

The United Methodist Church in
Wayne



Dawning of a New Day

**12th Sunday after Pentecost
August 20th, 2023**

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

Pastor Karen Gazzillo

INVOCATION

“Almighty and ever-living God, we come before you today to worship and honor you. We acknowledge your holiness and sovereignty and ask for your guidance, protection, and blessings as we begin this service. We pray that your spirit will fill this place and that our hearts and minds will be focused on you. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 121:1-4

Leader: I lift up my eyes to the hills-

From where will my help come?

All: My help comes from the Lord

Who made heaven and earth.

Leader: He will not let your foot be moved

He who keeps you will not slumber

All: He who keeps Israel

Will neither slumber nor sleep.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, as we gather once again as your people, we confess that we have allowed a host of worries and frustrations to crowd out your word for us. As you give us peace and your transforming love, also forgive all those times when we have been less than faithful disciples. Gently visit us again with your healing powers. Restore our hope and courage and joy for all the times ahead. We ask this in the name of the Master Healer, Jesus Christ.

AMEN.

THE BASKET

SCRIPTURE: Genesis 45:1-15

45 Then Joseph could no longer control himself before all his attendants, and he cried out, “Have everyone leave my presence!” So there was no one with Joseph when he made himself known to his brothers. ² And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard him, and Pharaoh’s household heard about it.

³ Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph! Is my father still living?” But his brothers were not able to answer him, because they were terrified at his presence.

⁴ Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come close to me.” When they had done so, he said, “I am your brother Joseph, the one you sold into Egypt! ⁵ And now, do not be distressed and do not be angry with yourselves for selling me here, because it was to save lives that God sent me ahead of you. ⁶ For two years now there has been famine in the land, and for the next five years there will be no plowing and reaping. ⁷ But God sent me ahead of you to preserve for you a remnant on earth and to save your lives by a great deliverance.^[a]

⁸ “So then, it was not you who sent me here, but God. He made me father to Pharaoh, lord of his entire household and ruler of all Egypt. ⁹ Now hurry back to my father and say to him, ‘This is what your son Joseph says: God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; don’t delay. ¹⁰ You shall live in the region of Goshen and be near me—you, your children and grandchildren, your flocks and herds, and all you have. ¹¹ I will provide for you there, because five years of famine are still to come. Otherwise you and your household and all who belong to you will become destitute.’

¹² “You can see for yourselves, and so can my brother Benjamin, that it is really I who am speaking to you. ¹³ Tell my father about all the honor accorded me in Egypt and about everything you have seen. And bring my father down here quickly.”

¹⁴ Then he threw his arms around his brother Benjamin and wept, and Benjamin embraced him, weeping. ¹⁵ And he kissed all his brothers and wept over them. Afterward his brothers talked with him.

Reader: The word of God for the people of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE: Is Life Always Fair?

Pastor Karen Gazzillo

SONG:

Dawning of a New Day

music and lyrics by Karen Gazzillo sung by Cathy Nalesnick

PRAYER OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The Lord's Prayer

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.

WORSHIPING GOD THROUGH OUR GIVING

OFFERTORY

Give Thanks

***Give Thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son. X2***

***And now let the weak say "I am strong;" let the poor say, "I am rich"
Because of what the Lord has done for us. X2***

Doxology

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.***

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

All through this day, O Lord, by the power of your quickening spirit, let us touch the lives of others for good, whether through the words we speak, the prayer we speak, or the life we live. Amen

Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks.

*** CLOSING HYMN 463: Lord Speak to Me**

BENEDICTION:

Gracious God, please be with us as we go out into the world. Help us to listen without judgement, to help those in need and to do everything we can to bring glory and honor to Your name. Amen

POSTLUDE

**We are grateful for the Reverend Karen Gazzillo
for her leadership and preaching this morning!**

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***Pastor Ninabeth will be away on vacation from
August 12th through August 21st.***

ANNOUNCEMENTS August 20th, 2023

CALENDAR OF EVENTS August 21st – August 27th

Monday August 21st

AA mtg @ 7:30pm in Fellowship Hall (Room 8)

Tuesday August 22nd

Makers Place Camp 10am – 2pm

Wednesday August 23rd

Karate @ 4pm in the underground

Bible Study @ 12pm in Fellowship Hall BYO Lunch

Grace Café @ 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall BYO Dinner

Thursday August 24th

Karate @ 4pm in the underground

Friday August 25th

Prayer and Devotion with Pastor Ninabeth @ 7am on Facebook

Sunday August 27th

Worship Service @ 10am

Prayer and Devotion on Friday Mornings

7am on Facebook

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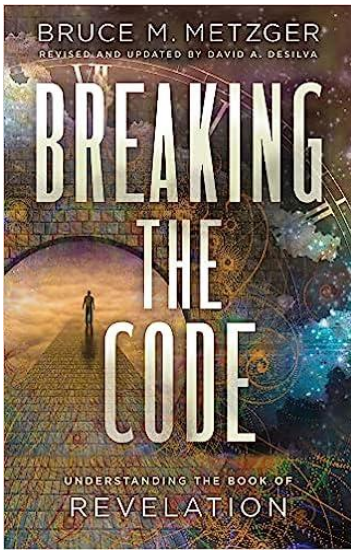
Join Pastor Ninabeth for this 30-minute gathering every Friday Morning.

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Our annual **Rummage Sale** will be held on Friday, September 15th from 6-8PM (\$5 first-pick entrance fee) and on Saturday, September 16th from 9AM-3PM. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year! We are currently collecting items, if you have donations please bring to the French Chapel. (Please see details of types of donations we will or won't accept on bulletin boards outside of the sanctuary.) We are **seeking volunteers** for our **Rummage Sale** to help with sorting, pricing, cleaning up, etc. Opportunities to give of your time towards our biggest outreach event of the year will be **Tuesday 9/12, Wednesday 9/13, Thursday 9/14 starting at 6:30pm, Friday 9/15, & Saturday 9/16 all day!**

Sign-up sheet is on Bulletin Board outside of the Church's Office!



Breaking the Code:

6 Week Study on the Book of Revelation Wednesday's at 12pm BYO lunch

If you are joining us on Zoom here are the
Meeting ID: 851 3314 4096 and the PW:

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The Book of Revelation contains passages of great beauty and comfort, as well as passages that strike the casual reader as bizarre, bewildering, and sometimes frightening. How are readers today to discern God's message in this peculiar part of the Bible? *This study* provides a trustworthy guide to the rich symbolism of this important biblical book.

August 23 – Babylon and the Seven Bowls

August 30 – New Heaven and New Earth

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