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**This week's Immediate Prayer List**

**Our Henderson missionaries: Wayne & Karen Disegna, Kirk Myers, Janelle Schade, Dan & Ann Sleeman**

A complete prayer list is available at the Welcome Center.

On November 7, All Saints Sunday, we will remember those members and friends of our church family who have died since All Saints Sunday 2020. Please call or email the church with names of those you would like us to remember at the service. So far we are aware of the following people: Robert Fawcett, Sue Hodde, Loraine Abrahamson, Betty Reynolds, Laura Sorensen, Betty Ford, Elaine Beach, Rose Marie Sutton, Clarice O'Herron, Arnold Burke, Carol Hunt, Richard Ruis, Debbie MacDonald, Nancy Rossi, and Bob Ford.

Today's liturgist is Max Schipper. Communion servers are Marjorie Carlson, Julie Carpenter, Dawn Mumford and Dan Post. Guest preacher is Dr. Vaughn Thurston-Cox.

The offering plates at the front of the sanctuary today are for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund, which helps people in need. You may give your offering when you come up for Communion.

Pastor: **Rev. Hillary Thurston-Cox**  
Office Manager: **Rev. Laurie McKinven-Copus**  
Youth Directors: **Cindy Cooper and George Faust**  
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*Our Mission: Reveal the Grace of God by welcoming and serving all in Christ!*



**October 3, 2021**



**World  
Communion Sunday**

**Prelude "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"**  
arr., Hugh Livingston, Jr.

*If you have a prayer concern that you would like the pastor to lift up during the prayer time today, please fill out a yellow prayer card from the pew and place it in the basket at the back of the sanctuary.*

**Welcome and Announcements** (insert)

***Call to Worship***

Liturgist: Around the world people gather to break bread and pour wine.

**Congregation: We gather with them in heart and mind.**

Liturgist: Around the world the broken body is made whole.

**Congregation: As part of that body we join in its unity.**

Liturgist: Around the world the Banquet of God is prepared for the table.

**Congregation: We, who share in the banquet, come eagerly to be fed.**

Liturgist: Let us worship together; let us share God's bounty. Amen.

**Hymn "Fairest Lord Jesus" Hymnal #189**

***Opening Prayer***

***Choral Anthem "One Faith, One Hope, One Lord"***

Craig Courtney, Composer  
Chancel Choir, Vocals  
L.J. Lindsey, Trumpet  
Gretchen Luce, Accompanist

**Psalm Reading Psalm 25 Pew Bibles p. 681**

***Children's Moment***

**Song "This Is Where Children Belong" James Ritchie**

***Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer***  
**(As Pastor ends Pastoral Prayer, congregation joins pastor in the Lord's Prayer, Hymnal #895).**

***Choral Response*** Three-Fold Amen

***Scripture Reading*** John 6:1-15\*  
John 12:20-25\*

***Sermon*** "World Communion Sunday"  
Dr. Vaughn Thurston-Cox

***Holy Communion*** Hymnal p. 15

***Closing Hymn "Siyahamba (We Are Marching in the Light of God)"*** African Freedom Song

***Benediction***

May the peace of the Lord Christ be with you, wherever he may send you.

May he guide you through the wilderness,

Protect you through the storm.

May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you.

May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.

Amen. Go in peace.

**Postlude "How Majestic Is Your Name" arr., John Innes**

\*New Revised Standard Version; not our pew Bibles

## Announcements

- We are in the process of reopening our nursery and children's Christian education. If you would be willing to invest in young children for a Sunday each month, please contact the church to sign up and begin the background check process.
- Our annual Church Conference will be Sunday, October 17 here at our church, in person or by zoom. This is the event at which we vote on church leaders, hear and vote on membership data, and present our vision for our church. The Church Conference will be at 2 pm, and there will be a gathering with other local United Methodist Church members at 3 pm. Any member or attendee of our church may speak at Church Conference but only members may vote. Those wishing to attend by zoom need to inform the church office by October 5 so that the District Secretary can send you the zoom link.
- The Mitten Tree will continue this year with a few changes. If you'd like to participate by knitting, crocheting or sewing mittens, hats or scarves for the needy children of Mason County, please contact Suzanne Dietel at 517-303-6030 or Norma Koeppe at 231-843-4253. More details about the Mitten Tree will be in the October *Footprints*.
- Our District United Methodist Women's annual meeting was via Zoom this year on September 25. When we meet in person, we encourage women to bring items to be given to a charity that is in the area of the church where the meeting is held. This year, our local United Methodist Women board has decided to suggest that women donate hygiene products that are collected at HumanTea and taken to Hope Project in Muskegon, that provides shelter, counseling and other needs for women rescued from human trafficking situations. Items suggested : full-size containers of shampoo, soap, laundry soap, lotion, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, tissues, and feminine hygiene products, as well as socks. Hotel-size, used products and shaving razors cannot be accepted. Please put any donations in the tubs that will be in the lobby entryway. We will collect items through Sunday, October 17. Thank you!
- The United Methodist Women will hold their famous Second Time Around sale in Fellowship Hall on Saturday, November 20 from 9 am to 2 pm. Start setting aside items (no clothing, please) to be donated. The items will be sold by donation with profits going to missions. More information later! *Karen Genson*

- We thank Joan Archer and Phyllis Heimall for their faithful Military Ministry. However, they wish to retire, and we need someone to take over this ministry! If you are interested, please contact Joan or Phyllis to find out what it entails; then call to let the office know.

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## This week at church

Today	Worship 10 am
Mon., Oct. 4	Women's AA 10 am, 4th-5th Grade Room United Methodist Women Executive Board 1 pm Cub Den 5:30 pm, 4th-5th Grade Room
Tues., Oct. 5	Intercessory Prayer 10 am, Library Community Book Study 10 am, 4th-5th Gr. Rm. Community Bible Study 1 pm, 4th-5th Gr. Rm. TWIG Meeting 2:00-3:30 pm, FH* Bell Choir Rehearsal 5 pm, Sanctuary
Wed., Oct. 6	Rug Ladies 9:30-11:30 am, Rug Room Women's AA 10 am, 4th-5th Grade Room Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7 pm
Thurs., Oct. 7	Men's Emmaus 4th Day 7 am, FH PEO 8:30-12:30, FH Women's Bible Study 10 am, SS Gathering Rm. Books and Beyond 6 pm, FH
Fri., Oct. 8	Women's AA 10 am, 4th-5th Grade Room
Sat., Oct. 9	Henderson missionaries leave in morning Emmaus Gathering & Potluck 3:00-7:30 pm

\*FH = Fellowship Hall