

**THE COMMUNICATOR**  
**September 01, 2024**

**THE GOSPEL  
ACCORDING TO**

**Willy  
Wonka**



**Sunday, September 01, 2024**

**9:00 a.m. Traditional Experience**

**Holy Communion Sunday –Online viewers have communion elements available.**

**Prelude – “Give Me Jesus” - Dr. Kim  
Acolyte: Fynlee Griffin**

**Welcome**

***A Mighty Fortress Is Our God - UMH 110 vs. 1-2***

**Greeting**

**Opening Prayer – Dave Stevens**

**Special Music – “By Grace”**

**Luke 4:16-30 – Dave Stevens**

**Sermon - “Resilience” By Pastor Marie Smith**

**Pastoral Prayer/Lord’s Prayer**

**Holy Communion**

**Offering/Offertory – ‘Tis a Gift to Be Simple - Dr. Kim**

***Just a Closer Walk with Thee – FWS 2158***

**Benediction**

**Postlude – “Every Time I Feel the Spirit” - Dr. Kim**

## Gospel According to Willy Wonka “Resilience”

Rev Marie Smith

September 1, 2024

“Every good thing in this world started with a dream. So hold onto yours” -Willy Wonka’s mother  
Willy Wonka had to overcome so much.

As we look at Willy Wonka, this origin or beginning story, we find lots of connections to our faith.

*Luke 4: 16 “Jesus went to Nazareth, where he had been raised. On the Sabbath he went to the synagogue as he normally did and stood up to read.”*

He was oppressed and faced ridicule and questions at every turn.

His willingness to keep at his dream regardless of what others said or did, it was risky business.

*Luke 4: 29-30 “That set everyone in the meeting place seething with anger. They threw him out, banishing him from the village, then took him to a mountain cliff at the edge of the village to throw him to his doom, but he gave them the slip and was on his way.”* Msg

Resilience is choosing courage, even in the face of oppression, ridicule, failure and risk

### Action Steps:

1. Are you allowing the oppressors and negativity influence your God size dream?
2. We grow during times of difficulty. Can you see the joy in the midst of struggle?
3. Join us next week as we look at the greed in Willy Wonka.

**Sunday, September 01, 2024**

**10:30 a.m. – The Point**

**Contemporary Experience**

**Welcome**

***See A Victory, Cornerstone, Come Alive(Dry Bones)***

**Announcements**

**Offering & Song**

**Luke 4: 16-30**

**Sermon - “Resilience” Pastor Marie Smith**

**Holy Communion**

**Lighting of Candles**

***At The Cross (Love Ran Red)***

**Sending Out**

Altar flowers are in memory of Roliff and Etha Mae Wolford from the Wolford Family.

For more information on programs offered at the church please contact:

- Worship Services – Office 740.474.4796
- Children's Sunday School & Nursery – 740.474.4796
- Sermon Chat – Linda Kennedy – 740-248-3357
- Dimensions for Living Class – John Wysong – 740-601-3673
- The Explorers – Mark Denniston 740.474.4796
- Community Life – Mark Denniston 740.474.4796
- Monday Evening Ladies Bible Study – 740.474.4796

Other programs:

Community Care Ministry – 740.474.4796

The Corner Closet – 740.474.4796

Bell Choir – Alice Chester – 740.474.4796

Church Choir – Alice Chester – 740.474.4796

Saturday Morning Men's Group – Larry Harris – 740.601.7769

Girl Scouts – Office 740.474.4796

Scouts – Robert Fanska-850.529.6724 or Joe McNemar-614.580.8074

Narcotics Anonymous – 740.474.4796

Quilters Group – Pam Patrick 740.412.7642

Joy Group – Linda Kennedy 740.248.3357

Christian Counseling – Dr. Nina Helene 614.906.6609

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### Prayer List for Aug. 29, 2024

Barb Bigam

Joy Brooks

Diane & Tom Cooke

Mary Ann Janes

Doug Sweazy

Mary Harrison-Reed

Scarlett Hedrick

Dannie Fouts

Larry Harris

Doug Arledge

Brian Barthelmas

Luke Lewis & Family

Annie Click

Wendy & Michael Crow, Diane, Joe

C.F. Carlson

Bucher Family – Passing of Don Bucher

Carrie Purk

Mike Logan

Mary Coster

E and Baby, Ali

Joey Lovensheimer

Jason, Emma, Cody, Noella, Men's Shelter

**Don't forget to bring your food donation this Sunday for the Community Cupboards. Please return any extra bags you might have at home. Thanks so much.**



Are you interested in being part of a new small group study for women? Several women from the Point service are starting a group. If you are interested in joining this new support, fellowship, and study group please call the office 740-474-4796 or email [office@circlevillecumc.org](mailto:office@circlevillecumc.org)

Youth Ministry- We will begin Youth ministry this Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup>. from 6-8pm.

Joy Group is back from summer break. This women's Bible study group will have their first meeting starting Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:45 pm. in the Media Center. Bring a brown bag lunch and enjoy fellowship and fun conversation as the group starts their new fall series. All are welcome.

**\*\*\*Walk to End Alzheimer's is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 7 at MVCH Park.\*\*\***

### **The Epic of Eden Video Study**

Does your knowledge of the Old Testament feel like a grab bag of people, books, events and ideas? Do you want to understand how God's covenants with Noah, Abraham, Moses, and David set the stage for his ultimate covenant with us through Jesus? In **The Epic of Eden Video Study**, Dr. Sandra Richter clearly and powerfully communicates a history of God's redeeming grace, weaving together a story that runs from the Eden of the Garden to the garden of the New Jerusalem.

Join us starting **Monday, September 9, at 7:00pm** in the Media Center for this twelve-week study. Sessions will begin with a half-hour video presentation, followed by guided discussion. We look forward to seeing you!