

## First United Methodist Church

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### October 13, 2024 — October 19, 2024

*"21st Sunday After Pentecost"*

Usher/Greeter: Carol Hollenbeck

Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin

Liturgist: Connie Kelsey

Children's Worship: Natalie G./Needed

Altar Flowers: John & Carol Livingston

Fellowship: Ted & Louise Burson

Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: Thanksgiving Baskets

**Pastor B.J. will be out of the office through Oct. 19. In case of emergency contact Janet or Connie**

Monday (10/14) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM

Tuesday (10/15)

Wednesday (10/16)

Thursday (10/17)

Friday (10/18)

### October 20, 2024 — October 26, 2024

*22nd Sunday After Pentecost" "Laity Sunday"*

Usher/Greeter: Ellen Derber

Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin

Liturgist: Janet Helmbold

Children's Worship: Natalie G./Needed

Altar Flowers: Rita Salter

Fellowship: Ruth Annelin

Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: Thanksgiving Baskets

Sunday (10/20) Ecumenical Progressive Dinner—starts at 4 PM

Monday (10/21) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM

Tuesday (10/22)

Wednesday (10/23)

Thursday (10/24) Special Ad Council Meeting 10 AM

Friday (10/25)

#### Lectionary Calendar—Bible Study

10/13/24 Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Ps 22:1-15 (UMH 752); Heb 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31

10/20/24 Job 38:1-7 (34-41); Ps 104:1-9, 24,35c (UMH 826); Heb 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45



Let us please keep the following people in our prayers: Carol Weinert, Don Carlson, Penny Tracy & family concerns, 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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190 North Cedar St., Manistique, MI 49854

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## October 13, 2024

### “21st Sunday After Pentecost”



WORSHIP 11AM

PRELUDE: Andante Tranquillo by W.H. Maxfield

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER—INVOCATION

PSALM 22:1-15

\*PRAISE CHORUS: UMH 473 Lead Me, Lord

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: How hard it is to lose a loved one, or suffer tragedies and terrible calamities. We may often wonder why God does not prevent such terrible events.

**P: We see young people die painful deaths from cancer and various illnesses. We witness children suffer the loss of a beloved grandparent or a parent. We do not understand. Where is a loving God at times like this?**

L: Read Job or the Psalms. People for countless generations have suffered tragedies, pain, and loss. These things have gone on for generations. Yet, should we follow the advice of Job’s wife, who counseled her husband to “curse God and die”? Surely this is not the solution! God is always there, and He always know about our situations. He will see us through, every time, if we seek Him and ask Him to help.

**P: Even Jesus, on the cross, felt the loss of a connection to God. Why else would he call out asking why God had forsaken Him?**

L: Jesus needed to experience all that humans experience in order to fully understand our condition, even to the separation from God. For Jesus the separation was temporary. For us it can also be temporary. Do we seek God in times of trouble? Or are we so lost in our own misery that we will not approach Him? Draw near to Him! He **always** cares!

**P: O Lord, when we are lost and wallowing in our misery and misfortunes, do not forget us! Draw us near to You when we cannot feel Your presence and need You the most. Forgive our human weaknesses and flimsy faith, and keep us from giving up!**

\*OPENING HYMN: UMH 103 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

\*APOSTLES’ CREED: UMH 881

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN’S TIME

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION: UMH 452 My Faith Looks Up to Thee

\*SCRIPTURE READING Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Hebrews 4:12-16

SERMON: Certified Lay Servant Janet Helmbold My God, My God! Why have You forsaken me?

PRAYER TIME Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

PRAYER HYMN: Hear Our Prayer, O Lord,  
Hear Our Prayer, O Lord,  
Incline Thine ear to us,  
And grant us Thy peace. (2x)  
Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY: Come Holy Spirit by W.J. Gaither

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

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER

FAVORITE HYMN Congregation’s Choice

\*CLOSING HYMN: FWS 2130 The Summons

\*BENEDICTION

\*PARTING HYMN: (front cover of hymnal) Go Now In Peace

POSTLUDE: Sing, O Heavens by A.A. Braynard

**October Mission Noisy Offering—Thanksgiving Boxes**  
This noisy offering provides Thanksgiving boxes to low income families in our community!  
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