

MISSION OF THE MONTH

Our loose-change offering this month goes to Feed My Starving Children.
Checks may be made out to UMCWFB with "FMSC" in the memo.

DOXOLOGY

#95

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*A Child of God
Children's Choir*

Rev. Andrew Jones

Christy Semsen

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN

Let Us Now Depart in Thy Peace

#668 Sung twice

*BENEDICTION

Open Door Gallery Committee reception for Anne Ehle from 10 a.m.-noon.
See her beautiful needlepoint pieces in the Walnut Room.

Worship Staff

Senior Pastor - Rev. Gary Holmes

Child, Youth, and Family Pastor - Rev. Andrew Jones

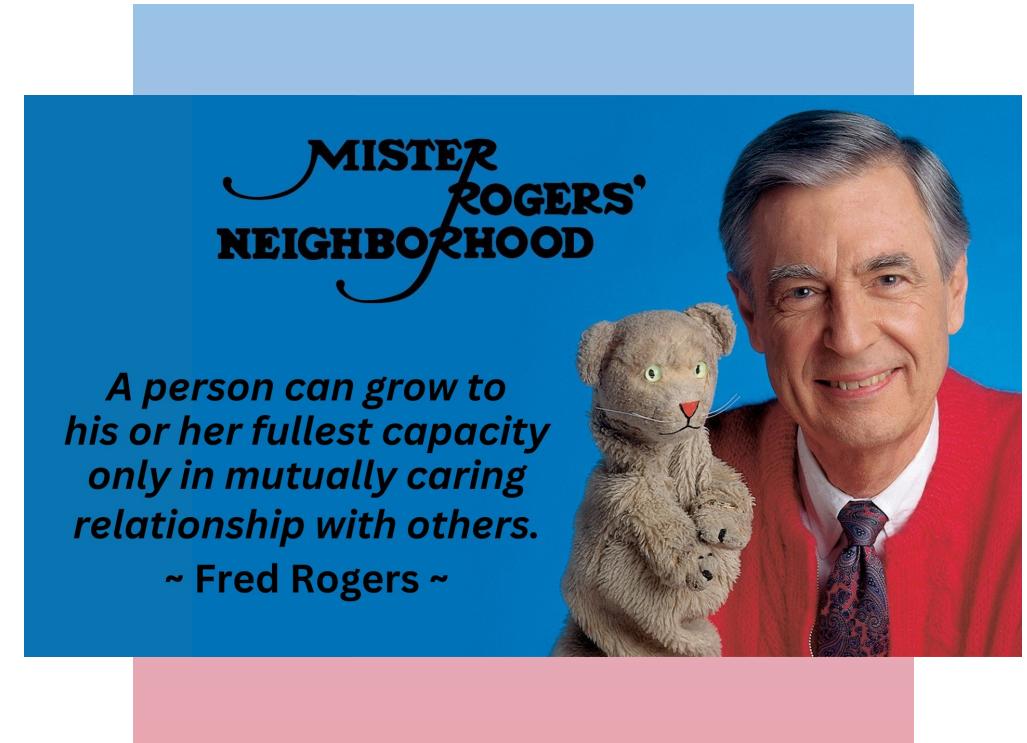
Director of Care and Women's Ministries - Nell Nash

Director of Congregational Growth and Community Engagement - Jenny Fisher

Director of Senior Care - Pat Wisialowski

Director of Music and Fine Arts Ministries - Neil Bubke

Organist - David Hein



Sunday Worship

September 17, 2023

10:30 a.m.

"Won't You Be My Neighbor: I'm Taking Care of You"

**Sunday Worship
10:30 a.m.**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Look at the birds of the air;
they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns
and yet God provides for the basic sustenance of life.
May our hearts be open to trust you.

Look at the birds of the air;
they neither study nor plan nor plot their course
and yet God writes the instinct for migration into their hearts.
May our eyes be open to see you.

Look at the birds of the air;
they neither talk nor vote nor debate their responsibility
yet God weaves them into communities which nurture and defend.
May our hands be open to serve you.

***HYMN** *Praise to the Lord, The Almighty*

Judy Pier-Lybeck

#139

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Rev. Gary Holmes

THE PRAYERS

PRAYER HYMN

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil
Tenor and Basses of Chancel Choir

*Lord, let my heart be good soil,
open to the seed of your Word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil,
where love can grow and peace is understood.
When my heart is hard,
break the stone away.
When my heart is cold,
warm it with the day.
When my heart is lost,
lead me on your way.
Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart be good soil.*

Handt Hanson

CALL TO PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Let us join in a time of silent and listening prayer.

SILENT PRAYER

MORNING PRAYER

We believe in the power of prayer. Send prayer requests to: prayer@umcwfb.org

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE WORD

ANTHEM

Consider the Lilies of the Field
Chancel Choir

arr. Roger Hoffrman

SERMON

“Won’t You Be My Neighbor: I’m Taking Care of You”
Matthew 6:26-27, Romans 12:2

Rev. Gary Holmes

I’m taking Care of You

I’m taking care of you,
Taking good care of you,
For once I was very little too;
Now I take care of you.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

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David Hein

Judy Pier- Lybeck