

## First United Methodist Church

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### September 29, 2024 — October 5, 2024

*"19th Sunday After Pentecost"*

Usher/Greeter: Rita Salter Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin  
Liturgist: Gordie Barry Children's Worship: Natalie G./Needed  
Altar Flowers: Vic & Sharon Vanderville Fellowship: Needed  
Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child

Sunday (9/29) Pie Auction after Fellowship 12:30 PM  
Monday (9/30) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM  
Tuesday (10/1) UWif 1 PM  
Wednesday (10/2) Simplified Accountability Structure-Online class 10-11:30 AM  
Thursday (10/3)  
Friday (10/4)

### October 6, 2024 — October 12, 2024

*"20th Sunday After Pentecost"*

Usher/Greeter: Bob & Mary Whinnen Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin  
Liturgist: Jim Gaffney Children's Worship: Natalie G./Needed  
Altar Flowers: Kerry Billings Fellowship: Needed  
Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: Thanksgiving Baskets

Monday (10/7) S/PPRC meeting 10 AM / Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM  
Tuesday (10/8) Worship Committee 10 AM / Trustees Committee 11 AM  
Wednesday (10/9) Pasty Prep 7:30 AM / Sales 10 AM-1 PM  
Thursday (10/10) Pasty Prep 7:30 AM / Sales 10 AM-1 PM  
Friday (10/11)  
Saturday (10/12) UWif District Conference in St. Ignace

#### Lectionary Calendar—Bible Study

9/29/24 Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22; Ps 124; James 5:13-20; Mark 9:38-50

10/6/24 Job 1:1; 2:1-10; Ps 26 or 25 (UMH 756); Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16



Let us please keep the following people in our prayers: Carol Weinert, Don Carlson, Penny Tracy, Fran Baker, Barb & Jude Collins, Sandi Kolder, Family of Pat Foldenauer, Martha Weeks, Doug Weeks, Barbara Schneider, Phyllis Burge, Curt & Celie Norton, Ted Burson, Mary Prater, Joel Prater, Lynn LaRose, Katie Putnam, Sharon V. & Celie N.'s brother, Kerry Billings family concerns, Brooklyn, Michael Haynes, Connie Meade, Jo Nell Rubick, Connie Whitsitt, plus the unspoken needs.

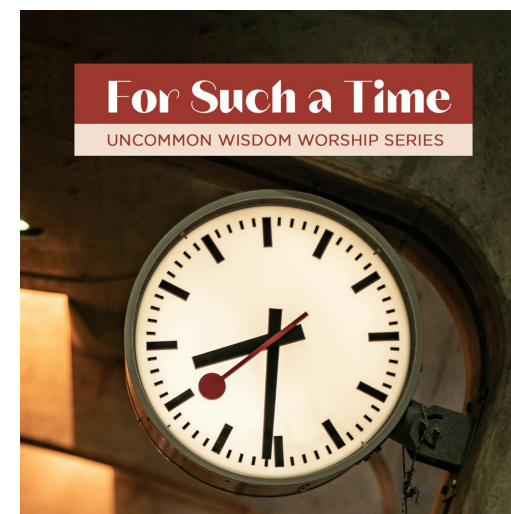


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**“19th Sunday After Pentecost”**



WORSHIP 11AM

PRELUDE: Sursum Corda by F.C. Erhardt

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER—INVOCATION

PSALM 124

**\*PRAISE CHORUS:** UMH 139 (v. 1) Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:**

L: His disciples told Jesus that they had seen someone who was not among His followers cast out demons in Jesus’ name. They had told him to stop because he was not one of Jesus’ followers. Jesus told them not to stop him, for whoever is not against Him is for Him. Is this always true?

**P: Couldn’t people be neutral, neither for nor against something or somebody?**

L: If something bad is happening in a situation and you join in doing the bad thing, you deserve the punishment which may result, for you have sinned through your actions. If you do good in that situation, are you not blessed because you were supportive of the good which was done? But if you claim that you are neutral, is that not actually doing bad? You could perhaps help resolve the problem, but if you make no effort to help, are you not also sinning by withholding your assistance?

**P: Remind us, O God, that doing nothing is actually doing something, for withholding your support is performing an action which may make matters worse. Give us the wisdom to know whether or not to intervene, and the courage to do so when this is the needed response.**

**\*OPENING HYMN:** UMH 160 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

**\*APOSTLES’ CREED:** UMH 881

**\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

CHILDREN’S TIME & NOISY OFFERING

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION:** UMH 395

Take Time to Be Holy

**\*SCRIPTURE READING**

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

SERMON

For Such a Time

PRAYER TIME Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

PRAYER HYMN: FWS 2193 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY: I Need Thee Every Hour by R. Lowry

**\*DOXOLOGY:** UMH 95 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

FAVORITE HYMN: (slides) Will There Be Any Stars? selected by Carol Weinert

**\*CLOSING HYMN:** UMH 591 Rescue the Perishing

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*PARTING HYMN:** FWS 2186 Song of Hope

POSTLUDE: Our Hymn of Grateful Praise by J.M. Rasley

**The Altar Rail is always open to all.**

**September Mission Noisy Offering—Samaritan’s Purse Operation Christmas Child**

This noisy offering provides Christmas shoeboxes to needy children throughout the world!

God is working through us. Thank you for your support!

**\* DENOTES CONGREGATION STANDING (AS ABLE)**

**\* PLEASE BE SURE TO SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES DURING THE WORSHIP SERVICE**