

First United Methodist Church

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May 7, 2023 — May 13, 2023

"5th Sunday of Easter"

Usher / Greeter: Carol Hollenbeck

Organist: Cynthia Burgin

Liturgist: James Gaffney

Children's Worship: Natalie G./Connie K.

Altar Flowers: Needed

Fellowship: Carol Livingston

Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: Red Bird Mission/Henderson Settlement

Monday (5/8) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM

Tuesday (5/9) Ad Council 10 AM

Wednesday (5/10) Pasty Prep 7:30 AM / Sales 10 AM-1 PM

Thursday (5/11) Pasty Prep 7:30 AM / Sales 10 AM-1 PM

Friday (5/12) Education 9:30 AM / Worship 11 AM

Saturday (5/13)

May 14, 2023 — May 20, 2023

"6th Sunday of Easter" "Heritage Sunday" "Mother's Day"

Usher / Greeter: Connie & Dan Kelsey

Organist: Cynthia Burgin

Liturgist: Ralph Livingston

Children's Worship: Natalie G./Mary W.

Altar Flowers: Bette Jahn

Fellowship: Mary Whinnen/Bette Jahn

Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: Red Bird Mission/Henderson Settlement

Monday (5/15) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM

Tuesday (5/16) Vitality 1 PM

Wednesday (5/17)

Thursday (5/18)

Friday (5/19) Photo Directory 2 PM—8:30 PM

Saturday (5/20) Photo Directory 10:30 AM—5 PM

Lectionary Calendar—Bible Study

5/7/23 Acts 7:55-60; Ps 31:1-5, 15-16; 1 Pet 2:2-10; John 14:1-14

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Let us please keep the following joys and concerns in our prayers: Lynn LaRose, Ken & Cyndi Burgin family, Linda Moon's friend's mom, Ruth Annelin family, Dan Crosby, Karen Klaus, Connie Meade, Katie Putnam, Mary Prater, Kathleen & Michael Haynes, Mary and Bob Whinnen, Phyllis Burge, Jo Nell Rubick, Martha Weeks, Joel Prater, Ted Burson, Penny Tracy family health concerns, Kerry Billings family health concerns, Kali Lewis, Connie Whitsitt.



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190 North Cedar Manistique, MI 49854

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Like Living Stones

A LIVING HOPE WORSHIP SERIES



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May 7, 2023

“5th Sunday of Easter”



WORSHIP 11AM

PRELUDE Blessed Be the Lord God by C. Nordman

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER—INVOCATION

PSALM 31:1-5, 15-16

***PRAISE CHORUS:** FWS 2066 Praise the Name of Jesus

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Jesus told His disciples that if they asked for anything in His name, they would receive it.

P: How can this be? Many times we ask for things and don’t receive them?

L: Jesus did not say they would get anything they asked for! He specified that they ask in His name. That implies that they would ask for things which would not go against His nature, such as things which would result in evil, or which are asked only to satisfy greed or a quest for power.

P: Even when we ask in His name and for things that are according to His will we do not get everything we seek!

L: Are you sure that what you ask for is in accordance with His will? Often we think that if something is what we want and it seems good, it is of course God’s will. Perhaps it is only our will and not in accordance with what He has planned for us.

P: O Lord, please give us what we seek if it is Your will. Remind us that You will not act to harm us, but will often give us what we need, and not what we think we want. Strengthen our trust in You so that we know we can depend on You always!

***OPENING HYMN:** UMH 545 The Church’s One Foundation

***APOSTLE’S CREED:** UMH 881

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN’S TIME

HYMN OF PREPARATION: UMH 337 Only Trust Him

***EPISTLE READING** 1 Peter 2:2-10

SERMON

Like Living Stones

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY Just a Closer Walk by S. Mansfield

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

OFFERTORY PRAYER

COMMUNION: SERVICE OF WORD & TABLE II Hymn Medley

LIVING STONES PRAYER

L: Merciful God and Creator of All, meet us today in the ordinary times and spaces of our lives.

P: Guide us as we remember that you made us and are with us in every moment of every day.

L: Jesus Christ, our Cornerstone, we seek you as the one who gives us new life as God’s people.

P: Hold our hands as we receive the love of God that saves us and transforms us into living stones.

L: Holy Spirit, Enlivener and Guide, breathe into our hearts and fan the flame of the divine spark that resides in us all.

P: Help us, your children, live as houses of worship that live out God’s purposes wherever we go.

L: Bless these rocks that they may be reminders of what it means to be your Easter people.

P: May these rocks stir us up to live as your royal priesthood, your living stones that proclaim the excellence of your salvific work in all that we do. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN:** UMH 370 Victory In Jesus

***BENEDICTION**

***PARTING HYMN:** UMH 672 (vs 1) God Be with You till We Meet Again

POSTLUDE: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee by L. Smith

* DENOTES CONGREGATION STANDING (AS ABLE)

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