## **First United Methodist Church**

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## January 21, 2024 — January 27, 2024

"3rd Sunday after Epiphany"Usher/Greeter: NeededPianist/Organist: Cynthia BurginLiturgist: Gordie BarryChildren's Worship: Natalie G./NeededAltar Flowers: NeededFellowship: NeededMonthly Mission Noisy Offering: Manistique Ministerial Association

 Monday (1/22)
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 Wednesday (1/24)
 Thursday (1/25)

 Friday (1/26)
 Friday (1/26)

Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM Worship Committee 10 AM

# January 28, 2024 — February 3, 2024

"4th Sunday After Epiphany"Usher/Greeter: NeededPianist/Organist: Cynthia BurginLiturgist: Janet HelmboldChildren's Worship: Natalie G./NeededAltar Flowers: NeededFellowship: NeededMonthly Mission Noisy Offering: Manistique Ministerial Association

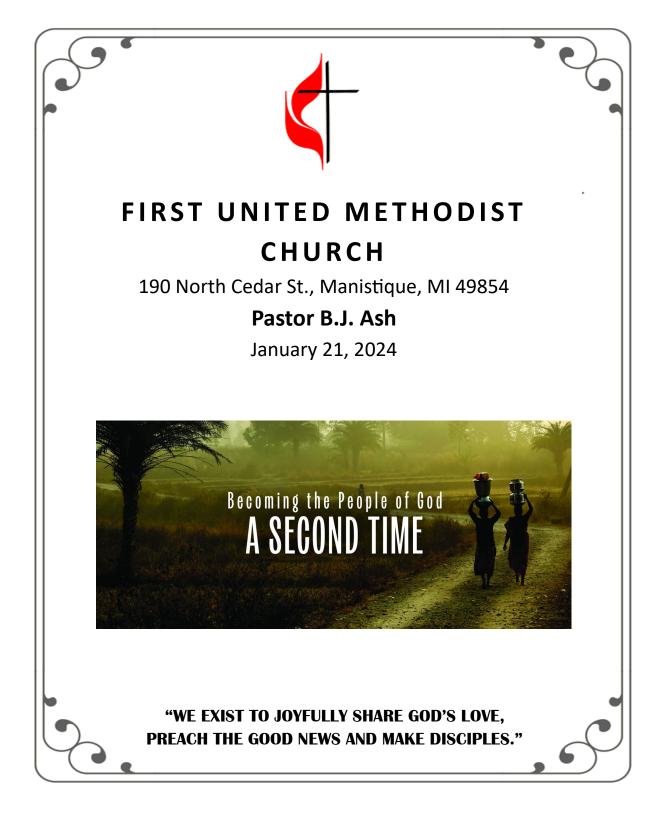
Monday (1/29)Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PMTuesday (1/30)Wednesday (1/31)Thursday (2/1)SPPRC 10 AMFriday (2/2)Friday (2/2)

### Lectionary Calendar—Bible Study

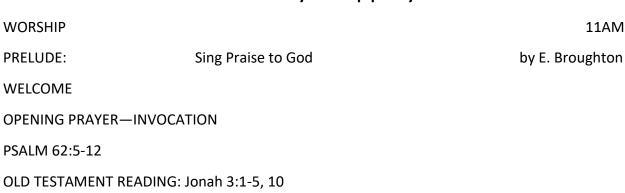
1/21/24Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Ps 62:5-12; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-201/28/24Deut 18:15-20; Ps 111; 1 Cor 8:1-13; Mark 1: 21-28



Let us please keep the following people in our prayers: Bette Jahn and Kurt Jahn family, Sue Freberg, Carol Weinert, Catherine Koch, Bill & Gayle Tufnell, Joel Prater, Jo Nell Rubick, Cynthia & Ken Burgin, Sharon V. & Celie N.'s brother, Lynn LaRose, Connie Meade, Katie Putnam, Mary Prater, Michael Haynes, Phyllis Burge, Martha Weeks, Ted Burson, Penny Tracy & her family health concerns, Kerry Billings family health concerns, Connie Whitsitt, and the unspoken needs.



**First United Methodist Church** January 21, 2024 "Third Sunday after Epiphany"



\*PRAISE CHORUS: FWS 2066

Praise the Name of Jesus

11AM

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: God called Jonah to go to Nineveh, a large city which had been an enemy of Israel for some time. He asked Jonah to warn the people of Nineveh that if they did not turn from their evil ways they would be destroyed. Jonah immediately headed to Tarshish, which was as far away from Nineveh as he could get. What will we do if God calls us to do something we find repulsive?

P: We want to obey God, but we would have difficulty doing so if it would help those who persecute us. We, too, might turn away and head the other direction.

L: Jesus called Andrew and Simon, James and John, all fishermen, to leave what they were doing and follow Him. All of them immediately obeyed. What would we do in such a situation?

P: We don't know. If we knew it was Jesus, we might go eagerly. If it was someone we really didn't know and we didn't know what we would be asked to do, we might very well refuse. We would want more information.

L: There are times when we have to make hard choices, between what we know and the unknown, between earning a living for ourselves and our family and trusting God to provide without knowing how or what He might do. How do we choose?

P: O Lord, we want to do Your bidding, but we are too often afraid, too often fearing the unknown, and too often trusting You so little that we are afraid to commit our lives to You. Forgive us we pray, and strengthen us for whatever task You give us to do.

\*OPENING HYMN: UMH 256

We Would See Jesus

\*APOSTLES' CREED: UMH 881

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S TIME

*HYMN OF PREPARATION: U	IMH 344	Lord, You Have Come t	o the Lakeshore
EPISTLE READING:		1 Cor	inthians 7:29-31
*GOSPEL READING:			Mark 1:14-20
SERMON		A	Whale of a Tale
PRAYER TIME	Sharing Our Joys and	Concerns	
PRAYER HYMN:	Hear Our Prayer, O Hear Our Prayer, O Incline Thine ear to And grant us Thy peac Amen.	Lord, o us,	
PASTORAL PRAYER			
THE LORD'S PRAYER			
ANNOUNCEMENTS			
OFFERTORY:	Happy the Home When G	od is There	by J. B. Dykes
*DOXOLOGY: UMH 95	Pr	aise God, from Whom Al	l Blessings Flow
*OFFERTORY PRAYER			
SPECIAL MUSIC			Ken Burgin
*CLOSING HYMN: FWS 2129		I Have Decided	to Follow Jesus
*BENEDICTION			
*PARTING HYMN: FWS 2186			Song of Hope
POSTLUDE:	Let All the Heavens Adore	Him	by P. Nicolai
January Mission Noisy Offering — Manistique Ministerial Association			

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