



Cicero
United Methodist Church
May 22, 2022

Confirmation:
One step in a
lifelong
adventure of
faith

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** Please stand as you are able*

*** Welcoming music** *“White Flag”*

Greeting

Young Christians Time

Announcements

*** Call to Worship**

Holy God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon those who will be confirmed today in the faith.

Grant all of us wisdom and courage and enable us to grow in our knowledge of your Word and in our love for Christ.

As you have been with us every step of our journey, remind us that we are wholly yours.

We remember your promises to us and commit ourselves to following where you lead, offering ourselves in service to the world in partnership with the church; in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Special Music *“He’s Alive” Performed by: Mike Irwin*

Giving Time

Offertory

*Doxology

*Dedication

Call to Prayer *“O How He Loves You and Me”* TFWS #2108

Prayers of the People

Our Petitions and Celebrations

THE LORD’S PRAYER: Our Father who art in heaven...Amen. On this day we especially pray for.....

***Music to welcome scripture** *“Days of Elijah”*

Scripture

Psalm 103 (CEB)

Acts 16:9-15

Response to the reading: These are God's inspired words for us,
the beloved people of God.
Thanks be to God. AMEN

Reflection

Rev. Susan Ranous

Remarks

Sue Bonspille

Confirmation Creed

I believe that God made the world and created everyone special. God is good and cares for all God created. God is everywhere at once and has power over all things.

I believe that Jesus is God's only Son. Jesus came to walk among us and to be a role model. Jesus' love changes our hearts and the way we should treat each other.

I believe that the Holy Spirit lives in our hearts and minds. The Holy Spirit lives among us and gives us the peace of God. We all experience the Holy Spirit in different ways.

As Christians, we need to love our neighbors as ourselves. This is our greatest mission. We should always look for ways to help others and to be kind. May we also be compassionate like Jesus was.

Service of Confirmation

Confirmands

Anna Rae Eells

Madelyn Elizabeth Hynes

Aiden Casler Young

Welcome Into the Family of Christ

Now it is our joy to welcome our new sisters and brothers in Christ.

Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as members of the family of Christ.

Confirmation

Remember your baptism and be thankful. Amen.

The Holy Spirit work within you, that having been born through water and the Spirit, you may live as a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Reception Into Church Membership

Christ's church exists as one throughout time and across denominational lines.

Will you live out your faith as a part of the body of Christ in connection with the United Methodist Church. *I will.*

Will you commit to worship, learn and serve as a member of the Cicero United Methodist Church, making it your goal to grow into a mature disciple of Jesus Christ? *I will.*

Will you join with us on our mission to create a community of Christians who join God's work here and now by serving our neighbors far and near? *I will.*

Do you covenant to work for the fulfillment of God's vision for the church, faithfully participating in and building up your ministries by offering your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service and your witness? *I do.*

Commendation and Welcome

Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope and perfect them in love.

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and of Cicero United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant to faithfully participate in the mission and ministries of the church by offering our

prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

***Closing Music**

“Here I am Lord”

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***Blessing** The God of all grace, who has called us to eternal glory in Christ, establish you and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit, that you may live in grace and peace. Amen.

***Sending Music**

“This Little Light Of Mine”

****Alter Flowers are in Honor and Memory of Lori Janish: Wife, Mother, and Nonni****

Pastor’s Office Hours

Pastor Diane’s office hours are Wednesdays 10:30-1:00.

Appointments are appreciated but not necessary. Cell: 315-532-3354

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ANNOUNCING OUR MISSION FIELD OPPORTUNITIES

Medical Equipment: If you need a wheelchair or other medical equipment, please give Norm Barkley a call at (315) 699-4155. Norm will be happy to meet you at the church storage area off the parking lot to see what medical equipment is available for loan.

Outreach Information: Please remember to pick up a jar of peanut butter, box of macaroni and cheese, canned pasta, or any nonperishable food for our hungry brothers and sisters. These items can be put in the grocery cart in the Narthex which will go to Brown Memorial or Mission Central's blessing box. Many blessings and thank you!

Confirmation Class: Young persons in 6th grade and above are invited to participate in our formal and informal Confirmation Program leading to church membership. Confirmands are matched with adult mentors for group learning sessions, community activities and one-to-one experiences. Contact Sue Bonspille through the church office for more information.

Red Bird Mission Trip Youth and Adult Trip Planned for August 6 - 13

Youth and adults are invited to join the seven folks already signed up for a trip to the Red Bird Mission in Kentucky this summer! Red Bird Mission offers a chance to learn new skills, make new friends and stretch our faith in taking on repair projects for nearby residents and at the Mission itself. The busy week will include the actual repair work selected for our group plus evening programs, worship, music, Biblical messages, and daily devotions. We leave on Saturday the 6th, overnight along the way and begin our work on Sunday through Friday. We get back on Saturday the 13th. Planning meetings and fundraisers will be held throughout the period leading up to the trip. The registration is \$425 although fundraising is planned to lower that amount. Contact Sue Bonspille or Mike Irwin through the church office for more information on this remarkable, life-changing opportunity!

Refugee Resettlement Ministry – sign-up sheets are in the Welcome Center.

Youth Sunday June 12th – Children will be conducting the Service. Followed by a Cookie and Punch reception

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Teen CanTeen – See Diane Ilaqua for how you can help

UMCOR for Ukraine - By check made out to Global Ministries/**UMCOR** with “Advance #982450-**Ukraine**” written on the memo line, either mailed and addressed to Global Ministries/**UMCOR**, GPO, P.O. Box 9068, New York, NY, 10087-9068 or given at or through any United Methodist church; One hundred percent of all Advance contributions go to the designated cause.

Church Fundraisers:

Book sale and Luncheon is now scheduled for Friday May 20th and Saturday May 21st

Book sale 9:30am-2:00pm,

Lunch served 11:30am-1:00pm.

YOUR Help is much needed and will be greatly appreciated.

We are NOW accepting donations of books, CDs, DVDs, and puzzles. Please bring donations to church and leave in room 7 in the Sunday school wing.

Jan Cerimeli or Nancy Congdon for more information

*****LAST WEEKS COFFEE AND COOKIE HOUR WAS SPONSORED
BY MIKE AND BARB CARPENTER AS A “THANK YOU” FOR THE
SUPPORT DURING THE STEM CELL TRANSPLANT ****

OUR WORSHIP MINISTRY PARTNERS

Worship is prepared and staffed by:

Music Ministry Team: Nancy Congdon, Ben Shearer, Praise Singers

Camera Operator: Joe Finch

Sound Technician: Tim Gauthier; Rick Rudmann

Tech consultant: Rob Smith

Worship Team: Deb Irwin, Nancy Congdon, April Smith, Jan Cerimeli, Jeanette Elwood,
Cindy Brink, Sue Werner

Administrative Assistant: Mary Slack-Nolan

Sunday School is staffed by:

Sue Bonspille, *director*; Vicky Moore, Linda Bouwens, Christine Burton, Rachel Panek, Sarah Jones, Alyssa Dunsmoor, Stephanie Lotts, Larry Bonspille, Emily Bush, Susan Coulter, *teachers*.

The Nursery is staffed by:

Jennifer George & Jennifer Meyer

Interim Co-pastors

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We are handicap accessible with ample parking near each entrance.

Our greeters will gladly provide directions.

