First United Methodist Church

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March 22, 2026 — March 28, 2026

"5th Sunday in Lent"

Usher/Greeter: Needed
Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin
Liturgist: Bette Jahn
Youth's Worship: Natalie G./Needed
Altar Flowers: Needed
Fellowship: Needed
Monthly Noisy Offering: UMCOR—Emergency Relief

Monday (3/23)	Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM
Tuesday (3/24)	
Wednesday (3/25)	Lenten Soup, Bread, Devotion Service 5:30 PM
Thursday (3/26)	
Friday (3/27)	
Saturday (3/28)	United Women in Faith Reflection Breakfast 9:30 AM

March 29, 2026 — April 4, 2026

"Palm/Passion Sunday"

Usher/Greeter: Needed
Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin
Liturgist: Connie Kelsey
Youth's Worship: Natalie G./Needed
Altar Flowers: Needed
Fellowship: Jack & Lynn LaRose
Monthly Noisy Offering: UMCOR—Emergency Relief

Monday (3/30)	Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM
Tuesday (3/31)	
Wednesday (4/1)	Lenten Soup, Bread, Devotional Service 5:30 PM
Thursday (4/2)	
Friday (4/3)	Good Friday Service 1 PM
Saturday (4/4)	
Sunday (4/5)	Sunrise Service Lakeview Cemetery 7AM/Regular service 11 AM/Easter Potluck

Lectionary Calendar—Bible Study

3/22/26 Eze 37:1-14; Ps 130; Rom 8:6-11; John 11:1-45
3/29/26 Palms: Matt 21:1-11; Ps 118:1-2; 19-29/Passion: Isa 50:4-9a; Ps 31:9-16; Phil 2:5-11; Matt 26:14-27 or 27:11-54

Let us please keep the following people in our prayers: Gordie Barry, Katie Putnam, Martha Weeks, Louise Burson, Mary Prater, Ron Williams, Char Crosby, Penny Tracy, Ken & Cyndi Burgin, Joel Prater, Jean Smith, Barbara Schneider, Phyllis Burge, Carol Weinert, Curt & Celie Norton, Rita Salter, Sharon V. & Celie N.'s brother, Kerry Billings & family concerns, Michael & Kathleen Haynes family concerns, Connie Meade, Sandi Kolder, Betty Tracy, Jesse Baker, travel mercies, church ministries, unspoken joys and concerns, and for our world needs.

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190 North Cedar St., Manistique, MI 49854

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March 22, 2026

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

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March 22, 2026
"5th Sunday in Lent"

WORSHIP 11AM

PRELUDE: Symphonic Prelude by Johannes Brahms

***WELCOME FRIENDS SONG** (2x)

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

WELCOME—INVOCATION

PSALM 130

***PRAISE CHORUS**: W&S 3008 Open the Eyes of My Heart

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

L: Ezekiel was brought by the Spirit of the Lord to a valley full of dead, dry bones. He witnessed them become covered with sinew and flesh as he spoke as God commanded him. God said that He would put His spirit in them and that they would live. The bones were those of the house of Israel, who were dead to the Lord, but who were filled with the Spirit and would live again in Him.

P: How can this be? How can bones which are long dead and dried up be clothed again in the flesh and live?

L: Lazarus died and had lain in the grave for 4 days. When Jesus came to the grave accompanied by Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus, and by His own disciples, Jesus called Lazarus out of the grave, and he came out, alive again.

P: How can this be? How can the dead live again, especially after having been dead for 4 days?

L: To set your mind on things of this world is death. One whose mind is set on the things of this world is in the flesh and cannot please God, but if the Spirit is in you, you have life because of righteousness. If you believe this, and accept His Spirit, you will live.

P: O Lord, we do not understand all that You say because our minds are worldly minds, but we know that if we believe in You and accept Your Spirit within us, we too will live, for this has been promised to us through You. Replace our doubts with firm belief, and draw our hearts and minds to You and away from the worldly things which are of no account yet which so fill our lives that we do not always set aside time for You.

***OPENING HYMN**: UMH 261 (v.1-3) Lord of the Dance

***APOSTLES' CREED**

YOUTH TIME

***HYMN OF PREPARATION**: UMH 467 Trust and Obey

***SCRIPTURE READING**: Romans 8:6-11

SERMON: Redemption Road

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: Whiter Than Snow arr. by Lani Smith

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

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

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

***CLOSING HYMN**: UMH 420 Breathe On Me, Breath of God

***BENEDICTION**

***PARTING HYMN**: FWS 2186 Song of Hope

POSTLUDE: Fanfare Jean Joseph Mouret

The Altar Rail is always open to all.

March Mission Noisy Offering—UMCOR (Emergency Relief)

This noisy offering assists those in need of disaster relief around the world.

God is working through us. Thank you for your support!

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