First United Methodist Church

Welcome! We are a Congregation Caring For and About God's Community June 16, 2024 - 10:00am - Fifth Sunday in Pentecost / Father's Day

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Prelude: "Children of the Heavenly Father"

Swedish Melody; arr. Jeffrey Honoré

Welcome and Announcements – Please sign in on the attendance pads, or use your phone and the QR Code to the right to sign in electronically or use this link: https://form.jotform.com/211785166356159



Please fill out your yellow prayer cards

*Opening Hymn UMH #144: "This is My Father's World

- 1) This is my Father's world,
 And to my listening ears
 All nature sings, and round me rings
 The music of the spheres.
 This is my Father's world:
 I rest me in the thought
 Of rocks and trees,
 Of skies and seas;
 His hand the wonders wrought.
- 2) This is my Father's world,
 The birds their carols raise,
 The morning light, the lily white,
 Declare their maker's praise.

This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair; In the rustling grass I hear him pass; He speaks to me everywhere.

3) This is my Father's world.
O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong
Seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world:
Why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King; Let the heavens ring!
God reigns; let the earth be glad!

PRAYER AND PROCLAMATION

*The Call to Worship:

[adapted from Katherine Hawker, 1997. Posted on http://liturgyoutside.net/.]

One: Strength is commanding the wind and sea to obey,

All: Strength is wielding a slingshot in the face of a raging giant.

One: Strength is accepting vulnerability from inside the boat,

All: Strength is standing in solidarity with the powerless.

One: Strength is turning a cheek,

All: Strength is loving an enemy.

One: Strength is leaning in to the vulnerability of compassion.

All: Heavenly Father, we come to worship you today as you redefine our vision of strength. Equip us with your strength, through Christ. Amen.

Time of Prayer – During the Prayer Chorus and/or silent meditation, ushers will collect your yellow prayer cards.

God has cho-sen me. God has cho-sen me, and in my life is plant-ed a seed.

God knows that I need: its fruit shall be joy.

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Silent Meditation and the Pastoral Prayer lifting Celebrations and Concerns

The Lord's Prayer – Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Living Our Gratitude

☐ You can support your church family by giving in person or online. Enjoy the musical selection as a time to give thanks for God's blessings.

Use the QR code to the right or give online here:

https://www.firstumcsaginaw.org/give/

Offertory: "He's Still Workin' On Me"

by Joel Hemphill; arr. Bryan Latimer

The Doxology: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; UMH #94
Praise God all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving: Loving God, we bring our gifts this day trusting that you see what is on our hearts. Use these gifts, and we your people, to care for the needs around us and to build a world of peace and compassion, for we ask in Christ's holy name, Amen.

Children's Message – A special moment just for kids

Chorus UMH #191: "Jesus Loves Me"

Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to Him belong; they are weak but He is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

GREETING

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ: Through the Sacrament of Baptism, we are initiated into Christ's holy Church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

This morning, it is our joy to present Mae Eleanor Grimes for baptism. We are baptizing Eleanor on behalf of the congregation at Hyde Park United Methodist Church.

Parents: Marisa & Stephanie Grimes

Sponsors: Jeff Dolan and Andrea Fischer

RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

- On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you: Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin? *I do*.
- Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves? *I do*.
- Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races? *I do*.
- Will you nurture this child in Christ's holy church that by your teaching and example, she may be guided to accept God's grace for herself, to profess her faith openly, and to lead a Christian life? *I will.*
- Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ? We do.
- Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these persons now before you in your care?
- With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround this family with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

- Let us pray: Eternal Father, when nothing existed but chaos, you swept across the dark waters and brought forth light.
- In the days of Noah, you saved those on the ark through water. After the flood you set in the clouds a rainbow.
- When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt, you led them to freedom through the sea. Their children you brought through the Jordan to the land which you promised.

Sing to the Lord, all the earth! Tell of God's mercy each day!

In the fullness of time, you sent Jesus, nurtured in the water of a womb. He was baptized by John and anointed by your Spirit. He called his disciples to share in the baptism of his death and resurrection and to make disciples of all nations.

Declare His works to the nations, His glory among all the people.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, to bless this gift of water and she who receives it, to wash away her sin and clothe her in righteousness throughout her life, that, dying and being raised with Christ, she may share in his final victory.

All praise to you, Eternal Father, through your Son Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

BAPTISM WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS / PRAYER

Eleanor, I baptize you in the name of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

May the Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit, you may live as a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Pastor will offer prayer at this time, then:

COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

Now it is our joy to welcome our new sibling in Christ:

Through baptism, you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you as members of the family of Christ.

Members of the household of God, I commend this child to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase her faith, confirm her hope, and perfect her in love.

We give thanks for all that God has already given you, and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

And now, may the God of all grace, who has called us to eternal glory in Christ, establish and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit, that you may live in grace and peace. **Amen.**

Family is presented with baptismal certificate and a small gift at this time.

Please join in welcoming little Eleanor to the United Methodist Church Family.

Special Music: "There You'll Be" w/m by Diane Warren

Evie Kraynak, Soloist

³⁴ Then Samuel went to Ramah, and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. ³⁵ Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. ^{16:1} The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." ² Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' ³ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do, and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." ⁴ Samuel did what the Lord commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling and said, "Do you come peaceably?" ⁵ He said, "Peaceably. I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. ⁶When they came, Samuel looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely his anointed is now before the Lord." ⁷But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him, for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." 8 Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." ⁹ Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." ¹⁰ Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." 11 Then Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him, for we will not sit down until he comes here." 12 He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him, for this is the one." ¹³ Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Response to the Word

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God!

Meditation:	"THE LORD LOOKS ON THE HEART"	Pastor Amy Terhune	

WE GO AS WITNESSES FOR CHRIST IN THE WORLD

*Closing Hymn FWS #2123: "Loving Spirit"

- Loving Spirit, loving Spirit,
 You have chosen me to be—
 You have drawn me to your wonder,
 You have set your sign on me.
- 2) Like a mother you enfold me, Hold my life within your own, Feed me with your very body, Form me of your flesh and bone.
- 3) Like a father you protect me, Teach me the discerning eye,

- Hoist me up upon your shoulder, Let me see the world from high.
- 4) Friend and lover, in your closeness I am known and held and blessed: In your promise is my comfort, In your presence I may rest.
- 5) Loving Spirit, loving Spirit, You have chosen me to be— You have drawn me to your wonder, You have set your sign on me.

*Benediction:

One: Beloved, go out into the world this week intent on curbing judgement and intentionally viewing others as made in God's image, and may the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer uphold you by grace in all that you face this week.

All: We go in peace to love and serve the Lord and all God's creation. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Postlude: "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" by W.H. Monk; arr. Phil Lehenbauer

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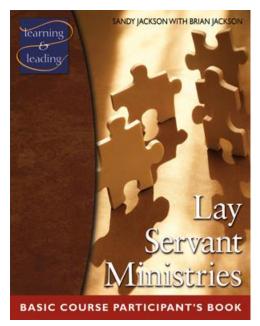
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS: Thank you for your service!!** Liturgist: Roger Spann / Greeters: Belinda Hatch and Stacy Sharrow / Ushers: Tom Kraynak, Bill Draper, Austin Tomlinson, Carla Piazza-Wistehuff / Welcome Desk: Kathy Winkowski / Coffee Hour Host: NEEDED / Sound System: Izzy Terhune / Nursery: Karissa Schultz
- PLEASE HOLD IN YOUR PRAYERS: Marilyn Ashmall, Ed Babinski, David Barker, Barry Brown, Tom Brubaker, Myrna Cammin, Judy Dawe, Bonnie & Pat Dole, Esther Cavendish Fisher, Don Hammond, Wayne Henney, Dr. Kirk Herrick, Marion Hoffman, Sarah Kettlehohn, ZoAnn Kraynak, Barb Kropp, Marilyn Latimer, Mark Leffler, Joyce Maltman, Bonnie Markley, Merlyn Mondol, Ron Moon, Bob & Sharon Mueller, Madge Richmond, Eugenia Shek, Ron & Noreen Southgate, & Dorothy Woods. Also, please pray for UMCOR, and for war to end in Ukraine and in Israel/Gaza.
- **HAPPY FATHER'S DAY** to all the men in our lives who guide and support us in caring ways!
- **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** for preschool through 5th grade will take place here at Saginaw First U.M.C. on Sunday 8/11, Monday 8/12, and Tuesday 8/13 from 6-8pm.
- **NEXT VBS PLANNING MEETING** Sunday, June 30, 11:30am-12:30pm.
- **2024 SPRING/SUMMER 6-WEEK BOOK STUDY "The Bible and Borders" by M. Daniel Carroll** lends insight from a leading Latino-American biblical scholar on what the Bible says about immigration, offering accessible, nuanced, and sympathetic guidance for the Church. Books available FREE from the main office. The final class is this week, in person on Tuesday 6/18 at 6:00pm, and online on Wednesday, 6/19 at 7:30pm.
- **FREE COMMUNITY MEALS** are on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, continuing Tuesday, June 11, 2024 from 5:30-6:30pm for Sloppy Joes. **Sign up to donate food at the Welcome Desk** or Volunteer to work here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044DAFAC2BA0FD0-community
- **PICTURES FOR THE ONLINE DIRECTORY** We are now trying to ensure that we have pictures for everyone in the online directory. This makes it easier for newer and longtime members to recognize one another and get to know each other. You can send Pastor Amy your favorite family photo, or stay after church later this month and we'll take a picture for you! Thank you!

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

Be sure to check in on Facebook! The more of us that do, the more people learn about who we are! YouTube: Saginaw First UMC Facebook: @firstumcofsaginaw Instagram: saginawfumc



LAY SERVANT MINISTRIES

Lay Servant Ministries is one of the most significant lay leadership development programs available within the United Methodist connection. Through this equipping and empowering system, lay servants have the opportunity to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ, who then go and make other disciples in a variety of ways.

Lay Servant Ministries of Central Bay District invites you to attend a 10-hour class that introduces you to Lay Speaking and Lay Servant Ministry. God calls us all to a life of servanthood as disciples of Jesus Christ. While this class is invaluable to public speakers who may feel called to preach in other churches besides their home church, it also gives individuals opportunities to explore other avenues of ministry and service within the United Methodist Church.

SUMMER BASIC COURSE

When: Tuesday evenings – July 16, July 23, July 30, and August 6, 2024

Time: 6:30pm - 9:00pm

Where: Saginaw First United Methodist Church, 4790 Gratiot Road, Saginaw, MI 48638

Instructor: Pastor Amy Terhune

Text for the class: Lay Servant Ministries/Basic Course by Sandy Jackson & Brian Jackson

FALL BASIC COURSE

When: Saturdays – September 7 and September 14, 2024 Time: 9:00am – 3:00pm (includes a 1-hour lunch break)

Where: Auburn United Methodist Church, 207 S. Auburn Rd, Auburn, MI 48611

Instructor: Pastor Amy Terhune

Text for the class: Lay Servant Ministries/Basic Course by Sandy Jackson & Brian Jackson

You must PREREGISTER for these classes by emailing Janice Buckley at:

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- 1. Learn more online at https://michiganumc.org/laity/lay-servant/.
- Download the registration form from the Central Bay District website, or at https://michiganumc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Form-1-MIUMC-Certified-Lay-Servant-Application.pdf
 OR https://michiganumc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Form-2-MIUMC-Certified-Lay-Speaker-Application.pdf and have it signed by the appropriate people.
- 3. Bring your signed registration request form with you to the first class session on July 16, 2024 or Sept. 7, 2024. The deadline for summer registration is July 6, 2024. The deadline for Fall Registration is August 25, 2024.
- 4. It is your responsibility to order the participants book for \$12 here: https://store.upperroom.org/product/lay-servant-ministries-basic-course-participant-s-book

Please take time to update your member information and fill out the interest survey for your household on the reverse. You only need to fill out the Member Information Side if the office doesn't already have your info, or if something needs updating. You may also complete this online using the QR code to the right. Thank you for your help and feedback!



MEMBER INFORMATION

Name:				Birth Date:		
What name to you like to be called:						
Spouse's Name:				Birth Date:		
Address:						
Winter Address (if diff	erent):					
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Is there anything else v	ve should know about	you or your fan	nily?			
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INTEREST SURVEY

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