**First United Methodist Church**

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## May 17, 2026 — May 23, 2026

*"Ascension Sunday" "7th Sunday of Easter"*

Usher/Greeter: Needed
Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin
Liturgist: Lisa Jones
Youth's Worship: Natalie G./Needed
Altar Flowers: Gordie & Susan Barry
Fellowship: Needed
Monthly Noisy Offering: Red Bird Mission/Henderson Settlement

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| Monday (5/18) | Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM |
| Tuesday (5/19) | |
| Wednesday (5/20) | |
| Thursday (5/21) | |
| Friday (5/22) | |
| Saturday (5/23) | |

## May 24, 2026 — May 30, 2026

*"Pentecost Sunday" "Heritage Sunday" "Aldersgate Day" "Graduation Sunday"*

Usher/Greeter: Needed
Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin
Liturgist: Ralph Livingston
Youth's Worship: Natalie G./Needed
Altar Flowers: Carol Hollenbeck
Fellowship: Ralph & Pixie Livingston
Monthly Noisy Offering: Red Bird Mission/Henderson Settlement

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| Monday (5/25) | Memorial Day Office Closed / No Bible Study or Prayer Group |
| Tuesday (5/26) | |
| Wednesday (5/27) | |
| Thursday (5/28) | Annual Conference in Traverse City (Pastor B.J. out of the office) |
| Friday (5/29) | Annual Conference in Traverse City (Pastor B.J. & Connie out of the office) |
| Saturday (5/30) | Annual Conference in Traverse City (Pastor B.J. & Connie out of the office) |
| Sunday (5/31) | Janet will lead the service, Ralph Livingston will deliver sermon |

**Lectionary Calendar—Bible Study**

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| 5/17/26 | Isa 45:1-7; Ps 21:1-7; 1 Pet 4:12-14, 5:6-11; John 17:1-11 |
| 5/24/26 | Num 11:24-30; Ps 104:24-34, 35b; 1 Cor 12:3b-13; John 7:37-39 |

Let us please keep the following people in our prayers: Ken & Cyndi Burgin, Martha Weeks, Gordie & Susan Barry, Louise Burson, Mary Prater, Ron Williams, Char Crosby, Penny Tracy, Joel Prater, Jean Smith, Barbara Schneider, Phyllis Burge, Carol Weinert, Curt & Celie Norton, Katie Putnam, Rita Salter, Janet Helmbold's sister Karen, Vic & Sharon's son Ron, Kerry Billings & family concerns, Michael & Kathleen Haynes family concerns, Connie Meade, Sandi Kolder, Betty Tracy, Jesse Baker, and unspoken joys/concerns.

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190 North Cedar St., Manistique, MI 49854

**Pastor B.J. Ash**

May 17, 2026

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

# First United Methodist Church
## May 17, 2026
### "Ascension Sunday" "7th Sunday of Easter"

WORSHIP 11AM

PRELUDE: Lift Your Voices by J. Andre

***WELCOME FRIENDS SONG**

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

WELCOME—INVOCATION

PSALM 24:7-10

***PRAISE CHORUS**: FWS 2070 He Is Exalted

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

L: We do not know how long each of us has on this earth, nor do we know when our Lord will come again, but we know that He is with us always, until the time comes when we shall all be with Him in glory.

**P: Praise God! We do not know these things and sometimes we are worried about them. However, we can know for certain that God keeps His promises, and that He has promised that His believers shall see Him in glory.**

L: The disciples who were with Him throughout His ministry on earth and witnessed His death, His resurrection, and His ascension into Heaven told of all they had seen. Their words were written down that all future generations should know of them.

**P: O God, strengthen our faith so that we remain assured of the truth of Your promises to us, and of the words of those long ago disciples who told what they had seen.**

***OPENING HYMN**: UMH 327 Crown Him With Many Crowns

***APOSTLES' CREED**: UMH 881

YOUTH TIME

***HYMN OF PREPARATION**: UMH 368 My Hope is Built

***GOSPEL READING**: Luke 24:44-53

SERMON: Living the Sequel

PRAYER TIME Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

PRAYER HYMN: W&S 3121 If You Believe and I Believe

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY: Interlude by Ira B. Wilson

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

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

FAVORITE HYMN Congregation's Choice

***CLOSING HYMN**: UMH 307 Christ Is Risen

***BENEDICTION**

***PARTING HYMN**: (front cover of hymnal) Go Now In Peace

POSTLUDE: Victory March by M. Isabelle Ritter

**<u>The Altar Rail is always open to all.</u>**

**<u>May Mission Noisy Offering—Red Bird Mission/Henderson Settlement</u>**

This is a mission as part of the body of Christ, to lift up Jesus Christ by providing basic needs to people in the Appalachian Mountains in Kentucky, through God's love. Thank you for your support!

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