

First United Methodist Church

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November 14, 2021 — November 20, 2021

"Twenty Fifth Sunday after Pentecost"

Usher / Greeter: Rita Salter

Organist: Mary Prater

Liturgist: James Gaffney

Altar Flowers: Lynn LaRose

Fellowship: Lynn L/Rita S

Monday (11/15) Bible Study 11:30 AM / Prayer Group 12:30 PM

Tuesday (11/16)

Wednesday (11/17)

Thursday (11/18)

Friday (11/19)

November 21, 2021 — November 27, 2021

"Twenty Sixth Sunday after Pentecost"

Usher / Greeter: Needed

Organist: Mary Prater

Liturgist: Janet Helmbold

Altar Flowers: Ruth Annelin

Fellowship: Needed

Monday (11/22) Bible Study 11:30 AM / Prayer Group 12:30 PM

Tuesday (11/23)

Wednesday (11/24)

Thursday (11/25) Thanksgiving (office closed)

Friday (11/26)

Let us please keep the following people in our prayers: Hank Weinert, Jodi Louwsma, Martha Weeks, Joel Prater, Ted Burson, Penny Tracy, Connie Whitsitt, Larry Billings, Jason Coryell, Kali Lewis, and the Janice Chittle family.



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CHURCH**

190 North Cedar Manistique, MI 49854

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WORSHIP 11AM

PRELUDE Love Divine/The Voice of God is Calling

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER—INVOCATION

EPISTLE: Hebrews 10: 11-14; 15-18; 19-25

***PRAISE CHORUS:** UMH 496 Sweet Hour of Prayer

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: When we move from one place to another, we often find that we must purchase new curtains, or new rugs, or even new furniture, to fit in the new place. Why, then, do we not find new ways of doing things when we move from one circumstance in life to another?

P: We are creatures of habit. We are comfortable with what we have always done, and we love our traditions.

L: When a tradition is serviceable and useful, by all means cling to it. However, when a tradition has lost its purpose or is no longer relevant, why do we resist changing it?

P: We like the familiar, for it gives us feelings of continuity and stability. Change can be frightening and uncomfortable. Why should we change just for the sake of change?

L: We need not change simply for the sake of change. It is good to know our histories, for that is how we come to know ourselves. However, sometimes we need to change because what worked in the past no longer works. Nobody would wear the same size shoes for their entire life because the shoes would no longer fit. Why do we think that the same worship style we used as a child is the best fit for us as adults?

P: Lord, teach us to retain the meat of Your unending message, but to replace the old and worn-out traditions which have become meaningless through overuse and have led to complacency and rote routines, rather than to meaningful communion with You.

***OPENING HYMN:** UMH 292 What Wondrous Love is This

***APOSTLE’S CREED:** UMH 881

Sharing the Peace of Christ

CHILDREN’S TIME

***HYMN OF PREPARATION:** UMH 529

How Firm a Foundation

***GOSPEL READING:**

Mark 2: 21-22

SERMON

But We’ve ALWAYS Done It that Way Before!
 (or, But We’ve NEVER Done it that Way Before!)

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.

PASTORAL PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

OFFERTORY:

The Gift of Love

***DOXOLOGY:** UMH 95

OFFERTORY PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC

Hand Bell Choir

***CLOSING HYMN:** UMH 361

Rock of Ages

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE:**

Near to the Heart of God

* DENOTES CONGREGATION STANDING (AS ABLE)

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