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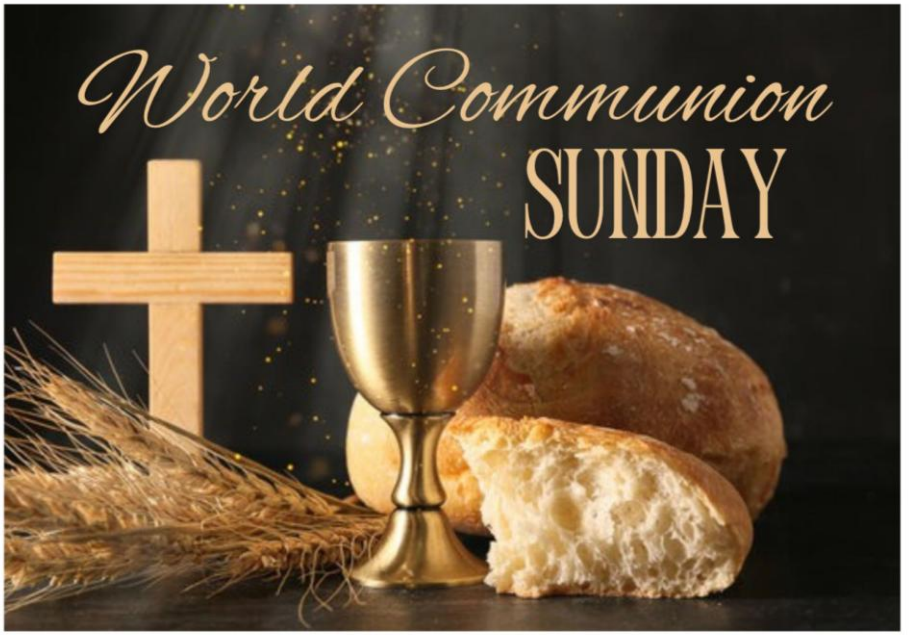

October 4th, 2026
"Who Am I to Judge"
Rev. Michael Barton

Early Service

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 98:7-9)
L: Let the sea resound, and everything in it, The world and all who live in it.
P: Let the rivers clap their hands, Let the mountains sing together for joy.
L: Let them sing before the Lord,
P: For he comes to judge the earth.
L: He will judge the world in righteousness And the peoples with equity.
P: Come, Lord Jesus—judge us with your righteousness and lead us in your truth. Amen.

***OPENING PRAYER**

***HYMN "Just As I Am" No. 488**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**
Righteous and merciful God, You alone are our Judge, yet we are often quick to judge others and slow to examine our own hearts. Forgive us for our pride, our self-righteousness, and the times we have taken Your place as judge. Give us humble and discerning hearts. Help us to recognize sin, seek righteousness, and extend to others the mercy You have shown us. (Silent Confession)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***CONFESSION RESPONSE: "Gloria Patri"**

OFFERTORY

***OFFERING RESPONSE: "Doxology"**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 96:11-13

ANTHEM "Lord, I Want to be a Christian" By: Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Romans 2:1-16

SERMON "Who Am I to Judge" Rev. Michael Barton

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE & HYMN "Come Share the Lord" No. 462

COMMUNION

***CONFESSION OF FAITH**

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***HYMN "In Christ There is No East or West" No. 428**

***POSTLUDE Debbe Picerno**

Late Service

***WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER**

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***HYMN** **"O Come to the Altar"**
"Holy, Holy, Holy" (Verses 1,3 & 4)

OFFERTORY **"Who You Say I Am"**

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INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

HYMN **"Remembrance"**

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***HYMN** **"Lord I Need You"**

POSTLUDE

Music Led By Ruben Marquez & Cindy Candelaria

Thank you to this morning's volunteers!

Greeters: Cindy Musko & Carolyn Street
Welcome Desk: Sue Freund
Fellowship Hour: Julie & Kay Freehling
Liturgist: Autumn Moore

***Those who are able please stand.**

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday:	**8:45 AM**	**Early Service**
	10 AM	**Sunday School**
	11 AM	**Late Service**
	4:30-5:30 PM	**Pageant Practice**
	5:30-7 PM	**Jr High Youth Group**
	6:30-8 PM	**Sr High Youth Group**
Tuesday:	**1 PM**	**Quilting**
	6:30 PM	**Deacon & Trustee Meetings**
Wednesday:	**9 AM**	**Coffee & Conversation**
	6:30 PM	**Choir**
Thursday:	**6-7:30 PM**	**Women's Bible Study**
Friday:	**10-11:30 PM**	**Women's Bible Study**
Saturday:	**9 AM**	**Men's Breakfast @ Mac's Café**
	10 AM	**Grief Fellowship Hour**

SUNDAY SCHOOL KICKOFF- Sunday School will begin today for all ages at 10 AM. Children will be in the education wing and adults will be in the library.

PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH- During October we take time to recognize and honor our pastors and their families for the love, dedication, and sacrifices they make in serving our church family. We are truly blessed to have such wonderful pastors who faithfully lead! Boxes will be placed in the fellowship room for cards and notes of appreciation for Pastor Steve, Pastor Mike, & Tim!

DREAM BIG HONDURAS – Donations are due today, thank you to everyone who donated supplies!

100TH BIRTHDAY- One of our members Pearl Park will be celebrating her 100th birthday on October 29th! We would love her to receive as many birthday cards as possible. Her address is 4931 Nettleton Road Apt 3303 Medina, OH 44256 if you would like to send her birthday wishes.

LYONS FARM FALL FEST- Our Club 35 group will meet at the Lyons farm on Sunday, October 11th from 4-5:30 PM and the youth group will be combined at the farm from 5:30-8 PM. See Pastor Mike for more details.

TRUNK OR TREAT- Join us Saturday, Oct 17th from 4-6 PM. We need volunteers to help with setup, cleanup, parking, kitchen, and donating cookies. Also, those who would like to bring a decorated car and pass out candy. Sign up today.

ADULT MISSION TRIP 2027- We are headed back to Yancey County North Carolina. The trip went so well last year and there is still so much need in the area that Samaritan's Purse committed to five more years of aid in the area. The trip will be March 7th - 13th. Mark your calendars now and let us know if you are interested or talk to Mike Barton if you have any questions about this opportunity.