



# The MESSENGER

Late Summer 2025  
**Worship Service Sundays**  
at 10 AM  
on Zoom and Facebook

**Bible Study**  
Wednesdays at 12PM  
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**Friday Morning Prayer**  
7am on Facebook

**Book Study**  
3rd Sunday after worship

**First Friday Fellowship**  
Friday February 7th at 11am

**Christian Meditation**  
Thursdays at 6:30pm

# The United Methodist Church in Wayne

## Welcome to our



## Issue!

Inside is a glance at two of  
the fun events we enjoyed  
this summer.

You will also find some news  
from our Community Garden,  
Fall Sunday School start dates,  
Rummage Sale dates, Book  
Club Book list, and Mission  
and Outreach News!

**UMC Wayne Ministers**  
*All the members of UMC in Wayne*

**Pastor**  
Rev. Ninabeth Metcalf

**Lay Leader**  
Don Matthews

**Music Director**  
Peter Candela

**Jubilation Ringers Director**  
Marilyn Creamer



Our UMC Wayne Sunday School kids enjoyed a Prayerful walk with Jesus this summer and discovered the beautiful nature surrounding our church. Then we used our imaginations to make awesome works of art for our Art Show in October.





*sunday school*

9/21 - First day of classes

9/28 - Mr. Bob's class - only  
3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up. No class  
for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and below

10/5 - art sale/coffee hour

10/12 All Sunday school  
classes (Infants and up)

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# MISSION AND OUTREACH



## School Supplies and backpack collection



16 filled backpacks with supplies were donated to the United Way of Passaic County on August 26th!  
Thank you for all who donated.



The Wayne UMC is hoping to partner with the Heart and Hands mission, based in St Timothy's Lutheran Church on Valley Road in Wayne.

Please explore their website at

<https://www.heartnhandsmisson.org>

to learn about their valuable ministry to the community.

If interested, we can tour their space and meet the volunteers on Monday, September 8.

Please see Anita Dispenziere for more information.

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# OUR COMMUNITY GARDEN UPDATE

## “THE GARDEN OF EATIN”

We are applying for a Dig In Grant!

The Dig In! Program is a partnership between Passaic County and City Green. Dig In! supports the creation of vibrant community gardens and neighborhood farms in urban, suburban, and rural areas of Passaic County for the production of healthy food, neighborhood beautification, and community enhancement. Dig In! provides participants with access to plants, garden infrastructure, garden supplies, funding, educational workshops and consultation all in support of successful and sustainable garden projects.



# Olive Branch Book Club 2025/2026

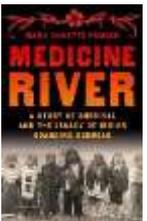
SEPTEMBER: OneGoodThingbyGeorgiaHunter



Historical novel set in Holocaust-era Italy. It follows the story of Lili, a young Jewish woman, and her harrowing journey to protect a child amidst chaos.

[One Good Thing | ReadingGroupGuides.com](https://www.readinggroupguides.com/one-good-thing-georgia-hunter/)

OCTOBER: Medicine River by Mary Annette Pember



In "Medicine River," Mary Annette Pember grapples with the harrowing legacy of boarding schools for Native Americans and the trauma they inflicted on her own family.

[Medicine River by Mary Annette Pember | Penguin Random House Canada](https://www.penguinrandomhouse.ca/books/1388886/medicines-river-by-mary-annette-pember)

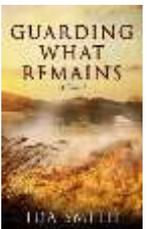
NOVEMBER: How to Read a Book by Monica Wood



A charming, deeply moving novel about second chances, unlikely friendships, and the life-changing power of sharing stories.

[Summary and Reviews of How to Read a Book by Monica Wood](https://www.monica-wood.com/how-to-read-a-book)

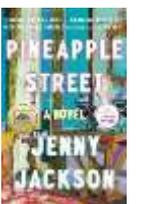
JANUARY: Guarding What Remains by Ida Smith



In the shadow of the Great Depression, a tragedy turned into adventure could have dire consequences for Eleanor and her family. Eleanor is persistent. So, when the unthinkable strikes, and her family loses everything, she believes this new start to be an adventure. If only Teddy isn't left behind.

[Guarding What Remains - Ida Smith Books](https://www.idasmithbooks.com/guarding-what-remains)

FEBRUARY: Pineapple Street by Jenny Jackson



A novel about three women their family, love, and class.

[Pineapple Street Summary & Study Guide](https://www.jennyjackson.com/pineapple-street)



## UMC in Wayne Mission

To welcome all in worship and fellowship, and to grow in faith, love, service, and grace, as we follow the example of Jesus

## UMC in Wayne Vision

Rooted in God's grace, guided by the teachings of Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit, we form disciples of Christ by creating a safe & inclusive community to connect, share, grow in faith, serve, and learn with one another.

## Guiding Scriptures

In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

Matthew 5:16

"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever."

2 Peter 3:18

*WMC in Wayne*

99 Parish Drive,  
Wayne NJ

# RUMMAGE SALE

Get a jump on all of the good stuff!

## PREVIEW SALE

Wed. 9/24 - Thur. 9/25 - Fri. 9/26  
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
\$5.00 per person entrance fee.

## Saturday 9/27

9am - 2pm Full price  
2pm - 3pm bag sale  
Bake Sale all day

## Sunday 9/28

11:30am - 1pm Bag Sale  
1pm - 2pm - Move It Out! FREE STUFF

Men's, Women's and Children's Clothing  
shoes, boots, jewelry, pocketbooks,  
scarves, sunglasses, hats, gloves  
Housewares, lamps, craft, holiday items,  
knick knacks etc

Sale is CASH ONLY.

