

First United Methodist Church

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May 18, 2025 — May 24, 2025

"5th Sunday of Easter" "Heritage Sunday"

Usher/Greeter: Barbara Collins

Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin

Liturgist: Lisa Jones

Youth's Worship: Natalie G./Needed

Altar Flowers: Ruth Annelin

Fellowship: Ruth Annelin

Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: Red Bird Mission/Henderson Settlement

Sunday (5/18) Baccalaureate 6 PM at MHS Auditorium

Monday (5/19) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM

Tuesday (5/20)

Wednesday (5/21)

Thursday (5/22)

Friday (5/23)

Saturday (5/24)

May 25, 2025 — May 31, 2025

"6th Sunday of Easter" "Graduation Sunday"

Usher/Greeter: Sharon Feichtenbiner

Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin

Liturgist: Jim Gaffney

Youth's Worship: Natalie G./Needed

Altar Flowers: Ruth Annelin

Fellowship: Needed

Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: Red Bird Mission/Henderson Settlement

Monday (5/26) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM

Tuesday (5/27)

Wednesday (5/28)

Thursday (5/29) Pastor B.J. @ Annual Conference in Traverse City

Friday (5/30) Pastor B.J. and Connie @ Annual Conference in Traverse City

Saturday (5/31) Pastor B.J. and Connie @ Annual Conference in Traverse City

Lectionary Calendar—Bible Study

5/18/25 Acts 11:1-18; Ps 148 (UMH 861); Rev 21:1-16; John 13:31-35

5/25/25 Acts 16:19-15; Ps 67 (UMH 791); Rev 21:10,22-22:5; John 14:23-29

Let us please keep the following people in our prayers: our graduating seniors from MHS, Penny Tracy, Carol Weinert, Char Crosby, Ken Burgin, Jeanie 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, Margo Withey & family, Connie Meade, Jo Nell Rubick, Joel Prater, Connie Whitsitt, Sandi Kolder, Betty Tracy, Jesse Baker, travel mercies, our snowbirds, and unspoken requests.

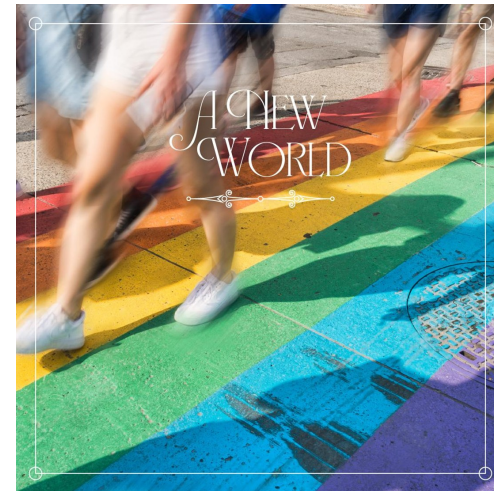


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**"WE EXIST TO JOYFULLY SHARE GOD'S LOVE,
PREACH THE GOOD NEWS AND MAKE DISCIPLES."**



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“5th Sunday of Easter” “Heritage Sunday”



WORSHIP 11AM

PRELUDE: Old Melody by Nancy Heward

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER—INVOCATION

PSALM 148

***PRAISE CHORUS:** UMH 62 (v 1) All Creatures of Our God and King

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

L: Love one another, Jesus commanded His disciples to do this, saying that this is how people will know that we are His disciples. Would people know this from our actions?

P: We love one another. We love our friends and our families, our church family and many others. Isn’t this what Jesus meant?

L: Jesus said this at His last supper with His followers, just after Judas had broken bread with Him and then left to betray Him to those wanting to kill Him. Jesus knew this, yet did not make an exception for Judas. He simply told His followers to love each other. Later He forgave those who were nailing Him to the cross, even as they were doing it. Jesus loves us. No exceptions. Do we do this?

P: We too often find it hard or even impossible to love some people. Must we love Adolph Hitler, or other who destroy people ruthlessly? Some people do not deserve our love!

L: Does anybody deserve the love of Jesus? Is anyone so perfect that he or she never sins? After all, only one without sin may actually deserve God’s love. Do we love even those who clearly do not deserve such love?

P: O God, please forgive our tendency to find excuses for not loving those whom we deem unlovable, or too sinful to merit any love. Remind us that You love us always, even when we do things wiilh You do not love. Please also forgive those actions, thoughts, and deeds of our which You cannot love, and for which we are genuinely sorry.

***OPENING HYMN:** UMH 384 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

***APOSTLES’ CREED:** UMH 881

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

YOUTH TIME

***HYMN OF PREPARATION:** UMH 393 (2x) Spirit of the Living God

***GOSPEL READING:** John 13:31-35, Revelation 21:1-6

SERMON: A New World

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: Spirit of God by Steve Garnaas-Holmes

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

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

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

***CLOSING HYMN:** UMH 500 (v 1, 4, 5) Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

***BENEDICTION**

***PARTING HYMN:** UMH 389 (v 1) Freely, Freely

POSTLUDE: Victory March by M. Isabella Ritter

The Altar Rail is always open to all.

May Mission Noisy Offering—Red Bird Mission/Henderson Settlement

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* DENOTES CONGREGATION STANDING (AS ABLE)
* PLEASE BE SURE TO SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES DURING THE WORSHIP SERVICE