


Orchard Park United Methodist Church
WEEKLY NEWSFLASH

Experiencing rejection, gossip, bickering or lies interferes with their ability to become disciples and Kingdom builders.

Jesus tells us with his actions that each one of these young people is of sacred worth. We have a responsibility to ensure their safety, their sense of purpose and their beloved-ness.

Looking at the totality of Jesus' ministry and the meaning behind him saying to "let the children come," we see how his ministry models radical hospitality. This spirit of welcome reaches across borders, socioeconomic situations and age to give us a sense of the fullness of our family in Christ.

Sometimes trusting in the next generation means being a little uncomfortable or inconvenienced to support them building up the Beautiful Community.

Who are the people we are called to be in ministry with?

Who is missing from the table?

Who are the people whose voices are too often ignored?

What does it look like to move over, to pass the microphone, to mentor others into leadership and to create spaces of grace?

When we lift up people whom we might have instead overlooked, we begin to perceive the Kingdom all around us. Through intergenerational ministry, God's realm begins to take shape and transform the world as hopes and dreams are realized.

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October 3 Worship Participants

Adult Sunday School 10:00 AM

Worship Service 11:00 AM

Pastor: Rev. Tanya Spencer

Music Director: Meiko Reigelman

Liturgist: Candy Carberry

A/V Operator: Margot Ip

Greeter: Bea Hudson

Childcare: Sue Stachewicz

The flowers on the altar on October 3 are given by Marilyn Henning in loving memory of her parents, Erwin & Lois Bowell.



Upcoming Events

October 3 @ 10 AM:

Adult Sunday School

October 3: **World Communion Sunday**

October 6 @ 12 PM: **Bible Study**

October 6 @ 1 PM: **lunch with Pastor Tanya**

October 17: **Laity Sunday**

October 23: **Trunk or Treat**

October Birthdays

Monica Restorff (10/3)

Zach Restorff (10/5)

Rich Spinelli (10/6)

Bob Laurie (10/7)

Andrea Spinelli (10/17)

Bill Russell (10/25)

Thank you to this month's **St. Pauly's Clothing Shed** volunteers!

Mike Waters (10/3)

Dan Liggett (10/10, 10/17)

Art Cooper (10/24)

George Slocum (10/31)



RECONCILING MINISTRIES NETWORK

(cont'd.) This Sunday is World Communion Sunday. We will come around the Communion table remembering that this gift from Jesus extends to all who follow him. There are no borders, no age limits, no exceptions. As we gather in the Sacrament, God's grace is available to every single person.

As part of our celebration, United Methodist churches receive a special offering to support students around the world. We are investing in them as they work to achieve the dreams that God has placed on their hearts.

Join Pastor Tanya on Wednesdays at noon in the Fellowship Hall for Bible Study.

On October 6, stay after Bible Study to enjoy fellowship with Pastor Tanya. BYOL (bring your own lunch)!

Prayer Requests

- *Magdeline Hayman* - recovering from a fracture
- Rebecca's sister, *Alicia* - health
- friend of Candy, *Mary Agnes* - health
- *Marie Gorman* - recovering from a fall
- *Joan Zimmerman* - recovering from surgery
- Donna Kroh's friend *Linda* - recurrence of cancer
- Candy and Joe's neighbor, *Roger* - health
- *Lurly Hunsberger*

Orchard Park United Methodist Church is a Reconciling Congregation.

We celebrate God's gift of diversity and value the wholeness made possible in community equally shared and shepherded by all. We welcome and affirm people of every gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation, who are also of every age, race, ethnicity, physical and mental ability, level of education, and family structure, and of every economic, immigration, marital, and social status, and so much more. We acknowledge that we live in a world of profound social, economic, and political inequities. As followers of Jesus, we commit ourselves to the pursuit of justice and pledge to stand in solidarity with all who are marginalized and oppressed.

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