

First United Methodist Church

Loving the Whole City, Loving the City Whole!

October 13, 2024 - 10:00am - 22nd Sunday in Pentecost / Stewardship II

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Prelude: “*Freely, Freely*”

by Carol Owens; arr. Bryan Latimer

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 #354:** “*I Surrender All*”

1) All to Jesus I surrender;
All to him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust him,
In his presence daily live.

Refrain: I surrender all, I surrender all,
All to thee, my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.

2) All to Jesus I surrender;
Humbly at his feet I bow,
Worldly pleasures all forsaken;
Take me, Jesus, take me now. [*Refrain*]

3) All to Jesus I surrender;
Make me, Savior, wholly thine;
Let me feel the Holy Spirit,
Truly know that thou art mine. [*Refrain*]

4) All to Jesus I surrender;
Lord, I give myself to thee;
Fill me with thy love and power;
Let thy blessing fall on me. [*Refrain*]

5) All to Jesus I surrender;
Now I feel the sacred flame.
O the joy of full salvation!
Glory, glory to his name! [*Refrain*]

PRAYER AND PROCLAMATION

***The Call to Worship:**

(adapted from Rev. Drew Ludwig, <https://re-worship.blogspot.com>.)

One: Jesus was beloved by the poor and the outcast, but he was a threat to the powerful.

All: **Jesus stood against the Temple, so he was a threat to the Sadducees.**

One: Jesus healed on the Sabbath and ate with sinners, so he was a threat to the Pharisees.

All: **Jesus took the titles of “Lord,” and “Son of God,” so he was a threat to Caesar’s government.**

One: Jesus came without violence, yet he disturbed the peace.

All: **Jesus came proclaiming the Kingdom of God, and the kingdoms of this world were frightened.**

One: Lord, help us to love your Kingdom more than the kingdoms of this world.

All: **For indeed, O Lord, thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

** please stand if you are able to do so*

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

Prayer Chorus – “Where Your Treasure is”

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Where your treas - ure is, there your heart shall be. All that
you pos - sess will nev - er set you free. Seek the things that last; come and
learn from me. Where your treas - ure is, your heart shall be.

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 to God for all with which you have been blessed. Thank you!*

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



Offertory: “Give of Your Best to the Master”

by Mrs. Charles Barnard; arr. Gail Smith

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, all that we are and all that we have is a gift from you. We are stewards of your gifts, called to serve you through our talents, skills, resources, and prayers. Live in us, O God. Use who we are and what we have given to better this world in your holy name. Amen.

WE GO AS WITNESSES FOR CHRIST IN THE WORLD

***Closing Hymn FWS #2177: “Wounded World That Cries for Healing”**

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| 1) Wounded world that cries for healing:
Here we hold each other's pain,
Wounded systems, bruised & bleeding,
Bear the load, the scars of strain;
Dollars ration out compassion,
Hard decisions rule the day,
Jesus of the healing Spirit,
Free us to another way! | Tax and tithe are for a purpose
Shared to shield the poor and weak;
Past the symptoms of our sickness
Let the voice of justice speak. |
| 2) Through our nation's spent frustration,
Through the corridors of stress
May there move a kindlier wisdom
All my feel and all may bless; | 3) Honor those whose loving spirit
Nurses hope, restores and heals,
Towel and basin used in service
Like the Christ who comes and kneels;
In the tending, in the mending
May we see the right and fair,
In our common quest for wholeness
Heal each other by our care. |

***Benediction:**

One: Beloved, go forth to put God first, giving to God all that rightfully belong to God.
May the Holy Spirit guide your thoughts, words, and deeds this week, that others
may see God alive in you and seek God’s presence.

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

***Postlude: “I Am Thine, O Lord”**

by William H. Doane; arr. Robert J. Powell

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PRAY FOR OUR COMMUNITY / PRAY FOR PEACE

**Route starts and ends at:
New Birth Missionary Baptist Church**

2:15pm - Early Arrival/Meet-up

New Birth Missionary Baptist Cathedral
3121 Sheridan Ave, Saginaw, MI 48601

2:55pm - Stop 1 - Wickes Park

412 Wickes park Dr, Saginaw, MI 48601

3:30pm - Stop 2 - Borchard Park

100 N Michigan Ave, Saginaw, MI 48602

4:10pm - Stop 3 - Unity Park

1305 Leon Scott Ct, Saginaw, MI 48601

4:35pm - Stop 4 - Buena Vista Community Center

1940 S Outer Dr, Saginaw, MI 48601

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS: Thank you for your service!! Liturgist: Stacy Sharrow / Greeters: Judy Gerken, Jackie Moore / Ushers: Keith Courier, Bonnie Arnst, Marc Cesere, Max Mondol / Welcome Desk: Karen Constan / Coffee Hour Host: NEEDED / Sound System: Angie Smith / Nursery: Karissa Schultz

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to the family of Christine Horvat, charter member at State Street UMC, who entered eternal life on Sept. 29; and to Kay Mertz and family upon the death of Kay's grandson Michael Gray who entered eternal life Oct. 6, 2024. A Memorial Service for Michael will be held here at First U.M.C. this coming Wednesday, Oct. 16 at noon, with visitation for 1 hour beforehand.

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK: Betty Jo Cloud, Bill Cowdry, and Don Hammond.

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, RuthAnn Hilton, Marion Hoffman, Sue Johnson, Sharon Ketcham, ZoAnn Kraynak, Barb Kropp, Mark Leffler, Joyce Maltman, Bonnie Markley, Merlyn Mondol, Ron Moon, Bob & Sharon Mueller, Madge Richmond, Eugenia Shek, Ron & Noreen Southgate, Kathy Winkowski, and Dorothy Woods. Also, please pray for UMCOR, and for war to end in Ukraine and in Israel/Gaza.

YOUTH, KIDS, and FAMILIES are headed to **LEAMAN'S APPLE BARN TODAY** from 12:30-2:30pm. This is in place of our regular Kid's Club and Youth Group activities. Corn maze, games, petting zoo, hay rides, and donuts/cider are all part of the fun! The event is free. If you RSVPed, see Pastor Amy for your tickets. You can get them this morning, or meet up with her at Leaman's at 12:30. If you didn't RSVP, see Pastor Amy – it's not too late – we can get tickets at the door.

The Annual CHARGE CONFERENCE with the District Superintendent is next Sunday, October 20 at 6:00pm here at First UMC. Members of the Administrative Board Trustees, Finance Committee, and SPRC need to be there. ALL others are welcome. Since we are the host this year, we will need to provide desserts and coffee. Please sign up to donate at the Welcome Desk. Thank you!

THE FALL 2024 ADULT BOOK STUDY meets Tuesdays (in person) at 6:00pm or Wednesdays (online) at 7:30. We're studying "This Is Going To Hurt" by Bekah McNeel. Books are \$15.

FREE COMMUNITY MEALS are on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, continuing Tuesday, November 12, 2024 from 5:30-6:30pm for loaded nachos. Volunteer to work here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044DAFAC2BA0FD0-community>

ALL CHURCH CLEAN UP DAY – This Saturday, Oct. 19 from 9:00am-Noon. Several special indoor projects that only happen once a year, plus a few outdoor projects, too.

FUN EVENT - Eagle Scout Mark Schultz, of Troup #55 in Frankenmuth, is building a **TREBUCHET** (or catapult) for us here at First U.M.C. We will use it to welcome the community to our back lot on **Friday, November 1 from 5:30-6:30pm** to "Fling pumpkins" into the back field. We'll also have roasted hot dogs, chips, and hot apple cider. All are invited to bring their used jack-o-lanterns to **FLING THE PUMPKINS**. Event is free and open to all. Trebuchet will be operated only by trained adults. Help needed roasting hot dogs – see Pastor Amy if you can help.

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**

All Saints Remembrance - November 3, 2024

Each November, we remember those members of our congregation who have passed on to eternity since November 1 of last year. Families of church members know to us will receive a letter regarding our celebration of remembrance, inviting them to submit the information below along with a photo and a brief biography or tribute to be read during the service.'

If there are members of Ames U.M.C. or State Street U.M.C. that have passed in the last year, please help us catch those we might otherwise miss by filling in the information below along with your phone number so that we can get pertinent information.

Of course, we would also like to remember those loved ones who have passed on since November 1 who may not have been members here, but who are near and dear to our hearts. If you have lost a close family member or friend since November 1, 2023, you are invited to submit a photo and the following information to Pastor Amy via email (pastoralbt@outlook.com), dropping it in the offering plate, bring it into the office, or calling in the information to the church office (989) 799-0131.

Full name of Loved One: _____

Relationship to you: _____

Church Membership (*circle one*): Saginaw First U.M.C. State Street U.M.C. Ames U.M.C. Other

Date of Birth: _____ Date of Death _____

Submitted by: _____

Will you be here in person to light a candle? Yes No

If you have mobility issues or can't be here and wish for a worship leader to light the candle, check this box

Full name of Loved One: _____

Relationship to you: _____

Church Membership (*circle one*): Saginaw First U.M.C. State Street U.M.C. Ames U.M.C. Other

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