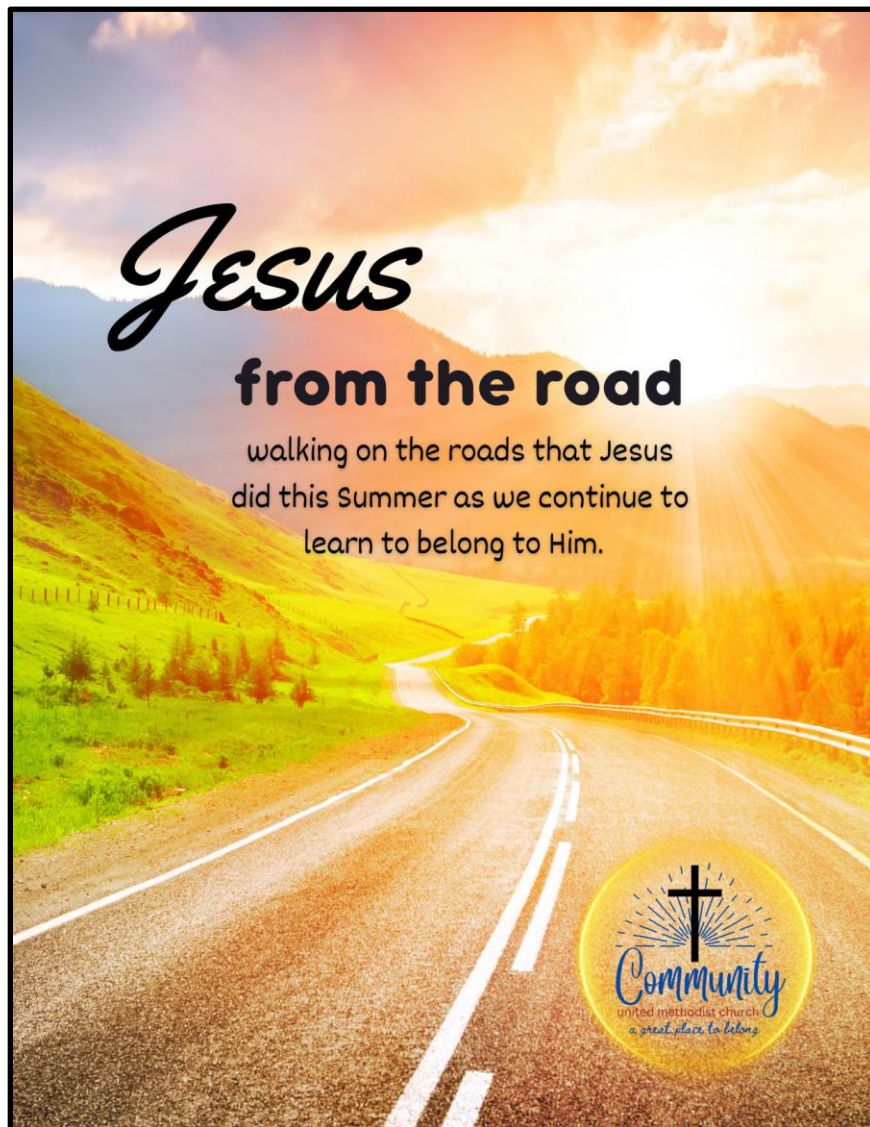


# THE COMMUNICATOR

## June 14, 2026



**Sunday, June 14, 2026  
9:00 am Service**

**Prelude – Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven – Dr. Holcomb  
Acolytes: Chyler & Irelynd Welch**

**Welcome/Announcements**

***Blessed Assurance – UMH 369 vs. all***

**Greeting – Alice Chester**

**“Seek Ye First” – Victory Ringers**

**Opening Prayer – Dave Stevens  
Matthew 4: 12-13; 21-24**

***Close to Thee – UMH 407 vs. 1,3***

**Children’s Message – Teratia Welch**

**“God is So Good” – Victory Ringers**

**Luke 4: 18-24 – Dave Stevens**

**“Can’t Go Home” – Rev. Marie Smith  
Pastoral Prayer & Lord’s Prayer**

***Open Our Eyes – FWS 2086***

**Offering**

**Offertory: As the Deer – Dr. Holcomb**

***Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow – UMH 95***

***Victory in Jesus – UMH 370 vs. all***

**Benediction**

**Postlude – Dry Bones - Dr. Holcomb**

**Jesus From the Road: Hometowns**  
**Rev. Marie Smith** **June 14, 2026**

Please use these sermon notes as a jumping off point for your own spiritual journey. We know everyone is on their own pathway. We hope you will find this useful. Please see Pastor Marie if you have questions or if you want to take the next step in your faith journey.

**Matthew 4: 12-13; 21-24**

Hometowns shape us into who we are; good or bad.

Our hometown may shape us, but God's vision for us is bigger than a location.

Jesus encountered people who supported him, those that encouraged him, and those who opposed him.

As followers of Jesus, we must find Jesus' voice and follow it.

Jesus stepped into his purpose despite what the people thought.

*Luke 4: 18-19 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."*

Jesus did not allow the whispers of a few to stop him. Do not allow the baggage of the past, to keep you from stepping into what Jesus has for you today.

Action Steps:

1. Can you appreciate your roots and where you came from?
2. What do you need to let go of?
3. Step into where Jesus is calling you next.

*Luke 1: 80 "The child [John the Baptist] grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness [desert] until the day he appeared publicly in Israel."*

**Sunday, June 14, 2026  
10:30 am Service**

**Welcome – Levi Graf**

***My LightHouse*  
*My God Is Still The Same*  
Change My Heart O God**

**Announcements**

**Offering**

**Matthew 4: 12-13; 21-24  
Luke 4: 18-24**

**“Can’t Go Home” – Rev. Marie Smith**

**Lighting of Candles**

***The Father’s House***

**Benediction**

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**Prayer & Praise List for June 11, 2026**

**Doug Sweazy  
Melissa Matz  
Larry Bond  
Jo Shappard  
Richie, Eric, Chase  
Robert, Debbie, Tom  
Julie, Mike, Samantha**

**Marcy Cortez  
Zach McHenry  
Carrie & Terri Purk  
Dave Purk  
Addie Lockard  
Brian Patrick  
Mikki Vinkovich  
Bill Hettinger  
Eileen Flannigan**

**Litter Family – Passing of Alice Litter  
Latella Family – Passing of Beth Latella  
Bush Family – Passing of Kyle Bush**



**Johnathan Billups graduated from Ohio State University with a Masters of Arts in Educational Administration (May 10<sup>th</sup>). He is the son of Steve & Betty Billups.**

**Johnathan graduated from Logan Elm High School and Anderson University and is currently teaching at New Albany Schools.**

**Johnathan is married to Rev. Rachel Billups and is a father of four.**



*Thank you so much for awarding me the \$1,000 scholarship. I am truly grateful for your generosity and support as I continue my education. Your investment in my future means a great deal to me. Lyla Yingling*

# June & July Happenings

## Youth Ministry

Graduation Sunday  
Celebration  
**June 7**..... 10am

Summer Slam Dates  
**June 4, 11, 18**..... 6-8pm  
Church Parking Lot

**July 2, 9, 16**..... 6-8pm  
Church Parking Lot

## Children's Ministry

**June 14-19**.....  
Camp Wesley

Pray for the all the kids  
and parents

## Outreach and Mission

**June 26**.....10-1  
Serve meal at Fair  
for Sr.

**June 25**..... 5-7pm.  
Farmer's Market

**July 23**..... 5-7pm  
Farmer's Market

## Community News

Pizza with the Pastor  
**June 28** 12:30  
Media Center

Summer  
worship series:  
On the Road  
with Jesus

Celebration of the  
Arts.... June 6th