

**Sunday, May 28, 2017** **10:30 am Worship**

(\* Please Stand as Able **Bold Print – All say in Unison**

**Edgerton UMC: Making Christ Known**  
**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Adam Hamilton – Why! Making Sense of God’s Will  
Prayer is not primarily about intercession.  
It is about a relationship with God.

**WELCOME** **Please Sign and Pass Welcome Pads**

On this Memorial Day Weekend let us pause and remember all those who have served and are serving our country.

**SPECIAL MUSIC** “What a Friend” SB #176

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Lord God, we live in a me-centered, fast-paced world. We tend to want results, and we want them on our timetable. We get frustrated and discouraged when our prayers are not answered – at least not in the way that we want. Remind us today that you are not a vending machine and that prayer is not a transaction. Help us to understand that prayer is about our relationship with you; it is the way we relate to you and grow closer to you. Teach us to value a different kind of result from prayer – an inner result that takes place in our spirits when we talk with you regularly. Amen

**SONGS** “O Mary, Don’t You Weep” SB #125  
“I Have Decided” SB #50

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD’S PRAYER**

**FIRST READING** Psalm 22:2-11

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** – Often we “pray” to you, telling you what we want and how we want you to fix our problems. We expect you to make things right, the way we think they should be. We forget that you are the creator of all things who gave to us charge of your world. Help us to

remember prayer is a conversation with you not a list of our wants. Open our eyes to see your world and open our ears to hear your word. Amen

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

When the apostle Paul prayed for God to remove a “thorn in his flesh,” God’s response was not healing but an assurance of the sufficiency of God’s grace. Paul came to see that every difficulty was an opportunity for God to work in perfecting his soul and in accomplishing good through him.

**SONGS** “Second Helping” SB #141  
“God Bless America” SB #6

**READING FROM MARK 1:35-39**

**MESSAGE** “Why Do My Prayers Go Unanswered?”  
Adam Hamilton

**RESPONSE TO THE MESSAGE**

Loving and compassionate God, we praise you for being our Father, our Protector, and our Provider. Although we do not understand why some prayers are answered and others are not, we know from Scripture and from the living testimony of Jesus that you are compassionate, loving, just, and good. We also know that you have promised to be with us always and to work in all things for our good. Help us to trust you and to yield our wills and our very lives to you, just as Jesus did. Teach us to spend more time in prayer focusing on our relationship with you and your Kingdom priorities. Remind us to pray often, and show us the power of prayer to shape our lives. Amen

**THE OFFERING**

*\*Calypso Doxology* **SB #3**

**SONG** “Benediction” **SB #5**

**SENDING**

**POSTLUDE** *God Bless America, Irving Berlin*

# Coffee Fellowship

*Please join us for a time of fellowship in Fellowship Hall immediately after 9:00 AM Worship. Fellowship Hall is located below the Sanctuary: go down the front steps – pass the elevator – make a left – go down the steps - Fellowship Hall is on your left – under the sanctuary.*

## **Our Mission:**

“To Make Christ Known!”

Our church is to be a place where love is present,  
hurts are healed, joys and concerns are shared and supported  
by prayer.

Our Church serves our community and the world,  
by realizing and sharing the satisfying and abundant life  
Christ brings to *ALL* people - regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, national  
origin, culture, tradition,  
family configuration, economic status,  
sexual orientation or gender identity.

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday thru Thursday

2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

CLOSED MONDAY

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## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Why! Making Sense of God's Will*

*Why Do My Prayers Go Unanswered?*



*10:30 AM Worship Service*

*Edgerton United Methodist Church*

*112 Albion Street*

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