

**Prayer Needs
Support**

Angie Slagle	Austin Smith
Michael Ceyler	Jacob Martin
Chace Hindall	Bob & Marlene Berryman
Jeanette Diehl's Mother	Joshua Scott
Family of Cheryle Johnson	Derek Jones

Healing

Nick Welker	Josh Center	Macey Bryant
Lee Stark	Jennifer Gillespie	Mike South Jr.
Andrea Kittel	Susie Altizer	Ben Sherman
Shirley Lawson	Adam Schulze	Ann Koors
John & Brenda Jackson	Rhonda McKibben	Jim Rankin
Dan Jacobs	Barry Gill	Rob Wagner
Bruce Michael	Pat Kauffman	Lelia McKibben
Tim Hughes	Dave Rose	Greg Slagle
Jim Smith	Peyton Cartwright	Deb Savage
Wayne Bowman	Cindy Barhorst	John Harding
Ryan Strunk	Ernest Hildebrandt	Tyler & Heather
Tammy's Aunt Dawn	Susi Geise's mother	Oakley Infant
Bonnie & Danny Loomis	Floyd & Mary Lou Yinger	Jim Herring
Melanie's neice Rachel	Melanie's friend Cindy	Crawford Foste
Annette Kindell	Bill Sandlin	

Shut-ins: Marcia Atkinson, Bob Berryman, Barbara Massey, Carol Ann Slagle, Carolyn Stone

Military Personnel

TSGT Dan Hall, Nathan Hill, Clint Morgan, Capt. Nate Lukey, SSGT Therron Galesky

Missions and Ministries

Alpha Center	Agape Ministries
Gideons International	Red Bird Missionary Conference
Kobonal Haiti Mission	Jackson Area Ministries
Salvation Army	Revive Ohio
Our College Students	Brad Hurtig/Stand for Truth

*Discover, Experience, and Share God's Love
At Jesus' Country Home*



*New Hope United Methodist Church
8985 W. Mason Rd Sidney, OH 45365
Rob Berryman, Pastor*

*Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ
and to bring hope, grace, and salvation to God's people*

August 20, 2023

Gathering --Prepare for worship by silencing cell phones and ending conversations

Announcements and Passing the Peace

***Opening Song**

“Cornerstone”

Call To Worship

Leader: We gather as people reconciled to one another and God through grace, a gift freely given that we do not earn or deserve. We receive God's grace in our lives, and wonder, “Is it fair?”

All: No! God's grace is not fair. It's a gift of His mercy.

Leader: We gather as neighbors who have experienced difficulties of every kind. We feel uncertain, fearful, and overwhelmed, and we wonder, “Is it fair?”

All: No! Our difficulties are not fair, but God's grace meets our uncertainty with mercy and love.

Leader: We gather as a community that knows the suffering of our neighbors. We look at the effects of poverty, food insecurity, and trauma, and we wonder, “Is it fair?”

All: No! The suffering of our neighbors is not fair, so God's grace calls us to respond to suffering with mercy and justice.

Leader: We gather as people who question how to live into God's abundance and flourishing in a world built on scarcity and greed, and we wonder, “Is it fair?”

All: Yes! God's life of abundance and flourishing is fair, because it is merciful. May His grace form us into people of mercy, justice, compassion, and truth-speaking as we gather today. Amen.

Song

“Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)”

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

All: *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.*

Proclamation of the Word

Old Testament Lesson

pg. 42 Chair Bible

Genesis 45:1-15 (MEV)

Sermon on the Steps

Gospel Lesson

pg. 17 Chair Bible

Matthew 15:10-28 (NRSV)

Message

Searching for the Face of God – Week 3
“Is It Fair?”

Back-to-School Blessing

*Closing Song

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

*Benediction and Dismissal

(*You are invited to stand as able)

Hearing Assisting Devices are available for use during worship. Check with a technician in the booth to receive one.

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