

First United Methodist Church

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March 23, 2025 — March 29, 2025

“3rd Sunday in Lent”

Usher/Greeter: Needed Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin
Liturgist: Lisa Jones Children’s Worship: Natalie G./Needed
Altar Flowers: Rita Salter Fellowship: Carolyn Williams
Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: UMCOR Emergency Relief

Monday (3/24) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM
Tuesday (3/25)
Wednesday (3/26) Lenten Soup & Devotion 5:30 PM
Thursday (3/27)
Friday (3/28)
Saturday (3/29)

March 30, 2025 — April 5, 2025

“4th Sunday in Lent”

Usher/Greeter: Needed Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin
Liturgist: Connie Kelsey Children’s Worship: Natalie G./Needed
Altar Flowers: Needed Fellowship: Needed
Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: UMCOR Emergency Relief

Monday (3/31) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM
Tuesday (4/1) UWF 1 PM
Wednesday (4/2) Lenten Soup & Devotion 5:30 PM
Thursday (4/3)
Friday (4/4)
Saturday (4/5)

Lectionary Calendar—Bible Study

3/23/25 Isa 55:1-9; Ps 63:1-8 (UMH 788); Phil 3:17-4:1; Luke 13:31-35
3/30/25 Acts 10:34-43; Ps 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Cor 15:1-11; John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8

Let us please keep the following people in our prayers: Carol Weinert, Char Crosby, Penny Tracy, Jean Smith, Martha Weeks, Barbara Schneider, Phyllis Burge, Curt & Celie Norton, Ted Burson, Mary Prater, Lynn LaRose, Katie Putnam, Sharon V. & Celie N.’s brother, Kerry Billings family concerns, Michael Haynes, Connie Meade, Jo Nell Rubick, Joel Prater, Connie Whitsitt, Sandi Kolder, Betty Tracy, Jesse Baker, travel mercies, our snowbirds, and unspoken requests.



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190 North Cedar St., Manistique, MI 49854

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**“WE EXIST TO JOYFULLY SHARE GOD’S LOVE,
PREACH THE GOOD NEWS AND MAKE DISCIPLES.”**



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March 23, 2025
“3rd Sunday in Lent”



WORSHIP 11AM

PRELUDE: Adoration by Irving Bartley

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER—INVOCATION

PSALM 63:1-8

*PRAISE CHORUS: FWS 2066 Praise the Name of Jesus

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: The God who created us did so for a purpose.

P: For what purpose? Sometimes it’s hard for us to know what He was thinking when He created humans, who seem to cause a lot of trouble in the world.

L: Some say we were created to complete God’s work of forming the universe. Some say we were created to provide companionship for God in a fashion which the other animals could not. Whatever His reason, God created us, and has a plan for us.

P: What plan? What are we to do?

L: We are here to work, play, rejoice, love each other, and abide in the astonishing world which He provided for us and for all His creatures. He planned all this so we could fellowship together with Him and with each other. Instead, we did not obey Him. We brought sin into the world. We do not get along with each other, but instead quarrel, hate, demean each other, and in every way cause harm, pain, and despair.

P: Forgive us, Lord, for we are not what You want us to be. Reshape us so that we become what You intended us to be and live as You would have us live!

*OPENING HYMN: UMH 121 There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy

*APOSTLES’ CREED: UMH 881

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN’S TIME

*HYMN OF PREPARATION: UMH 127 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*GOSPEL READING Luke 13:1-9

SERMON: Truth, Change, and Commitment

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: O Jesus I Have Promised by Arthur Mann

*DOXOLOGY: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

FAVORITE HYMN (from the red Hymnal) Congregation’s Choice

*CLOSING HYMN: UMH 381 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

*BENEDICTION

*PARTING HYMN: FWS 2186 Song of Hope

POSTLUDE: Festival March by James Moffatt

The Altar Rail is always open to all.

March Mission Noisy Offering—UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief)

This noisy offering is used to provide emergency relief to those affected by disasters.
 God is working through us. Thank you for your support!

There is a retro loveseat available, FREE, if you are interested!

* DENOTES CONGREGATION STANDING (AS ABLE)

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