



Sunday, August 2, 2026

10th Sunday After Pentecost



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WINCHESTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*A Lighthouse of Hope: Reaching, Sharing, Teaching,
Caring: United to Reflect God's Love to All!*

Gathering

Prelude & Lighting of the Altar Candles

Welcome & Connection

Centering Words

"By wisdom a house is built; by understanding it is established. By knowledge rooms are filled with all precious and pleasant wealth. A wise person is mightier than a strong one; a knowledgeable person than a powerful one."

— Proverbs 24:3-5

Opening Prayer (Unison Prayer)

Gracious and loving God, we come before you seeking your wisdom and guidance. Quiet our hearts and open our minds, that we may trust you more fully and follow your ways rather than our own. Teach us to acknowledge you in all that we do, and lead us on the path of life and faithfulness. May our worship today draw us closer to you and shape us into people who live wisely and love generously. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

* Praise Video

"Trust in You"

Lauren Daigle

*Prayer of Confession (Unison Prayer)

God of wisdom, we confess we often trust our own understanding more than we trust you. We rely on our own plans, our own strength, and our own knowledge, forgetting that you see what we cannot. Forgive us when pride keeps us from listening, when fear keeps us from trusting, and when our choices lead us away from your ways. Turn our hearts back toward you, and teach us to walk humbly in your wisdom and grace. In silence, we confess the ways we have turned aside from your call...

*Silent Prayer & Assurance of Pardon

*Passing the Peace of Christ

Proclaiming God's Word

Children's Sermon

*Hymn

“Be Thou My Vision”

(UMH #451)

Scripture

Proverbs 3:1-12

Sermon

“Lean Not on Your Own Understanding”

Responding to God's Word

Pastoral Prayer and

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.

Offering

*Doxology

(UMH #95)

*Prayer of Dedication

Sacrament of Communion

Sending Forth

*Hymn

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

(UMH #127)

*Benediction

Postlude

* Please stand if able

In Our Prayers

Terry Aossey, Michael Cody, Jade, Grandma Marta, Jackie Barber, Eric Gregory, Lanise Kirk, Jack Kunz, Pam Lower, Rachel Nations, Michael Ryan, Samara White, Friends in Area Nursing Centers, Friends who are Homebound, Those in the Military: Blake Clayton, Chris Dukett, Haley Westermayer, Christian Wells, and All who are Looking for Work.

Worship Online

Our Sunday worship services can be viewed online:

- Website: winchesterilumc.org/multimedia
- YouTube: youtube.com/@winchesterillinoisunitedme213
- Facebook: facebook.com/winchesterumc

Online Giving



"If you'd like to make an offering electronically, you're welcome to use the QR code provided. Regardless of how you choose to participate today, we're grateful for your presence in worship."