2. Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with
fervent prayer; the wayward and the lost, by restless passions
tossed, redeemed at countless cost, from dark despair.
3. Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with one
accord; with us the work to share, with us reproach to dare, with us
the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.

*Benediction Rev. Sang Hun Han
*Postlude **Anglican Hymn** John Kwon
We are glad that you joined us this morning in worship.
We hope that you find strength, renewal, and a sense of peace
going through the coming week.