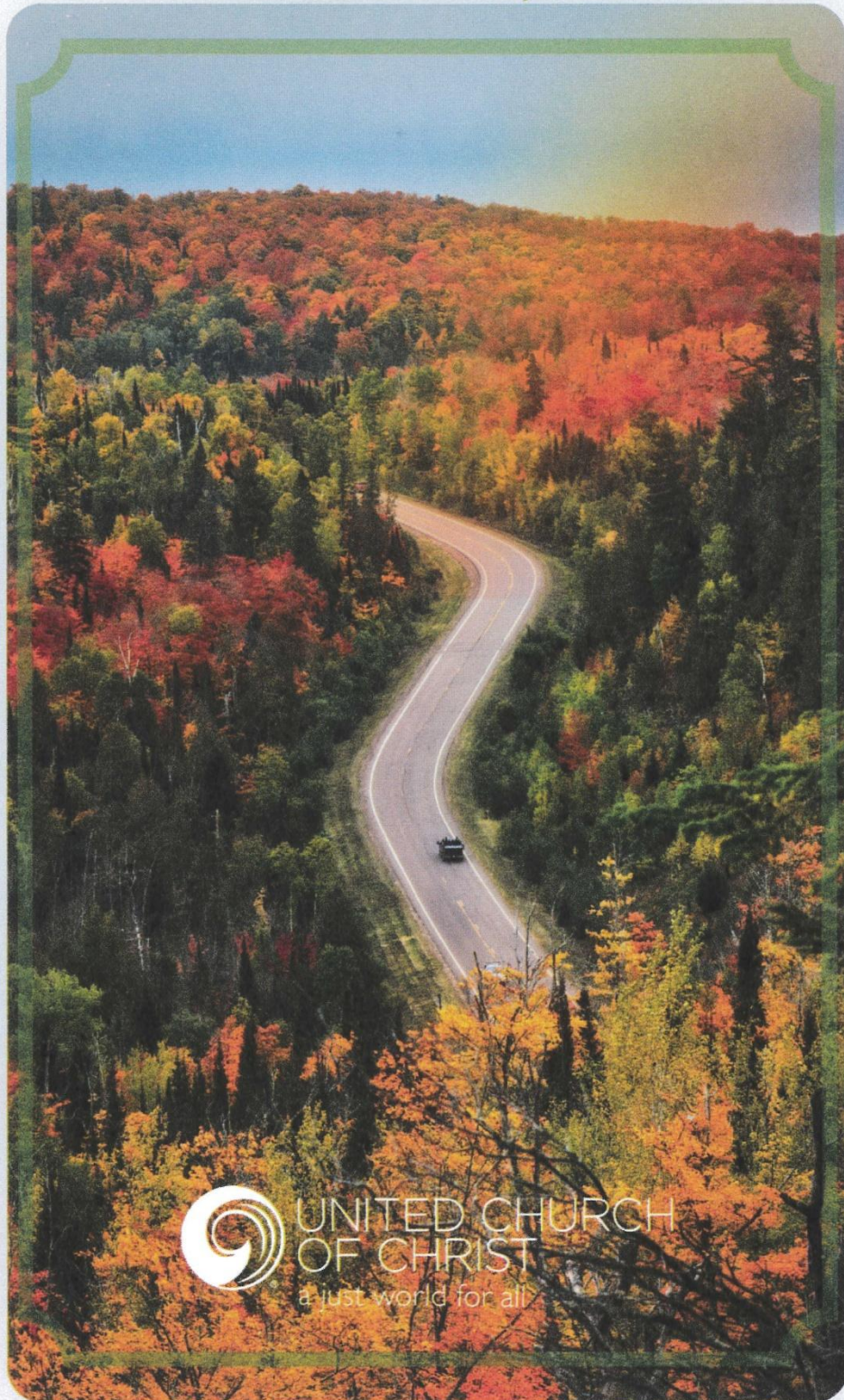


SEPTEMBER 13, 2026



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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Welcome to Evangelical Reformed United Church of Christ

Thank you for worshiping with us at Evangelical Reformed United Church of Christ (ERUCC) this morning. We extend a special welcome to our guests.

If you are a guest, please visit us at the Welcome Table in the lobby. We would love to meet and learn more about you, and we are available to answer your questions. Please also feel free to reach out to someone sitting near you and ask them questions about the service or church. We encourage you to join us in the Community Room for Fellowship after the worship service for casual conversation and connection over light refreshments.

ERUCC is an Open and Affirming Church of the United Church of Christ. We welcome into the full life and ministry people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions.

For Children: We have trained nursery staff for ages 0-4. A deacon or greeter can guide you to the nursery. Children aged 5 and above are invited to stay and worship with their families. Children's programs, books, and crayons are in the rear of the sanctuary and a children's table is available for quiet activities at the front of the sanctuary.

We ask that you **please silence your cell phones** during our worship service. We also ask that you refrain from applause after our choirs sing and allow the music to resonate in the quiet of the sanctuary and in your hearts. Our musicians are playing and singing for the glory of God. They know you appreciate their efforts and their gift.

Restrooms, accessible and equipped with changing stations, are located on the 2nd floor, below the sanctuary, and on the 1st floor, outside the Community Room. Single-occupant, all-gender, accessible restrooms are located outside the North and Flora Rooms on the 2nd floor.

There is more information about our church in this bulletin and on our website: www.erucc.org.

Mission Statement of Evangelical Reformed United Church of Christ

We, the members of this congregation, seek to celebrate in word and deed the gospel of Jesus Christ, by nurturing spiritual growth through worship, study and prayer; by caring for one another as God cares for us; and by proclaiming God's love for all people as we work to help our neighbors near and far.

We commit ourselves to develop and implement specific programs to fulfill our mission.

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EVANGELICAL REFORMED
United Church of Christ
– An Open and Affirming Congregation –



September 13, 2026 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 AM

The numbered hymns are from The New Century Hymnal

**All who are able may stand*

Bold text read in unison

REJOICE IN THE WELCOME SUNDAY

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Josh Privitt

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

***CENTERING BREATH**

COMMISSIONING & BLESSING OF TEACHERS

LITANY OF COMMITMENT

(To the Teachers) Sisters and brothers, you have been called by our church to fulfill the responsibilities of teachers of the faith. You have been called to help teach others to grow in their relationship with God through mind, body, and spirit. Having prayerfully considered the duties and responsibilities of this ministry, are you prepared to serve with the help of God?

I am.

Do you promise to exercise your ministry diligently and faithfully, showing forth the love of Christ?

I do, relying on God's grace.

Will you share your love, peace and Christian joy with everyone so people may see in you the life of Christ?

I will with the help of God.

(To the Congregation) Will you, brothers and sisters, promise to support and care for those you have called to this ministry?

We will with the help of God.

BLESSING OF THE TEACHERS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

You Are Welcome Here

-G. DeMan

Chorus:

**You are welcome here,
no matter who you are,
No matter where you are, on life's journey.
You are welcome here, no matter who you are,
Come and join with us, we're united in the
church of Christ.**

**Come now all people, join in the song,
Come be a part of the family of God.
We are God's people and you belong,
Share in the joy of Christ. [Chorus]**

**We pray for justice; we pray for peace;
We hear the word of the Savior of all.
We find God's mercy; we find release,
Sharing the joy of Christ. [Chorus]**

**Lifting each other; doing what's right;
Standing together, whatever may come;
Praising our Savior, shining our light,
Sharing the joy of Christ. [Chorus]**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God welcomes all! Young to old, small to tall, all are welcome!

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

God welcomes all! Poor to rich, casual to formal, all are welcome!

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

God welcomes all! All sexual orientations, all gender identities, all are welcome!

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

God welcomes all! Republican to Democrat, Green Party to Libertarian, all are welcome!

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

God welcomes all! No matter if it's your first week here or if you have been coming for a LONG time, all are welcome!

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

God welcomes all! People from all places, speaking all languages, all cultures, all are welcome!

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

***OPENING PRAYER**

God of Heaven and Earth, we bask in your presence and invitation. We thank you for being our Companion and Counselor. Receive our praise, thanksgiving, worship, and petitions. You are the object and center of our worship so we fix our attention on you. We remember your awesome acts. We are grateful for your love and welcome. We worship you for who you are. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN**

Crashing Waters at Creation

#326

**Crashing waters at creation ordered by the Spirit's breath,
First to witness day's beginning from the brightness of night's
death.**

**Parting water stood and trembled as the captives passed on
through,
Washing off the chains of bondage – channel to a life made new.**

**Cleansing water once at Jordan closed around the One foretold,
Opened to reveal the glory ever new and ever old.**

**Living water, never ending, quench the thirst and flood the soul
Well-spring, Source of life eternal, drench our dryness, make us
whole.**

***PRAYER FOR GRACE** (inspired by Romans 14)

Holy One, you have given us companions in life, family, friends, and neighbors. As Romans 14:7-8 reminds us, "For we do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord..." Help us live in ways that reflect your goodness, righteousness, and truth. Help us to love our neighbors as truly

part of your creation. Help us repair what has been damaged, redeem what has been lost, and restore what has been broken. Amen.

***WORDS OF GRACE**

Beloved, God gives us the gift of welcome and accountability. Hear and receive that God welcomes us all as God's children. Hear that God holds us accountable for our missteps. Hear that God loves us enough to expect the best from us, because we are ALL a part of God's creation. Believe and receive God's love and grace. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Children, youth, and all who wish to join them are invited to come forward for a special message.

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.**

*Children aged 5 through 5th grade who wish to participate in **Junior Church** may meet leaders at the back of the sanctuary. Children will return to their families in worship by 11:30 AM.*

HYMN

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

#286

Chorus: **Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness
calling and free,
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness,
wind, wind on the sea.**

**You moved on the waters,
you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains
from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons you called to each thing:**

**“Awake from your slumbers
and rise on your wings.” [Chorus]**

**You swept through the desert,
you stung with the sand,
and you goaded your people
with a law and a land;
and when they were confounded
by their idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets
to open their eyes. [Chorus]**

**You sang in a stable,
you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence
when the whole world was still;
and down in the city
you called once again,
when you blew through your people
on the rush of the wind. [Chorus]**

**You call from tomorrow,
you break ancient schemes.
From the bondage of sorrow
all the captives dream dreams;
our women see visions,
our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions
your people arise. [Chorus]**

THE SCRIPTURES (NRSVue translation)
Psalm 103:(1-7), 8-13
Romans 14:1-12

Molly and Julianne Black

Reader: May God bless the reading of this word.
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Josh Privitt

MORNING PRAYER

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

As we benefit from the treasures of a bountiful creation, the Holy One charges us to remember our roles as caretakers and our responsibilities as recipients of God's good and perfect gifts. Let us hold ourselves accountable by giving freely, generously, and cheerfully to the redemptive, restorative work of God's church.

This is a time during worship when we respond to God's gifts of love by offering the gifts of our lives. For many of us, this is when we make a financial gift to our church's ministries and programs. We also use this time to ask God how we might use the gifts of our hands and hearts to share God's love.

If you wish to give, you can give online at www.erucc.org, by placing your gift in the offering plates in the rear of the sanctuary before or after the service, or by scanning the QR code to give from your phone.



OFFERTORY

Blessings

Spirit

- L. Story, arr. Cliff Duren

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous God, magnify the offerings we bring. May they be fruitful for the care of creation, the faithfulness of your church, and the needs of the world we inhabit. Be glorified through our generosity. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

#526

Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos' (We Are Marching in the Light of God)
(English lyrics)

**We are marching in the light of God
We are marching in the light of God
We are marching in the light of God
We are marching in the light of God
We are marching O-oh
We are marching in the light of God
We are marching O-oh
We are marching in the light of God**

*BENEDICTION

May the blessings of God empower you.
May the accountability of God transform you.
May the mercy and forgiveness of God release you.

May the love of God embolden you.
May the peace of God assure you.
And, may the grace you receive be the grace you extend.

CHORAL BENEDICTION

May You Run and Not Be Weary

- P. Murakami, arr. H. Wins,
adapted by N.L. Butler-Moore

**May you run and not be weary
May your heart be filled with song
And may the love of God
Continue to give you hope
And keep you strong
And may you run and not be weary
May your life be filled with joy
And may the road you travel
Always lead you home**

During the postlude, please remain seated, letting the music flow over you as a closing blessing.

POSTLUDE

Excerpt from *Blessings*

Jonas Dawson, piano, and Joseph Baker, drum
- L. Story, arr. C. Duren



Worship Notes: Liturgy is adapted from *To Settle Accounts: Service Prayers for the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost Year A*, written by the Rev. Dr. Cheryl A. Lindsay, Minister for Worship and Theology for the United Church of Christ.

~ We thank Joe Baker for sharing his gift with us in worship today!

Please join us for **Fellowship** after worship in our Community Room (1st Floor), where all are invited to participate in intergenerational table activities and our favorite cookies and milk. Around the room, there will be opportunities to sign up for volunteering in a variety of ways! Consider bringing cookies to share!

The flowers on the altar this morning are in memory of loved ones by Audrey Rayfield.

The yellow rose is presented by Tyler York in remembrance of those who were prisoners of war (POW) and those who are missing in action (MIA), as well as their families.

Attendance Last Sunday: 21 at 8:30 AM, 107 at 10:30 AM, and 81 online.



Watch worship live every Sunday at 10:30 AM or on-demand:

<https://erucc.org/visit/sunday-live-stream>

Serving Today: Sept 13

Deacons: Robin A. Brady-Slifer
Robin L. Brady-Slifer
Elder: Jeanellen Kallevang
Scripture Reader: Molly and Julianne Black
Acolyte: JD Bowman
Greeters: Sue Pinner, Cathie Duncan
Barb Barry
Welcome Table: Emily Sexton
Audio/Visual: Jeff Schaeberle, Ethan Kline
Jeffrey Baker
Nursery:
Fellowship: Emily, Chris, Abby, & Ben Spear
Jocelyn, Chris, & ElaRose Vara
Rachael, Josh, JD, &
Vivi Bowman

Serving Next Week: Sept 20

Kyle Miller
Tommie Bradshaw
Eric Weakly

Wyatt Pomeroy
Felecia Bishop
Barb Barry
Betsy Selby, Eric Weakly
Kelly Esslinger, Ethan Kline
David Howard

Starr Schaeberle, Mark Ulrich
Darryl Glick, Julie Chappell
Betsy Selby, Angela Brittain
Paul McGinley

Next Sunday: September 20 – Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 145:1-8 | Philippians 1:21-30

"Sing Praise Together!"

Pastor Josh Privitt will preach and lead worship. The Senior Choir will sing.

PRAYER LIST

We invite you to hold the following people in your prayers this week. Though we may not know the specifics of their needs, God does, and our prayers are a meaningful way to surround them with love and support.

ERUCC seeks permission before adding a name to this list or in worship announcements. There are many for whom we pray and visit whose names are not listed in the bulletin by their request.

Sherry Hoover (mother of Ashley Coen)	Izzie Sims (friend of Molly Black)	Emogene and Don Wyand
Susan Slade (mother of Arthur Slade)	Robert Debonis (uncle of Sophia Carliss)	Bob Pinner
Jack (nephew of Pastor Kirstin in military duty)	Barbara Heverley	Jim Baldree (father of Chuck Baldree)
Family and friends of Rose Plankey (mother of Kathy Gourlie)	Todd Starr (nephew of Mary Staley)	Lee Thomas
Jessica Snyder (niece of Janice Staley)	Sharon DiDonato (aunt of Darryl Glick, friend of Mark Ulrich)	Marcia Eisenstein
Debbie Jennings	Ginny Peters	Derek C. Hupp (grandson of Beanie and Gaylon Cornell)
Betty Schaeberle	Karen Stitely	Wayne Kolb (friend of Stefan and Judi Mach and Tony and Linda LaFianza)
John Maslowski	Donna Baumgardner Smith (friend of Sandra Trout)	Jeannette Johnson
Dan Rice (partner of Alison Shafer)	Bill Cassell (brother of Ave Barr)	Jackie Keyser (sister-in-law of Betsy and Phil Selby)
Daniel Schaffer (neighbor of Kathleen & Niel Jefferson)	Sandra Trout	Paige Coffey
Mike Simms	Mary Staley	Fran Wenner
Carroll Smith (friend of Sandra Trout)	Pat Condo	Bonnie Devilbiss
Tom Ford	Wells Condo	Tina Prescott (daughter-in-law of Barbara & Bill Prescott)
Ingrid Jacobsen	Tom Frazier	Heleen (sister of Karin Mens)
Charlie Woodward	Pauline Marendt	Kathy Blue Shores (friend of Jean Fish & Barb Biser)
	Colton Pudvah (great-nephew of Kim Sexton)	
	Carol Spera (mother of Mark Ulrich)	

Please notify the church office when you want your request removed from the prayer list.

PASTORAL CARE

ERUCC wants to be there for you when you're experiencing an illness, hospitalization, or other life event for which you or someone you love may need a visit.

Members who are in nursing homes and those who currently reside in their homes but are unable to come to regular Sunday morning services will receive communion from our pastoral team. Our Faithful Friends Team also makes visits, calls, and sends care cards. If emergency pastoral care is needed in the case of crisis, death, or severe illness, please contact the church office at (301) 662-2762 or erucc@erucc.org.

Activities, Events, and Announcements

PACK THE PANTRY

Sunday, September 13, during both worship services

Let's continue to BE the Church by supporting our neighbors in need. Once a month, we work together to fill the Frederick Community Fridge pantry in our church parking lot.

National Linguini Day is Sept 15th!

You are invited to bring any shape pasta or your favorite shelf-stable sauce to worship and place them on the table at the chancel as you arrive. We will offer a prayer of dedication over the items before sending them out to bless our neighbors.

Contact: Kim Sexton, mkssexton@comcast.net.

WEDNESDAY PRAYERS

Wednesdays

Sanctuary, 4:30 p.m.

On Wednesday afternoons, you are invited to enter the church (doors open at 4:15 PM) and proceed to the front of the sanctuary in silence. We will pray silently in our own personal traditions. We begin promptly at 4:30 PM and end at 5:00 PM. What you can expect: substance for your everyday journey. Led by Rev. Richard Leslie.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY WITH REV. JOHN SHILLINGBURG (STARTING 9/13)

Sunday morning 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.,

North Room / Zoom: <http://tinyurl.com/ERUCCsunstudy>

Wednesday evening 7:00 – 8:15 p.m.,

North Room / Zoom: <http://tinyurl.com/ERUCCwedstudy>

Each week there are two opportunities to engage in Bible study with other adults--Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. and Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. Both classes are hybrid: you can join in person in the North Room or via Zoom.

Each class takes the same approach--exploring scripture in its original context, considering who wrote it and how it has been interpreted over time. This multi-faceted approach leads to deep learning and engaging conversations. No prior knowledge is required. New participants are always welcome. This fall, the Sunday morning class will be engaging the Gospel of John. The Wednesday evening class will be considering the book of Job. Join us at one or both!

THEOLOGY AMONG THE PEOPLE WITH REV. DR. REBECCA SHILLINGBURG

Tuesdays

North Room / Zoom, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Zoom: tinyurl.com/tuetap

Theology Among the People (TAP) resumes on Tuesday, **September 22nd**. We will begin with a review of the early chapters of *Genesis for Normal People* by Peter Enns and Jared Byas, making it easy for anyone to join us. If you are not a Bible scholar but want to be able to read Genesis and understand its big picture, this brief, witty book is the guide you've been waiting for. Clear summaries and thought-provoking questions provide direction for personal reflection and group discussion. Peter Enns, a Biblical Studies professor, and Jared Byas, an Old Testament professor, summarize the book's key themes and help us see Genesis as an ancient story, one with continued relevance for human experience today.

UN-BURDENED, FREDERICK COUNTY UNITED IN RELIEF



Medical Debt

ERUCC is partnering with Grace UCC, All Saints Episcopal Church, Calvary United Methodist Church, Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Frederick, and St. Katharine Drexel Catholic Church for an Undue Medical Debt campaign. As Grace UCC said, "Too many of our neighbors are burdened with medical debt, and we want to unburden them."

Please consider giving to this campaign. If we raise \$103,172.00, we will wipe out \$15 MILLION DOLLARS in accumulated medical debt! This would unburden more than 14,000 of our neighbors right here in Frederick County. What a perfect opportunity to come together and make a real difference in the lives of our neighbors!



To give, please visit: <https://bit.ly/FCUnitedInRelief> or scan the QR code:

To pay by check, please make payable to Undue Medical Debt and note "Unburdened Frederick County" on the memo line of your check. Checks can be left with Ann in the church office or in the Kieffer Lobby on Sunday mornings. Checks can also be mailed directly to Undue Medical Debt at P. O. Box 411675, Boston, MA 02241-1675.

NEW PARKING SIGNS

You may have noticed that the City of Frederick posted two new signs in front of the Sanctuary that read "No Parking – Sunday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Dropoff & Pick-Up".

Please note that we are no longer permitted to use the handicap bags.

Therefore, we ask that anyone who **does not** have mobility issues please refrain from using the parking lot or parking spaces closest to the church so those with mobility issues can easily navigate to the church. Please contact the church office if you have any questions.

GREEN TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join the Green Team in caring for our native plant gardens.

Creating native plant gardens in urban spaces helps preserve biodiversity on earth.

Join us in making our native plant garden a place where we can retreat for prayer or meditation as well as a place where native plants and animals can thrive.

HELP NEEDED!

Saturday, September 19, 8:30-11:00 a.m. - Help prepare the garden for mulch by weeding and removing old mulch.

Saturday, September 26, 8:30-11:00 a.m. – Help lay weed-blocking fabric and spread mulch. Bring water and garden gloves if you have them. Garden tools like shovels, rakes and clippers are also helpful but are not required. Contact Linda Coyle with any questions and to RSVP: lkcoyle@yahoo.com.

Just showing up is great too!

SAVE THE DATE! Sunday, October 18, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Tom Dorz, one of our resident photographers and Green Team member, has agreed to lead a Spiritual Photography walk. Whether you have a fancy camera or just a phone camera, we invite you to join us in taking a closer look at our awesome natural world. Details on location and directions to follow.

KEEP ME IN STITCHES CRAFT DAY

Saturday, September 19

North Room, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

There is a wonderful crafters' gathering in the North Room once a month, which happens to be meeting this month on Saturday, September 19. We'll be there from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Join us for 10 minutes, two hours, or all day. Any craft is welcome, but please, no glitter, (hahahaha!!!) Contact Nancy Jones with any questions, knitwitsrule@outlook.com.

ERUCC BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, September 22, 2026

North Room / Zoom, 7:00 p.m.

Zoom: bit.ly/ERUCCbooks

The ERUCC Book Group's upcoming selection for discussion is *Klara and the Sun* by Kazuo Ishiguro.

In *Klara and the Sun*, Kazuo Ishiguro looks at our rapidly changing modern world through the eyes of an unforgettable narrator to explore a fundamental question: what does it mean to love? For more information, please contact Susan Kulp at smkulp@earthlink.net or Rebecca Shillingburg at rebecca.shillingburg@gmail.com.

Children & Youth Activities, Events, and Announcements

REJOICE IN THE WELCOME: SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS TODAY!

Sunday School for all ages!

9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

All classes are in the Main Building. Children and Youth check in at the Kieffer Lobby.

Adult Bible Study: North Room, taught by Rev. John Shillingburg

High School Youth: The Alcove, taught by Matt and Holly Davis, Eliza Stitely, Jim Brittain

NEW Elementary and Middle School will begin together for a 15-minute gathering of songs and celebrations outside of the Thomas Room and then divide for lessons at 9:30.

Middle School Youth: The Flora Room, taught by Trish Coffey and Arthur Slade

Children: Liz Coffey Room, taught by Kate Fromknecht, Donna Smith, Rachael Bowman, Jeanellen Kallevang, Thomasa Pomeroy, Kirstin Shrom-Rhoads, and Substitutes: Julie Ebersole, Audrey Rayfield

Elementary classes will be learning one Bible story for 3-5 weeks using different modalities, including games, art, cooking, science, spiritual practices, and more! Our first theme is Creation!

CHILDREN AND YOUTH REGISTRATION FORMS AND ANNUAL PERMISSIONS

Children and Youth Permission forms are renewed each fall during the month of September. These are available for you to sign at the Welcome Desk in the Kieffer Lobby on Sunday mornings. If you are new to ERUCC or have not completed an original registration form, you can do so at this link: <https://bit.ly/SundaySchoolReg2026> or scan this QR code:

These forms keep us updated on photo permissions, allergies, emergency contacts, and anything else that you want to communicate about your child.



NURSERY UPDATE FOR FALL

Beginning this month and continuing until we find a second nursery staff member, we may have the nursery only staffed twice a month. On other Sundays, the nursery will remain open for families to view the service from there. We are finalizing a position description and should be ready to share it next week. We are also seeking new nursery volunteers to be a second adult in the room once every 8 weeks. Please see Ashley Murphy or Pastor Kirstin to learn more. Nursery secondary volunteers need to have been part of our congregation for 6 months, have a background check, and review our safe church policies. Primary leaders also go through additional training. **There will not be staff in the nursery today.**

SAFE CHURCH TRAINING

Thursday, **September 24**

Virtual, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, **September 27**

North Room, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

New volunteers and returning volunteers are welcome! We are so thankful for everyone who helps with these ministries! Sign-up information coming soon!

YOUTH BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER

Sunday, September 27

Fellowship, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Our Youth will hold a bake sale fundraiser during Fellowship to benefit our Un-burdened, Frederick County United in Relief campaign. More details to come!

IMPORTANT “SAVE THE DATES” FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH ACTIVITIES

October 10	Youth Trip to Hershey Park
October 16	God’s Kids’ Club
November 1	Youth Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser
November 3	God’s Kids’ Club



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Terry Logee | Jen Powell | Bud Rossig | Eliza Stitely

Sunday Morning Schedule

subject to change

8:30 – 9:15 a.m.	Early Worship , Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Coffee and Conversation , Kieffer Lobby
9:15 AM	Adult Bible Study , North Room
9:15 AM – 12:00 PM	Nursery Care
9:15 – 10:00 AM	Children's Sunday School <i>Pre-K, Nursery</i> <i>K – 5th Grade, Liz Coffey Room</i>
9:15 – 10:15 AM	Youth Sunday School <i>Middle School Youth, Flora Room</i> <i>High School Youth, Alcove</i>
10:30 – 11:30 AM	Worship , Sanctuary and Online at www.erucc.org Junior Church , Thomas Room <i>Participating children are dismissed from Worship (2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays)</i>
11:30 AM	Fellowship , Downtown Community Room

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INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

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*-For Everyone,
Everywhere,
Every Day."*

**JOIN US FOR MUSIC, ARTS, ACTIVITIES,
DISCUSSION, AND REFRESHMENTS!**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH: 2 - 5:30 PM
GRACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST,
25 E. 2ND STREET, FREDERICK, MD 21701**

**FOR MORE INFO OR TO RSVP:
[HTTPS://WWW.FREDERICKFRIENDS.ORG](https://www.frederickfriends.org) ->PLEASE
INCLUDE NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER AGE 12.**

FAMILIES WELCOME!



Early Stage Support Group

Presented by:
Alzheimer's Association
Greater Maryland

Third Thursday of the month
6:00 - 7:00 PM
STARTING: **September 17, 2026**

Urbana Regional Library
9020 Amelung Street, Frederick, MD 21704

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Build a support system with people who understand.

Alzheimer's Association® support groups, conducted by trained facilitators, are a safe place for people living with dementia and their care partners to:

- Develop a support system.
- Exchange practical information on challenges and possible solutions.
- Share feelings, needs, concerns and coping approaches
- Current and accurate information on Alzheimer's
- Learn about community resources including Urbana Library

We always maintain your confidentiality

Live Music
AND DANCES

Activities
FOR KIDS

Great
FOOD

Artisanal
CRAFTS

FREDERICK
Hispanic
Heritage
FESTIVAL

Saturday,
October 3, 2026

Noon – 5PM

Carroll Creek
Downtown Frederick, MD

frederickhispanicheritagefestival.org

The annual Frederick Hispanic Heritage Festival is sponsored by Centro Hispano de Frederick. For almost 20 years, Centro Hispano de Frederick has been helping immigrants succeed, from conducting English, citizenship and women's empowerment classes to STEAM classes for students, enrichment events for seniors and much more.

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