

Owatonna United Methodist Church
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~New Fellowship Location After
the Services!~
Join us in the Narthex and outside on
the benches for food,
beverages and fellowship.

Weekly Prayer List

Bret Huisenga;
Dennie & Lori Huisenga: Ben;
Eric Huisenga: Sydney and Chole
Turner, Elijah McKenna;
Kyle & Alyssa Huisenga:
Jackson & Archer;
Barbara Hvitved;
David & Jane Ihrke

Happy Birthday this week

Heather Larson
Peter Beck



If you have any pastoral care needs (in the hospital, illness, home care, etc.)
or know of someone who does, please inform the church office ~ 451-4734.
(The hospital does not call the church).

To watch from home, “Like” our Facebook page, and watch the service live
at 9:00 a.m. on **Facebook Live**.

Also available 24-7 on www.owatonnalive.com
and click on the picture of United Methodist Church.

Welcome to all visitors. When you are signing your name and address on the registration
pad, **please** include your phone number ~ especially if you are new to our community.

August 11, 2024



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We are called to . . .

Gather in Christ's Name,

Grow in God's Love,

Serve All People.

The Order of Worship

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost, August 11th, 2024-9:00a.m.

- Prelude *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* arr. Mark Hayes
- † Welcome and Announcements
- Centering Words
- * Centering Hymn *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying* Black #2193
- Call to Worship:
L: We gather today knowing there are people in our world who are surrounded by violence and conflict on every side.
P: Our work of peace begins with prayer.
L: We gather today knowing there are people in our community who feel lost, alone, abandoned, and forgotten.
P: Our work of love begins with prayer.
L: We gather today knowing there are people in this place, this neighborhood, this world that we all share who experience overwhelming grief, despair, and sorrow.
P: Our work of hope begins with prayer.
L: We gather not to look away from the world but to witness the needs of our neighbors through the lens of God's love.
P: May we be a people who pray and, out of our praying, do the work of bringing peace, love, and hope to all we encounter. Amen.
- Opening Prayer:
Holy God, Creator of Life, you call us out of our dark places, offering us the grace of new life. When we see nothing but hopelessness, you surprise us with the breath of your spirit. Call us out of our complacency and routines, set us free from our self-imposed bonds, and fill us with your spirit of life, compassion, and peace. In the name of Jesus, your anointed one, we pray. Amen.
- Passing the Peace
- * Hymn of Praise *When We Are Called to Sing Your Praise* Black #2216

Prayer of Confession:

O God of compassion, if you kept a record of our sins, who could stand? We come before you with our brokenness and our wounds for all to see. We bring our anger, our bitterness, our unwholesome talk, and our deceitfulness. We try to do good, but sometimes fail. We choose to do evil, and sometimes succeed. Keep your promise to forgive us when we confess to you completely. Without you, we have no hope.

~Silent Confession~

Assurance of Forgiveness

Reading of the Psalm

Psalm 130

* Hymn of Response

Be Still, My Soul

Red #534

Old Testament Reading

2 Samuel 18:15-9, 15, 31-33

L: For the Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us,
for the Word of God within us:

P: Thanks be to God, Amen!

Message

"Lord, Hear Our Prayers"

Pastor Lisa Vick

* Hymn of Response

Sweet Hour of Prayer

Red #496

Prayers of the People

See Insert

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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Offering

* Doxology

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

Red #95

Offering Prayer

* Closing Hymn

I've Got Peace Like a River

Black #2145

Benediction

Postlude

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

arr. John Carter

* Please stand as you are able.

† Welcome to all visitors. Everyone please sign and pass the attendance register, and please join us for a social time after the service.
Large print bulletins and hymnals are available from the ushers.