

PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER ...

Ernie & Nancy Bear, Richard & Linda Hicks, Helen Kamp, Betty Johnson, JR & Linda Melvin, those in our Military, our Curlew church family, the United Methodist Church, our country, and those still fighting the pandemic. Contact information for church family shut-ins can be obtained by calling the church office and are published monthly in the "Curlew Courier".

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Drafted by Thomas Jefferson between June 11 and June 28, 1776, the Declaration of Independence is the nation's most cherished symbol of liberty and Jefferson's most enduring monument. Here, in exalted and unforgettable phrases, Jefferson expressed the convictions in the minds and hearts of the American people.

IN CONGRESS, July 4, 1776.

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America,

When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness ...



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*Curlew United Methodist Church
July 4, 2021*

**6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
INDEPENDENCE DAY
WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

All are welcome as we come together to worship in the House of the Lord.

Organ Selections

Announcements

Birthdays: 7/06 Liz Barth

* Greeting and Sharing the Peace

* Congregation "Come to the Table" TFWS 2264

GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

Prelude Praise Band

* Call to Worship Liturgist

Leader: We gather this morning appreciating our freedom to worship God.

People: May God continue to bless His church.

Leader: We draw near to the God who rules over all nations.

People: May God continue to bless our country and all countries around the world.

Leader: We seek to live in harmony and peace together with all peoples on the earth.

All: May God continue to establish peace on earth and help us understand that it begins in our hearts. Come, let us worship the Lord!

* Hymn of Celebration "America" UMH 697 (vs. 1,2,4)

* Affirmation of Faith *A Modern Affirmation* UMH 885

* The Gloria Patri UMH 70

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Rachel Hughes

Tithes and Offerings

*The Doxology

UMH 95

Special Music

"America the Beautiful"

Praise Band

Scripture

Acts 4:24-31

The Message

Pastor Rachel Hughes

What God Can Do for America

COMMUNION

Holy Communion in the United Methodist Church is open to all people.

WE GO FORTH TO WITNESS

* Hymn of Adoration "The Lord's Prayer"

* Benediction

Pastor Rachel Hughes

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Pastor

Rev. Rachel Hughes

Director of Music Ministries

Ben Winkler

*** Stand as you are able**

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*The altar flowers today are given by Linda Floyd
in celebration of Bob's birthday on July 12th!*

All men of the church are invited to attend the **Men's Breakfast** this Saturday, July 10. They will meet at Tiffany's Restaurant, 35000 US Hwy. 19N, Palm Harbor, at 9:00 am.

There are **hand-held prayer crosses** and **New Testaments** on a table in the Narthex. If you or someone you know would be blessed by either of these items, please feel free to take as many as you need.