

First United Methodist Church

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July 19, 2026 — July 25, 2026

"8th Sunday after Pentecost"

Usher/Greeter: Needed

Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin

Liturgist: Janet Helmbold

Youth's Worship: Natalie G./Needed

Altar Flowers: Char Crosby

Fellowship: Needed

Monthly Noisy Offering: Society of St. Andrew

Monday (7/20) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM / Pastor B.J. out of the office all week

Tuesday (7/21) Ad Council 10 AM

Wednesday (7/22)

Thursday (7/23)

Friday (7/24)

July 26, 2026 — August 1, 2026

"9th Sunday after Pentecost"

Usher/Greeter: Ellen Derber

Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin

Liturgist: Connie Kelsey

Youth's Worship: Natalie G./Needed

Altar Flowers: Ellen Derber

Fellowship: Needed

Monthly Noisy Offering: Society of St. Andrew

Monday (7/27) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM

Tuesday (7/28)

Wednesday (7/29) Pastor B.J. & family on vacation through August 14

Thursday (7/30)

Friday (7/31)

Saturday (8/1)

Lectionary Calendar

7/19/26 Gen 28:10-19a; Ps 139:1-2, 23-24; Rom 8:12-25; Matt 13:24-30, 35-43

7/26/26 Gen 29:15-28; Ps 105:1-11, 45b; Rom 8:26-39; Matty 13:31-33, 44-52



Let us please keep the following people in our prayers: Ken & Cyndi Burgin, Gordie & Susan Barry, Martha Weeks, Mary Prater, Louise Burson, Ron Williams, Char Crosby, Penny Tracy, Joel Prater, Jean Smith, Barbara Schneider, Phyllis Burge, Carol Weinert, Curt & Celie Norton, Katie Putnam, Rita Salter, 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

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



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July 19, 2026
“8th Sunday after Pentecost”



WORSHIP 11AM

PRELUDE: Contemplation by Walter R. Clarke

***WELCOME FRIENDS SONG**

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

WELCOME—INVOCATION

PSALM 139:1-12, 23-24

***PRAISE CHORUS:** UMH 393 Spirit of the Living God

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**
L: People use tables for many things. We eat around them, play games around them, and carry on conversations around them. Sometimes we pile them high with clutter, or use them as desks to accomplish work. How do you use tables?
P: We use tables for all of those things at times. We also gather around the Lord’s table to share communion, although we more often do this at an altar rather than a table.
L: We are part of a community when we are with others around a table, and if we share regularly with others, over time we become a community which is formed by these others. Thus we should choose at which table we sit very carefully.
P: Can we not sit at a variety of tables, used for a variety of purposes by various people?
L: We can indeed choose a variety of tables with many different people. However, we should do so wisely, because whether or not you intend it, over time you will be influenced by those around the table at which you sit and of which community you become a part. If you sit around several tables, which is the most important and influential in your life?
P: O God, let us choose to sit around Your table. As much as we may debate this, we are indeed influenced by those with whom we keep company, and we want to choose those whom You invite to the table!

***OPENING HYMN:** UMH 103 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

***APOSTLES’ CREED:** UMH 881

YOUTH TIME

***HYMN OF PREPARATION:** UMH 127 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

***SCRIPTURE READING:** 1 Corinthians 10:14-22

SERMON: The Table of Allegiance

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

THE LORD’S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY: Deeper, Deeper by C.P. Jones

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

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

SPECIAL MUSIC Darrell Dixon

***CLOSING HYMN:** UMH 384 Love Divine, All Love’s Excelling

***BENEDICTION**

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

POSTLUDE: Sing, O Heavens by Alice A. Breynard

The Altar Rail is always open to all.

July Mission Noisy Offering—Society of St. Andrew
This mission brings people together worldwide to harvest and share healthy food, reduce food waste, and build caring communities by offering nourishment to hungry neighbors.
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