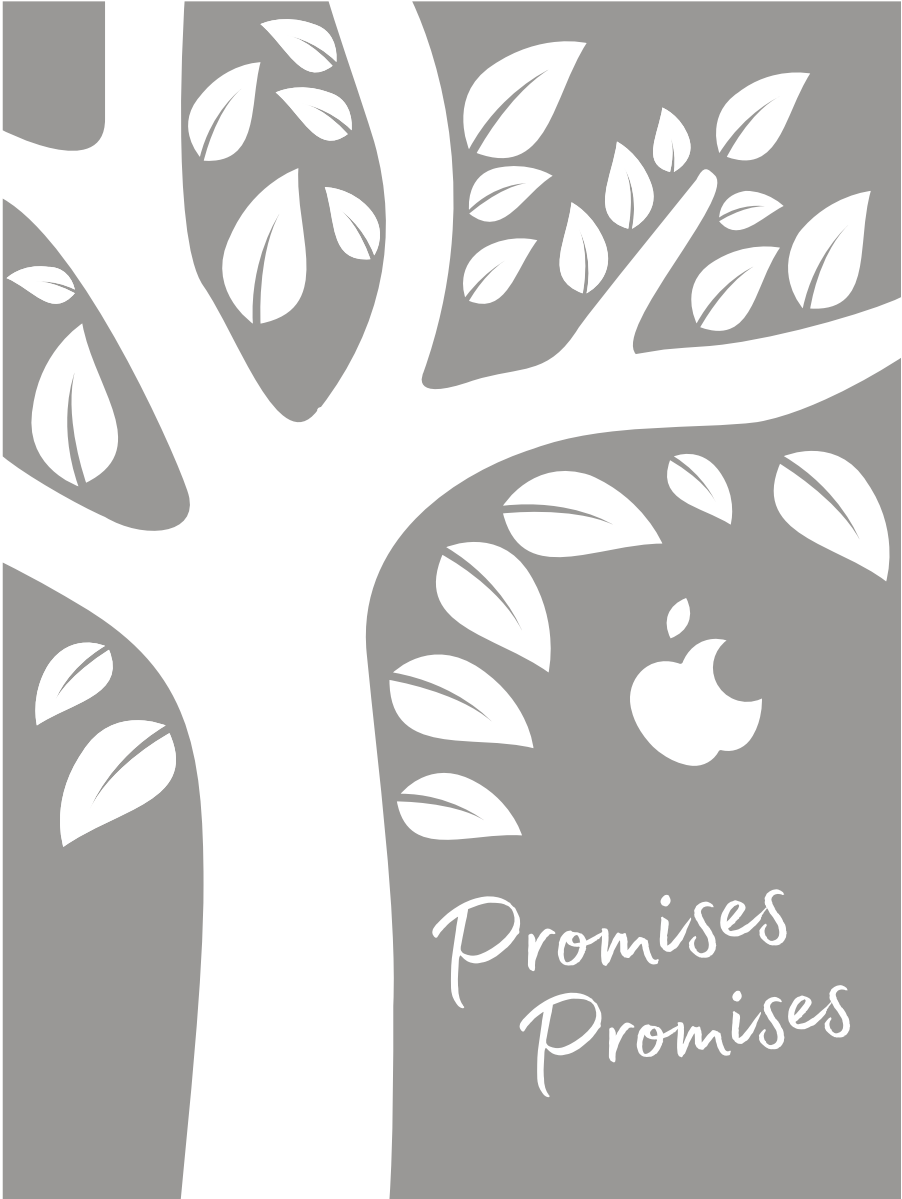


First United Methodist Church Cuyahoga Falls



Welcome to Worship and Live Streaming @9:30am

Third Sunday after Pentecost

9:30am

June 14, 2026

GATHERING

The people of God come together in the Lord's name.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude--Prayer--Edwin M. Flavell

Call to Worship--

Come, let us worship the Lord who reigns over every nation and language.

Though humanity seeks its own glory, God alone is worthy of praise.

He scatters the proud but gathers His people in mercy and grace.

Let us humble ourselves before Him and worship together.

Opening Hymn**77--How Great Thou Art

Invocation (please be seated)--

Lord God, as we gather today, turn our hearts away from pride and self-sufficiency. Teach us to seek Your name above our own. Unite us by Your Spirit and guide us in truth as we worship You. May our lives bring glory to You alone and reflect Your wisdom to the world. In Jesus' name, Amen.

PROCLAMATION

The Word of God is read and proclaimed for all ages.

Scripture Reading--Genesis 11:1-9

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem--The Majesty and Glory of Your Name--Tom Fettke

Summer Choir

God's Word for Young Disciples-- (congregation sings "Jesus Loves Me" as the children come forward)

Sermon--"Promises, Promises: Tower of Babel"

Pastor Howard Pippin

RESPONSE

The People respond to the Word

Hymn of Response **368--My Hope Is Built

Discipleship Moment

Offertory--Meditation--D'Auvergne Barnard

Doxology**

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

Prayers of the 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.

Communion (Hymnal p. 13)

SENDING FORTH

The people of God are sent forth to serve others and witness to their faith.

Closing Hymn **670--Go Forth for God

Benediction **666--Shalom to You

Shalom to You now, shalom, my friends. May God's full mercies bless you, my friends. In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

Postlude--Chorale--Arthur Graham

The flowers on the altar this morning are dedicated to the glory of God and given
in honor of loved ones, by Kim Yoak

Music--One License A-731491

***indicates please stand as you are able*

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The fastest way to contact us is to call the church office. After hours voicemails come through to the church staff.



HYMN LYRICS

OPENING HYMN

#77 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 O Lord, my God, when I in
awesome wonder Consider all the
worlds Thy hands have made, I see
the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe
displayed.

Chorus: Then sings my soul, my
Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou
art! How great Thou art! Then sings
my soul my Savior God, to Thee;
How great Thou art! How great Thou
art!

2 When through the woods and
forest glades I wander, And hear the
birds sing sweetly in the trees; When
I look down from lofty mountain
grandeur, And hear the brook and
feel the gentle breeze: Chorus

3 And when I think that God, His Son
not sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce
can take it in; That on the cross, my
burden gladly bearing, He bled and
died to take away my sin. Chorus

4 When Christ shall come with shout
of acclamation And take me home,
what joy shall fill my heart! Then I
shall bow in humble adoration, And
there proclaim: my God, how great
Thou art! Chorus

HYMN OF RESPONSE

#368 My Hope Is Built

1. My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain:

On Christ the solid rock I stand,
all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

2. When Darkness veils his lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
my anchor holds within the veil. (Refrain)

3. His oath, his covenant, his blood
supports me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way,
he then is all my hope and stay. (Refrain)

4. When he shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in him be found!
Dressed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before the throne! (Refrain)

CLOSING HYMN

#670 Go Forth for God

1. Go forth for God,
go to the world in peace;
be of good courage,
armed with heavenly grace,
in God's good Spirit,
daily to increase,
till in the kingdom
we see face to face.

Go forth for God,
go to the world in love;
strengthen the faint,
give courage to the weak;
help the afflicted;
richly from above
God's love supplies
the grace and power we seek.

Go forth for God,
go to the world in strength;
hold fast the good,
be urgent for the right;
render to no one evil;
Christ at length
shall overcome
all darkness with his light.

Go forth for God,
go to the world in joy,
to serve God's people
every day and hour,
and serving Christ,
our every gift employ,
rejoicing in the Holy Spirit's power.

BENEDICTION

#666 Shalom to You

Shalom to You now, shalom, my friends.
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.

In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

CHURCH NOTES 6-14-26

Church Fest: NEXT SUNDAY!! We will gather at the Cuyahoga Falls Riverfront Amphitheater on Sunday, June 21 for a time of worship and fellowship. Worship will begin at 10:30am (dress for the weather) a catered lunch (Big Eu'es BBQ) will follow in the Pavillion along with activities. A coffee and ice cream truck will be available for purchases. There will not be a worship service in the building that day. If you have mobility issues we are offering a shuttle from our parking lot beginning at 9:30am.

Nursery Help Needed: We are in need of adult help in the nursery on Sunday mornings from now through the end of September. Volunteers are welcome to sign up for any combination of Sundays. We encourage parents who are using the service to help at least one time during this period. Contact Donna Curfman if you would like more information, or would like to help.

Summer Bible Study: Summer Bible Study will NOT meet Sunday, June 21 due to Church Fest. They will resume Sunday, June 28 after worship.

VBS & Chess Camp: Join us for the Snowball Mountain Challenge at VBS this year. It's a rare chance to throw snowballs or make snow in June!! VBS sessions are from June 22-26 and are open to mornings only or all-day events. Registration is open until June 15. Please use the QR code, fliers at the Welcome Center or go to the website to fumccf.mycokesburyvbs.com.

Chess Camp registration is open until June 26. The camp will be held July 6-10 from 9-noon and is for beginners aged 5 and up, as well as more experienced players. See the fliers at the Welcome Center for registration information.

FODDER

Promises: The Tower of Babel

The Tower We Build

The issue was never architecture. God was not threatened by tall buildings. The problem was the human heart.

God's Mercy in the Middle of Judgment

Sometimes what feels like God's interruption is actually God's protection.

Pentecost: Babel Reversed

God's answer to division is not forced uniformity. It is Spirit-filled unity.

The Promise for Us

Perhaps some of us are living in Babel. God is still in the business of reconciliation.

Reflection questions: What towers are you building? How can you allow God to refocus your attention on Him?

Memory verse: Genesis 11:5 The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built.

Next week: Promises: Call of Abram — Genesis 12:1–9

JUNE 22-26, 2026



Registration Opens April 6!



Register VBS



CHESS CAMP



Save the Dates CHESS CAMP

July 6-10, 2026

Registration opens April 20, 2026.
See the Welcome Center for a brochure
with more information.

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CHURCH FEST 2026



SUNDAY, JUNE 21
WORSHIP SERVICE @10:30AM
CATERED LUNCH
& ACTIVITIES FOLLOWING

DOWNTOWN CUYAHOGA FALLS
AMPHITHEATER & PAVILLION



All are welcome to join us for worship and activities!

PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR:

In our community:

We lift up parks & rec staff.

In our Greater world:

We pray for peace.

Our sympathy & Prayers:

From our Congregation:

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Rick Amundsen
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Suzanne Callahan
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