



LIBERTY LANTERN



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A WORD FROM PASTOR CLARE...

Hello Church,

Recently I have noticed many of the morning shows are filled with talk about it being Autumn or Fall; but in our heat, I tend to think we are only in the middle of our Summertime.

However, it is September, which is the month when we celebrate **Stewardship** of our time, talent, and treasure. You will be receiving or have already received a letter from **Mike Match** spelling out our 2024 Commitment drive. Please take extra time to pray about how you can support Liberty Church with your time, talent, and treasure.

I would like to remind you that **Adult** Sunday Study begins again this Sunday the 10th. The Creed class, based on the book by Adam Hamilton, begins on Monday, Sept. 11th.

The **young people** (and teachers) are having a blast putting together a 3-D puzzle of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem during their study of the Historical Jesus.

Considerable action is taking place here at Liberty as we serve our community, but we are missing **YOU**. Again, I ask that you pray about how you can best serve here at church and our in the world.

Blessings of love and peace,
Pastor Clare



Check out the feature article from the Worship Chair after the Calendar and thank you Worship Team for the autumn colors in the Sanctuary!

THE LIBERTY CALENDAR...

Sunday, 9/10 – Communion Sunday
Adult Study 8:45 AM in Memorial Hall

Ad Council meets at 11:45 AM, Conf. Room

Monday, 9/11 –
Creed Study Begins, 10:00 AM, Conf. Room

Tuesday, 9/12 –
Bodacious Women, 10:00 AM, Memorial Hall

Wednesday, 9/13 –
Choir Practice, 6:30 PM, Sanctuary

Thursday, 9/14 –
Hand & Foot (Canasta), 6:00 PM, Memorial Hall

Friday, 9/15 –
Comm Team Zoom Call, 10:30 AM, SPECIAL MEETING to review Nov. 5 Invitations Lists

Sunday, 9/17 –
Adult Study, 8:45 AM, Memorial Hall

Worship Committee Meeting, 11:45 AM

Monday, 9/18 –
Planning & Development Zoom Meeting 11:00 AM, Contact Pastor Clare for link.

Tuesday, 9/19 –
Bodacious Women, 10:00 AM, Memorial Hall

Wednesday, 9/20 –
Choir Practice, 6:30 PM, Sanctuary

Thursday, 9/21
Hand & Foot (Canasta), 6:00 PM, Memorial Hall

Friday, 9/22 –
Comm Team Zoom Call, 10:30 AM, Contact Pastor Clare if interested in joining this call.



INTERESTING FACTS:

A Spanish Revival style building is most often identified by distinctive curved **parapets**, the wall extending up above the roof line. Liberty UMC is actually considered a slightly “more ornate” example as it includes the actual squared bell tower, symbolizing a mission church.

WHAT’S UP WITH WORSHIP...

Dear Liberty:

Blessings for you all in the coming days! Your Worship committee is getting ready to meet and begin plans for the upcoming Advent Season.

We are scheduled to meet on Sunday, September 17th at 11:45 AM in the Conference Room. We will be making plans for the 2023 Christmas Season. This season is a little unusual as Christmas Eve day, December 24th, falls on a Sunday!

So, stay tuned as we work together to set plans for our Christmas services in motion.

Your sister in Christ,
Michele Justice,
Worship Committee Chair

COMING UP IN THE LECTIONARY:

Proper 18 (23) Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 10, 2023 <i>ART -- PRAYER</i>	Exodus 12:1-14 Psalm 149	Ezekiel 33:7-11 Psalm 119:33-40	Romans 13:8-14	Matthew 18:15-20
Holy Cross September 14, 2023 <i>ART -- PRAYER</i>	Numbers 21:4b-9 Psalm 98:1-5 <i>or</i> Psalm 78:1-2, 34-38		1 Corinthians 1:18-24	John 3:13-17
Proper 19 (24) Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 17, 2023 <i>ART -- PRAYER</i>	Exodus 14:19-31 Psalm 114 <i>or</i> Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21	Genesis 50:15-21 Psalm 103:(1-7), 8-13	Romans 14:1-12	Matthew 18:21-35

Interested in exploring the Lectionary and what you can find there? Check out the website at Vanderbilt Divinity Library (link below):

[Revised Common Lectionary \(vanderbilt.edu\)](https://www.vanderbilt.edu/divinity/lecionary/)

CLASSIFIEDS



Proof-reading position for qualified person. Must be able to read and correct newsletters twice each month on a Wednesday evening. Please contact the Liberty Lantern Editor at LibertyUnitedMethodist1@gmail.com

Care Shepherds are looking for a volunteer!

Interested in just ‘dipping a toe in’?



This could be just the service opportunity you are looking for, mailing birthday postcards! Work from home for just a couple of months per year, all supplies / postage provided. Contact Rachael at rshearer100@outlook.com to explore this unique opportunity!



Lots of odd jobs are still available for the Nov. 5th Memorial Hall event!

Please check with committee chairs Jane Fricke and Vern Roberts to see how you can help! There will be historical displays and small same day mini-events which will need to be ‘manned’. Tours will be conducted through 4 PM day of needing additional support. There is a way you can help!

Need to contact the Liberty Lantern editor?

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Phone: 623-386-4090 and leave a message. We will get right back to you!

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