

Anthion Community Methodist Church

11th Sunday after Pentecost
Lay Pastor Shirley Nelson
August 4, 2024 10:00 AM

Prelude and Lighting of Altar Candles

We Gather in God’s Presence

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Song “Wonderful Words of Life” UMH #600

Call to Worship Liturgist: Marilyn Hladik

L: The Bread of Life has come among us.

P: What is this Bread of Life?

L: It is none other than Jesus Christ, God’s beloved Son!

P: We hunger for the true bread that will nourish our souls.

L: Come, then, to Christ who feeds us with his very life!

P: We come, needing sustenance and nurturing. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Along life’s pathways, we search continually for signs to point us in positive directions. Christ has given us a sign which points us to healing and hope: that is the sign of the Bread of Life. No more shall we hunger and thirst after the things which cannot sustain us. Now we have been fed and nourished by Christ! Open our hearts in gratitude, Lord, for all the wondrous things you have done for us. Open our Spirits to hear your words of hope for us today. AMEN

We Hear God’s Word

First Reading Ephesians 4: 1-8

Psalm 51: 1-12 UMH #785

Children’s Story Shirley

Hymn of Preparation “In Christ There Is No East or West” UMH #548

Gospel Reading John 6: 24-35

Today’s Message “The Bread of Life” Shirley

God Calls Us to Respond

PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE (Joys and Concerns)

Communion Hymn “In Remembrance of Me” TFWS# 2254

The Great Thanksgiving UMH #9

The Lord’s Prayer

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology #95,

Prayer of Dedication

All: God, you have given each of us gifts to use as members of the body of Christ. Here are our gifts, the work of our hands, our hearts, and our lives. We pray that they may help to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to our world, today and always, here and everywhere. AMEN.

Closing Hymn “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” UMH #664

Ministers.....EVERYONE!

Lay Pastor.....Shirley Nelson

Liturgist.....Marilyn Hladik

Organist/Pianist.....Eileen Van Meeteren

IN THE CIRCLE OF OUR CONCERN:

OUR COUNTRY, OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, our church, our community leaders, our president, our farmers, Bobby Lewis, Tom & Cindy Herrick, Fran & Keith Determann, Ed and Carol Davis, Brad Harbaugh, Alta Patterson, Trisha Theisen, Keith Allman, Brady Gothier, Eleanore Lewis, Jean Petersen, Rick Gubbels, Lana Kropf, Tracy Lewis, Roger Nelson, Peggy Hansen, Brittany Miller, Turner, Becca Petersen & Baby Ivy Kate, and Bettina Perkins. Thoughts & Prayers to those who have lost crops, buildings, homes, etc. by the floods.

Remember our Nursing Home Residents!

Please let us know if anyone should be added or removed from this list.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Needed: Several positions are needed to fulfil the officer and committee list for the coming year. If you would be interested in serving for the next year as Chairman of the Board, teaching chair/education committee, or one of the committees, please contact Shirley. We also need Sunday School teachers for a couple of classes. So many wonderful things have happened with the church this year. We are growing and will need more leaders to help continue that growth.

August 19th: Administrative and Finance Board Meeting 7:00pm.

September 1: Sally Schram will be celebrating her 90th birthday at the Anthon Community Methodist Church with an open house from 2-4. Please join her in this celebration.

September 8: Sunday School begins, 9:00.

September 8: Backpack Sunday, Have all of your children, grandchildren or if you have a special carrier that you use, please bring them to be blessed.

Following services, we will be having a picnic, hotdogs, taverns, treats for the everyone attending church. Plan now to celebrate the beginning of the Sunday School year with lunch.

Notes from Shirley: Choir will be starting this fall. If you enjoy singing and are interested in making a joyful noise to the Lord, please contact Shirley.

Also, please keep our home bound, Seniors and nursing home residents in your thoughts and prayers. A card or call or short visit is much appreciated by those who are living alone or are in our Senior housing apartments, nursing homes or assisted living units.

August Readers: Aug. 11-Sue Wilson

August Children Sermon: Aug. 11-Shirley Nelson

Weekly Birthdays and Anniversaries: JoLynne Reimert (4), Carson Hadley (5), Alta Patterson (7), Hannah Hoy (8).

Mission Committee: working on the Gift of Mobility, See details on the table in the fellowship hall.

Women of Faith: are supporting “The Place”, a facility that supports abused women and men. If you would like to contribute anything, there is an orange sheet of Needs on the table in the fellowship hall.

July/August Upper Room Devotionals are on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

Anthon Military: To our men and women in uniform.... past, present and future, God Bless You and Thank You!

If you have a loved one connected to the service, please let us know.

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