

First United Methodist Church

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March 19, 2023 — March 25, 2023

"4th Sunday in Lent" "UMCOR Sunday"

Usher / Greeter: Carol Hollenbeck

Organist: Cynthia Burgin

Liturgist: Janet Helmbold

Children's Worship: Natalie G./Sharon F.

Altar Flowers: Mary & Bob Whinnen

Fellowship: Connie Kelsey

Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: UMCOR Relief

Monday (3/20) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM

Tuesday (3/21) Education 9:30 AM

Wednesday (3/22) Lenten Soup/Devotion 5:30 PM

Thursday (3/23)

Friday (3/24)

Saturday (3/25)

March 26, 2023 — April 1, 2023

"5th Sunday in Lent"

Usher / Greeter: Gayle & Bill Tufnell

Organist: Cynthia Burgin

Liturgist: Bette Jahn

Children's Worship: Natalie G./Louise B.

Altar Flowers: Mary & Bob Whinnen

Fellowship: Needed

Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: UMCOR Relief

Monday (3/27) Vitality 11 AM / Bible Study & Prayer Group cancelled for 2 weeks

Tuesday (3/28) Pastor B.J. will be out of the office

Wednesday (3/29) Lenten Soup/Devotion 5:30 PM; Pastor B.J. will be out of the office

Thursday (3/30) Pastor B.J. will be out of the office

Friday (3/31) Pastor B.J. will be out of the office

Saturday (4/1)

Bible Study — Lectionary Calendar

3/19/23 1 Sam 16:1-13; Ps 23; Eph 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

3/26/23 Ezek 37:1-14; Ps 130; Rom 8:6-11; John 11:1-45



Let us please keep the following people in our prayers: Dan Crosby, Karen Klaus, Connie Meade, Katie Putnam, Mary Prater, Michael Haynes, Mary and Bob Whinnen, Phyllis Burge, Jo Nell Rubick, Martha Weeks, Joel Prater, Ted Burson, Penny Tracy, Kerry Billings family health concerns, Kali Lewis, Connie Whitsitt, Connie Kelsey and family, cancer victims, and for this world.



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

190 North Cedar Manistique, MI 49854

Pastor B.J. Ash

March 19, 2023

— FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT —

In the Presence

LEARNING TO LIVE INSIDE OUT WORSHIP SERIES



*"WE EXIST TO JOYFULLY SHARE GOD'S LOVE, PREACH THE
GOOD NEWS AND MAKE DISCIPLES."*



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March 19, 2023
“4th Sunday in Lent” “UMCOR Sunday”



WORSHIP 11AM

PRELUDE Crown Him With Many Crowns by D. Hegarty

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER—INVOCATION

PSALM 23

***PRAISE CHORUS:** UMH 349 Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see...”

P: Praise God, who sent Jesus to the world so that people may see.

L: Jesus also added, “...and those who do see may become blind.”

P: We do not understand. Why would Jesus come to cause people who can see to become blind?

L: Jesus did not come to cause seeing people to become blind. He was telling the Pharisees that since they claimed to see yet refused to acknowledge the truth of what they could see for themselves because it did not agree with their own interpretation of God’s laws, they would indeed become blind to the truth by their own choice. Thus they would be responsible for their own spiritual blindness. Can we see, or do we also choose to be blind to the evidence of God’s working in our lives?

P: O Lord, open our eyes that we may truly see all the works You do for us. Remove the blindness from our hearts and our spirits as You removed the blindness from the man physically blind from birth, so that we may proclaim as he did, “I was blind, but now I see!”

***OPENING HYMN:** UMH 152 I Sing the Almighty Power of God

***APOSTLE’S CREED:** UMH 881

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

***HYMN OF PREPARATION:** UMH 454

Open My Eyes That I May See

***GOSPEL READING**

John 9:1-41

SERMON

In the Presence

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 Precious Lord, Take My Hand by T. Dorsey

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

OFFERTORY PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC Don Carlson

***CLOSING HYMN:** FWS 2237 As a Fire Is Meant for Burning

***BENEDICTION**

***PARTING HYMN:** UMH FRONT COVER Go Now In Peace

POSTLUDE: Recessional in D by J. Mansfield

* DENOTES CONGREGATION STANDING (AS ABLE)

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