

# Communion World Communion Sunday

## [Shadowed Beneath Thy Hand] Stoney the Road We Trod

**Focus:** "From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded." – Exodus 17:1

**Thoughts:** "For the most part, the people are sustained along the way by food and water found at each point. But in cases like Rephidim, sustaining water comes not from where they are but from where they are headed *for*." –J. Gerald Janzen, *Exodus*

### October 1, 2023 Bulletin Announcements

#### October Mission Project

We will be collecting donations to help supply laundry soap for the **Senior Santa Project**. Our goal is \$250 so that we can provide over 200 small bottles of laundry soap. Please place donations in the red decorated box outside of Gibbs Parlor.

There is a sign-up sheet outside the office for those willing to help with the pancake breakfast on **Saturday, October 7**.

**\*\*\* Please return your membership audit papers. If you did not receive them, please contact the office.**

Your offerings can be:

- Dropped off at the church - When the office is open, during worship, or After hours - use the mail slot by the side glass door
- mailed to the church
- sent to the church through your bank - sent to the church using PayPal or Tithely (see the church website for links). <https://www.westfieldnyumc.org/donate/>

**We appreciate your faithful giving**

August income.....	\$11,640.00	(includes 3500 from investments)
Expenses.....	\$12098.95	(Payroll \$7,254.92)
Difference.....	\$ (458.95)	

Shared Ministries (\$1,411 per month) –  
amount due thru 8/31: \$11,288 Amount paid (7/31): \$345.00 (from donations)  
If you have any questions, please contact Pauline Emilson - Treasurer

**Many thanks to everyone that has dropped off stamps.  
We will no longer be collecting them.**

***Oops – we printed the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter giving statements a little early (only going through August 2023). Please pick up your statement. Any not picked up by October 15<sup>th</sup> will be mailed. If you would like to have a 3<sup>rd</sup> uarter statement (and not wait for your full year statement, please contact the office or Pauline Emilson.***

**Looking for individuals to help sand and spray paint our metal railings.  
Contact the office for more information.**

**Revised Common Lectionary (RCL) for October 1, 2023**

Exodus 17:1-7    Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16  
Philippians 2:1-13    Matthew 21:23-32

***Did you know? We made almost \$50 on our ink recycling program!***

**Reader's Schedule (Contact Gail for more information)**

Oct 1 – Gail; Oct 8 - Pauline;  
Oct 15 – Carmen; Oct 22 – Jessica, Oct 29 – Kathy A

**Coffee Hours Schedule (Contact Gail for more information)**

October 1 – Rita, Sue & Laurie; Nov 5 – Larry & Sandy; Dec 3 – open.

Looking for individuals that would like to serve as **Communion Stewards**. Please see Gail for more information October 1 – Dave & Betty Syper; November 5 – Open; December 3 - Open

## **Pancake Breakfast**

# **7:30-10:30 am**

**Fellowship Hall—First United  
Methodist Church of Westfield**

**101 E Main St.**

Pancakes, Sausage, Sausage gravy & Biscuits,  
Coffee, Juice

**Cost: Donations are gratefully accepted**

## **Saturday**

**October 7**

(Stacy Holland Family—basket drawing)

**November 4** (Blue Bag Fund to provide  
personal hygiene items to Food Pantry clients)

**December 2**

(Apple Seed)

**\*Program benefitting from your donations**

**Questions? See Larry Porter**

**Mission Statement:** Christ and to make Christ known

**Vision Statement:** We are the voice and the hand that encourages people to change their lives with hope, comfort and peace

**WAYS TO REACH US**

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**Weekly**

Food Pantry – Tuesday 1 – 2:30

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday – 9 – 11:20 AppleSeed

Wednesday: 11:30 -12:30 – Ann Cochran’s group

Sunday – Worship 10 AM

Sundays - Sept 10 – October 15: Book Study – Moses 7pm

**Looking ahead:**

October 1 – World Communion Offering

Sat, October 7 7:30-10:30 – Breakfast & Silent Auction (Benefits Stacy Holland family)

October 11 – Respite

October 17 – UMW 10 am

November 4 – Pancake Breakfast (Blue Bag Fund)

November 5 – Heritage Sunday

November 8 – Respite

Saturday, November 11, 2023 – Charge Conference 1-3pm at Westfield

November 17 – 19 – Christmas in the Village

