



First United Methodist Church

Welcome! We're glad that you are here.

To all who need comfort; all who need friendship;

all who are lonely and need companionship;

all who want sheltering love, all who sin

and need a Savior; and whosoever will

—we open wide our doors and say, "Come; let us worship together."

10:15am Sunday Worship April 7, 2024

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE Blaine Johnson

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP Molly Andersen

L: This is the good news which we proclaim to you.

P: Jesus Christ is raised from the dead!

L: Walk in the light of his love.

P: Live in the light of his teachings and healing mercies.

L: Come, let us worship the One who overcame death.

P: Let us celebrate the triumph of our Lord. Amen.

*SONG: "Forever" Worship DVD

OPENING PRAYER Molly Andersen

God of the resurrection, we gather this morning as a community of believers. We come with joy to greet one another and to tell again and again the amazing news: Christ is risen! Love is victorious over death! You have given us new life in the name of your Son! May our singing, praying, listening, and proclaiming be a testimony to the power of your love to make us a new creation as a community of faith. We pray in the name of the risen Christ. Amen.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED #881 Molly Andersen

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME Rev. Bonnie Davies

SCRIPTURE Acts 4:32-35 (CEB) Molly Andersen

*GOSPEL John 20:19-23 (CEB) Pastor Dave Yim

L: The Word of God for the people of God.

A: Thanks be to God!

HYMN #2226 "Bind Us Together" (X2)

MESSAGE "I am Sending You" Pastor Dave Yim

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS (Email the office)

PRAYER FOR PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING OURSELVES

*DOXOLOGY #95

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Generous God, as we gather to offer our tithes and offerings, we are reminded of the words of the apostle John about the Word of life. Just as your Word brings light into our lives, may our giving be an act of generosity, a reflection of the abundance of your grace and love. We thank you for the forgiveness and grace offered through your Son, Jesus Christ, and as we give, may we also steward these gifts wisely for the betterment of your kingdom. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN #593 "Here I Am, Lord"

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*GOING FORTH TO THE WORLD Vivian Eaton

In Our Prayers

Emilee Derrer, Rhonda Harlock Smith, Gi-Tae Yim, Sandy Froehlich, Barb McFadden, Glen White, Pastor Bill Landis, Shirley Hastings, Alice Riffe-Torrison (Ronda's mom), Dale Wurster, Owen Davies (Bonnie's son), Curtis Pilgrim (Kris Yingling's friend), Steve Runge (Ronda's friend), Connie Zink, Pastor Lee (Pastor Dave's friend), Don & Judy Greenfield, Sandy Pratt, Shirley Fritz, Lexi Tsoukalas (Molly's great niece), Debbie Bilik (Janet Morlock's friend), Tim Cavanagh, Louise Brouillard (Ronda's friend), Scarlett Huebner, Chrissy Sullivan, Miles Purchis (Max & Martha Purchis' grandson), John & Linda Jachino, Paul Mayer, Angie (Paula's friend), Roger Furrow, Kurtis (Susan Michelle's friend), Eli (Bob & Lavona's grandson), Paula Mayer, Young-Ho Yim (Bang-Wool's father), Tinslee, Chris Falk's father, Jeff (Backwater Gambler dad), Ed & Barb Jepsen, Mary (Belander) Klein, Howard Nichols, Jackie Walker, Bang-Wool Yim, the family of Sharon Atherton, our Confirmants (Jon, Aidan, Jiho, Asia, Caleb, and Lexi), and WC staff & students.

Our shut-ins: Sylvia Reuterfors, Dorothy Taylor, Erik & Alice Riffe-Torrison, Joy Turner, Steve Yenney, Brenda Hamm, Janice Wilt, Mary Ellen Dreger, Herb, Sandy & Ben Pratt, Florence Bevins-Powell, and Shirley Fritz.

Our country & government, Military Personnel & their families, the safety of Ukrainians & end of wars, Syria, Israel, the Gaza Strip, peace in the Middle East, and the victims of everyday violence and their families.

You can also find our online service on our church website.

We welcome all visitors to our worship time today.

We are glad you are here.

Open Hearts! Open Minds! Open Doors!

We are the people of the United Methodist Church.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

April 8 – Karen Hoffman
9 – Jeanine Mills
11 – Rosemary Hartman
12 – Deb Long
12 – Jiwon Yim
14 – Kathie Prins

CALENDAR

Monday, April 8
1 to 3 pm – Sewing Ladies
6:30 pm – Service Club mtg
Tuesday, April 9
Pastor out of office
5 pm – Finance/Growth mtg
6:30 pm – JOY Ministry mtg
Wednesday, April 10
10 am – Choir Practice
6 pm – Marital Counseling
Thursday, April 11
Church office open 8 am to 11 am
9 am – Bible Study
1:30 pm – Senior Service
7 pm – Zoom Prayer meeting
Sunday, April 14
8:45 am – Adult Sunday School
9:30 am – Kids/Youth Sunday School
10:15 am – Worship Service
4 to 6 pm – UWF Pork Chop Drive-thru Dinner

WORSHIP HELPERS

	April 14	April 21
Acolyte	Jiwon Yim	Pearl Michels
Liturgist	Susan Shellhorn	Linda Jachino
Counter	Vivian Eaton	Rhonda Law
Verifier	Linda Jachino	Kay Cavanagh

Last Week's Attendance: 28/91

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WC Food Pantry – is needing soup (tomato, chicken noodle, cream of mushroom/chicken), cereal, mac & cheese, Chef Boyardee ravioli/spaghettios, pasta sauce, ketchup, and crackers. Please!

Blessing Basket – We are in need of laundry soap, and paper towels. We always need paper products. Your support is greatly appreciated!

The Women's Group is asking you to bring clean and dry plastic bags. The group will make sleeping mats out of them for homeless people. You can drop them off in a box in the sewing room at church.

Weekly Zoom Prayer Meetings –will be every Thursday, @ 7 pm.

Pastor Dave will email you a link each week.

Rice Meal Packing – will be April 20th! Baskets will be out for raising funds. Sign up sheet is in the narthex.

Pictures for Church Directory – Please see Ronda to set up a time.

Coffee Hour – will resume this Sunday. This will be held Spring thru Fall only. Please see Linda Stubbe or Esther Losh to sign up.

Confirmation Class – will be April 21st at 3:30-5pm.

Finance/Growth – meeting Tuesday, April 9th @ 5 pm

JOY Ministry – meeting Tuesday, April 9th @ 6:30 pm

Church office - will be open 8 am to 11 am on Thurs. April 11th

JOY (Just Older Youth) Ministry Dinner – Wednesday, April 17th at 4:30 to 6:30 pm. Open to those 60 and older.

Grief Share - online group will begin on April 29! It will be every Monday from 7:30pm-9pm(ish) through July 22. People can register online at: <https://www.griefshare.org/> then click find a group and type in Savanna's zip code! This is open to anyone who needs it!

Jackie Walker – has moved with her daughter for more rehab. Her address is: Jackie Walker, 14561 Twin Oaks St., Holland, MI 49424. Send her a card to say “Hi”.

Please make sure the doors are closed & locked – when you come to the building after hours!

Nursery Room Usage – per NIC Safe Sanctuary policies, no child/children are to be in there without a parent or certified adult (18 or older) present. Please clean up when finished.

New Sewing Ministry – We invite all sewers to get involved in our sewing ministry buy getting a kit in the sewing room. Several are available. (Pattern & material) Check out this ministry in the sewing room after church or ask any member of United Women in Faith. This gives those who cannot come Monday afternoons to sew a chance to be part of this important ministry by sewing at home at your convenience. Check this out!!!



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April 7th, 2024

Vision Statement

“Our faith calls us to action in the
body of Christ and in the local
community to love God and to
love others”

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