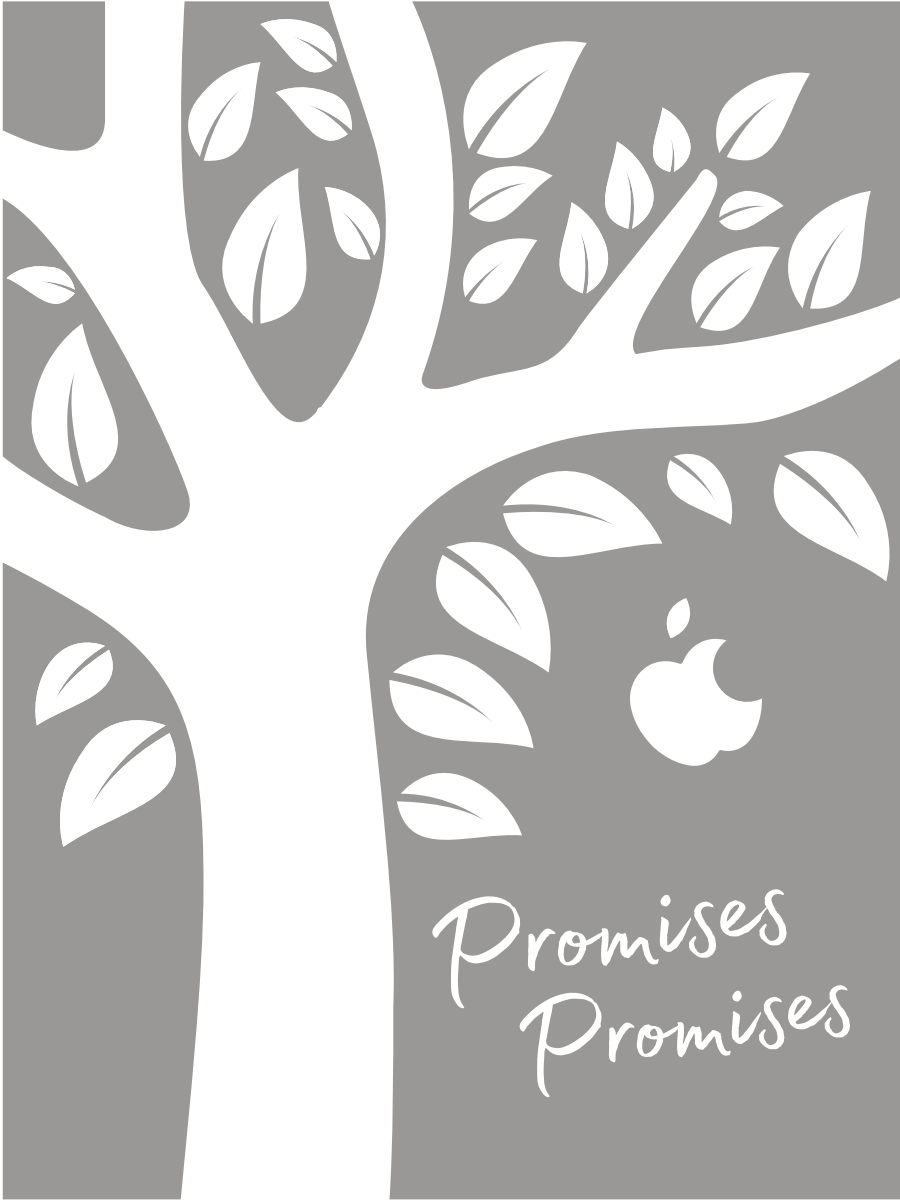


# First United Methodist Church Cuyahoga Falls



Welcome to Worship and Live Streaming @9:30am

## Second Sunday after Pentecost

9:30am

June 7, 2026

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### GATHERING

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

#### ***Welcome & Announcements***

***Prelude--Prelude in A--William H. Callcott***

#### ***Call to Worship--***

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,  
    **for his steadfast love endures forever.**  
who spread out the earth on the waters,  
    **for his steadfast love endures forever;**  
O give thanks to the God of heaven,  
    **for his steadfast love endures forever.**

***Opening Hymn\*\*140--Great Is Thy Faithfulness***

***Invocation*** (please be seated)--

**God of grace and glory, we thank you that you judge us not by the perfection of our actions, but by our readiness to live boldly by faith. Help us, as individuals and as a congregation, to trust you and follow where you lead, that in Christ your name may be glorified in all the earth. Amen.**

### PROCLAMATION

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

***Scripture Reading--Genesis 9:8-17***

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

***Anthem--In Christ Alone--Lloyd Larson***

Summer Choir

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

***Sermon--"Promises, Promises: I Have Set My Bow in the Clouds"***

Pastor Jon Priebe

## RESPONSE

*The People respond to the Word*

**Hymn of Response \*\*121--***There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

**Discipleship Moment**

**Offertory--***Sonata in G Major--James Hook*

**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 \*\*62--***All Creatures of our God and King*

**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--***Postludium: Moderato--Joseph Deschermeier*

**The flowers on the altar this morning are dedicated to the glory of God and given**  
in loving memory of Jerry Pecko, by Becky Pecko  
in loving memory of Steven Carlson, by Jeanette Carlson

**Music**--One License A-731491

*\*\*indicates please stand as you are able*

### **Clergy & Staff**

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## HYMN LYRICS

### OPENING HYMN

#### #140 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 Great is thy faithfulness,  
O God my Father;  
there is no shadow  
of turning with thee;  
thou changest not,  
thy compassions, they fail not;  
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning  
new mercies I see;  
all I have needed  
thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

2 Summer and winter  
and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars  
in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness,  
mercy, and love. Refrain

3 Pardon for sin  
and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence  
to cheer and to guide;  
strength for today  
and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine,  
with ten thousand beside! Refrain

### HYMN OF RESPONSE

#### #121 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

1. There's a wideness in God's mercy,  
Like the wideness of the sea;  
There's a kindness in His justice,  
Which is more than liberty.

2 There is welcome for the sinner,  
and more graces for the good!  
There is mercy with the Savior;  
there is healing in his blood.

3 For the love of God is broader  
Than the measure of our mind;  
And the heart of the Eternal  
Is most wonderfully kind.

4 If our love were but more simple,  
we should rest upon God's word;  
and our lives would be illumined  
by the presence of our Lord.

## CLOSING HYMN

### #62 All Creatures of Our God and King

1. 1. All creatures of our God and King,  
lift up your voice and with us sing,

O praise ye! Alleluia!

O brother sun with golden beam,

O sister moon with silver gleam!

O praise ye! O praise ye!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

2. O brother wind, air, clouds, and rain,  
by which all creatures ye sustain,

O praise ye! Alleluia!

Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,

ye lights of evening, find a voice!

O praise ye! O praise ye!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

3. O sister water, flowing clear,  
make music for thy Lord to hear,

Alleluia! Alleluia!

O brother fire who lights the night,

providing warmth, enhancing sight,

O praise ye! O praise ye!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

4. Dear mother earth, who day by day  
unfoldest blessings on our way,

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,  
let them God's glory also show!

O praise ye! O praise ye!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

5. All ye who are of tender heart,

forgiving others, take your part,

O praise ye! Alleluia!

Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,

praise God and on him cast your care!

O praise ye! O praise ye!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

6. And thou, our sister, gentle death,  
waiting to hush our latest breath,

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou leadest home the child of God,

and Christ our Lord the way has trod,

O praise ye! O praise ye!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

7. Let all things their Creator bless,  
and worship him in humbleness,

O praise ye! Alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,

and praise the Spirit, Three in One!

O praise ye! O praise ye!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## 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 6-7-26

**VBS & Chess Camp:** VBS Planning is in full swing! Registration for the June 22-26 session is live! Use the QR codes to sign-up.

Chess Camp will be held July 6–10. Registration is open! The camp is for both new and experienced players aged K and up. Brochures can be found at the Welcome Center.

**VBS Training:** Our final opportunity for VBS training will be after worship TODAY. See Donna to sign-up, or for more information.

**Summer Bible Study:** Join us for Summer Sunday Bible Study beginning NEXT SUNDAY, June 14th, after the 9:30am service. Jerry Killian will lead the study, focusing on "The Commandments of Jesus—The Essence of Discipleship." John 15:10a -"If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love." Everyone is welcome. Attend one, attend them all. Please sign up at the Welcome Center or call the church office, 330-923-5241.

**Church Fest June 21:** 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 icre cream truck will be available for purchases. There will not be a worhsip service in the building that day.

# FODDER

## **Then God Said**

vs. 8 – God speaks to a world marked by loss and uncertainty

vs. 10 – This first covenant ties humanity's fate with all living things

## **God Put a Rainbow in the Clouds**

vs. 15 – does God need reminders of this promise?

God's covenant with Noah reminds us that God will never abandon us

Questions for Reflection: If Noah could have asked God one question when he stepped off the ark, what do you think it would have been? What question would you ask?

Questions for Discussion: The later covenants are only between God and humans. Why do you think God made this first covenant with humans and all living things?

Memory Verse: **Genesis 9:13** – “I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.”

Readings for this Week: Genesis 10-11, Hebrews 13:1-6

JUNE 22-26, 2026



Registration Opens April 6!

VBS



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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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 lifeguards.

*In our greater world:*

We pray for peace.

*Our sympathy & Prayers:*

We lift up Ann Thudium & family on the death  
of her husband, Dick Thudium on 5/5.

*From our Congregation:*

Bob Ahonen  
Joanne Ames  
Debbie Amundsen  
Rick Amundsen  
Dorothy Bates  
Janet Blank  
Suzanne Callahan  
Marge Crabtree  
Gabe & Rima Elissa  
John Gullion  
Kim Haftl  
Donald Hardman  
Kathleen Hess  
Tom Jackson

Judy Jesson  
Jenny Laconi  
Kathy McFarland  
Vince Meeker  
Raquel Mehalik  
Robbie Robinson  
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Kathi Sawyer  
Michael Taucher  
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