



**Winchester United Methodist Church**  
**A LIGHTHOUSE OF HOPE:**  
**REACHING, TEACHING, CARING, SHARING!**

*“We frail humans are at one time capable of the greatest good and, at the same time, capable of the greatest evil. Change will only come about when each of us takes up the daily struggle ourselves to be more forgiving, compassionate, loving, and above all, joyful in the knowledge that, by some miracle of grace, we can change as those around us can change too.”*  
**Mairead Corrigan-Maguire**  
 Nobel Peace Prize winner

**Welcome / Informal Moments :**  
**Prelude:**

Rev. Robin  
 Shawn Ford

**A Morning Call To Worship:**

*O God of all Creation, how great is your understanding and Your manifold mercies. You are the God Who holds together, past, present and future. You know us completely, to the depths of our souls, and You know both our triumphs of kindness and obedience, as well as our failures of selfish ambition and moral complacency. We draw near to You in faith, even as we draw near to one another, all of us members of the household of God. This morning, O Lord, we profess once more our love for you, and in our heart of hearts, we want to follow Your teachings, walk Your way, live Your life. Too many times, however, we listen to the voices of the world around us, voices obsessed with ambition, pride, self-centeredness, violence, intolerance and hate. Teach us once more, what it means to walk Your Way and to live a complete and abundant life in the fullness of God’s unconditional love. Remind us that to follow You, we must have the heart of a servant and the trust and enthusiasm of a child. Remind us that the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom. Challenge us not so much to aspire to greatness, but to faithfulness, counting service to others in Your Name a joy and privilege. We put our trust in You, O God, today, tomorrow and for always. In Christ’s Name we pray. Amen.*

**Hymn:** # 140 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

**Children’s Moment:**

**Pastoral Prayer/The Lord’s Prayer**

*In the name of Jesus Christ We are forgiven!*

Rev. Robin

**Scripture Readings**

**Old Testament Lesson:** Proverbs 1:20-33

**Gospel Lesson:** Mark 9:33-37

**The Message:** *Faith, Service and Discipleship:*  
*Aspire To Attain God’s Standard For Greatness!*

Rev. Robin

**Hymn:** # 77 How Great Thou Art

**Closing Remarks / Benediction**

**Postlude:**

**OUR ON-LINE GIVING APP.**  
**Are you using “Give Plus” app?**



*Vanco is changing their App on September 30. If you do recurring giving, you are ok. If you do the One-at-a-time Giving, you will need to download the new App called “Vanco Mobile” . Our church is in the listing and should work like Give Plus. If you have questions you can contact Gene Henson, Sandra Gregory or Karen Hardwick. Thanks!*

**MASK RECOMMENDATION!**

*Due to the Covid Variant, The UMC is recommending all (Vaccinated and Non-Vaccinated ) on wearing mask upon entering and exiting the building. Masks are available for your use.*



*Please continue exercising Common Sense Protocols.*



*Thank You for Your Cooperation!*

**Our Conference / Our Kids (Special Offering)**

WUMC is taking a Love Offering in honor of Bishop Frank Beard’s 5th Anniversary as our IGRC Bishop. All Gifts will go to the OC/OK Project. **Offering deadline is Sunday, September 26.** A basket and envelopes are available in the foyer. Checks can be out to WUMC. Thank You!

*WUMC wishes to thank everyone for your continued support with your tithes, gifts, offerings and prayers! THANK YOU!*

## *This Week's Opportunities*

### Sunday, September 19, 2021

9 a.m. In-Person Worship (*Broadcast available by Monday Afternoon*)  
10:05 a.m. Sunday School For All Ages

**Monday - Friday:** Doorbell Dinners (UMC Delivers)

### Monday, September 20, 2021

6 p.m. PEO Meeting in Sibert Hall

### Thursday, September 23, 2021

6 p.m. Cancer Support Group

### Next Sunday, September 26, 2021

9 a.m. In-Person Worship (*Broadcast available by Monday Afternoon*)  
10:05 a.m. Sunday School For All Ages  
1 p.m. WUMC Charge Conference via ZOOM

*Our Sunday Services can be accessed through our church*

*Webpage: [winchesterilumc.org/multimedia](http://winchesterilumc.org/multimedia)*

*You Tube: Winchester Illinois United Methodist Church / Facebook page:  
Link to the service*

## PRAYER

**In Our Prayers:** *Children: (Baby Ace, Asher, Reed, Kennah, & Emma, Ava Rose, Jade); Terry Aossey, Bishop Frank Beard, Lisa Cappareli, Ms. Caradonna, Minnie Cooper, Julia DeGroot, Kevin Garnett, Richard Gregory, John Hardwick, Linda Hendricker, Donna Holmes, Larry & Pam Jones, Norma Hilleary, Shelby (Fairchild) Houston, Larry Lashmett, Brynleigh Lawson, Cory Markham, Brenda Pollard, Jane Reihing, Phyllis Rhodes, Michael Ryan, Chuck Roberts, Larry Shipley, Slade Family, Bonnie Waltrip, Debbie Worrell, Rex Worrell, and our **Military Personnel:** Blake Clayton, Chris Dukett, Andy Pfeiffer, Donnie Stice, Kale Pollard, and our shut-ins and friends in area nursing centers and at home, and all who are looking for work. WUMC expresses our love and sympathy to Gordon Holmes and family in the passing of their mother Florence Holmes Bradley.*

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# WINCHESTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



SEPTEMBER 19, 2021  
17TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST



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