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This week's Immediate Prayer List

Sean Gordon, Louie Wolven, Carol Black

A complete prayer list is available at the Welcome Center.

Today's liturgist is Max Schipper. Communion Servers are Cindy Genter, Jac and Mary Russell, Dan and Ann Sleeman.

We are the people of the United Methodist Church of Ludington.

We believe in the God who created and continues to create.

We want to root ourselves in Jesus.

We rely on the Holy Spirit.

We seek to grow in faithfulness to the Gospel.

We believe our church is part of this community. Ludington has our heart.

We open our doors and ourselves to everyone --

When we say "Come as you are" we mean it.

Pastor: **Rev. Hillary Thurston-Cox**
Office Manager: **Rev. Laurie McKinven-Copus**
Youth Directors: **Cindy Cooper and George Faust**
Music Director: **Rebecca Sopha**
Handbell Choir Director: **Carleen Shinn**
Choir Accompanist: **Rogene Lathouwers**
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Our Mission: Reveal the Grace of God by welcoming and serving all in Christ!



February 6, 2022



Gathering Music **“Jesus Calls Us”** arr., Dale Wood

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

Kids Hope USA is a community outreach that we are launching, and we would love for you to be a part! Cindy Genter will be in the church lobby following worship with more information and mentor applications if you would like to get involved.

We are working on re-opening the nursery and Sunday school. To do that, we would like to hire nursery staff and a coordinator to put together schedules and recruit volunteers. If you are interested in either of these positions, please contact Pastor Hillary.

Opening Prayer

Opening Song **“Holy, Holy, Holy”** Hymnal #64

Call to Worship

Worship Leader: The invitation is given to every person by Jesus Christ: "Come to me! Follow me! Be my disciples!"

Congregation: We come to this place, to this time, at the invitation of Jesus Christ.

Worship Leader: In the name of Christ,

Congregation: we accept the invitation to discipleship.

Worship Leader: In the name of Christ,

Congregation: as his disciples, we worship and praise God.

Worship Leader: In the midst of a world where cruelty abounds,

Congregation: we proclaim the God of Compassion.

Worship Leader: In the midst of despair that threatens to swallow up whole lives, whole peoples,

Congregation: we proclaim the God of Hope.

Worship Leader: In the midst of indifference and apathy,
Congregation: we proclaim the God of Love.

All: Come, let us worship together
and share our witness of God's living presence in the world.

Song **“Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God”** Carl Mueller
Chancel Choir

Children’s Time

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).

Scripture I Corinthians 15:1-11 Pew Bibles p. 1401

Sermon “Who You Gonna Call?” Pastor Hillary

Sacrament of Communion Hymnal p. 15

Closing Hymn **“Here I Am, Lord”** Hymnal #593

Benediction

Postlude **“Fugue in G Major”** J. S. Bach

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Looking for the **altar flowers chart**? We have replaced it with a sign-up sheet on a clipboard at the Welcome Desk in the lobby. You can sign up to provide altar flowers on a Sunday that you choose. You may provide your own flowers, or the church can order them and you pay the church. We use Bela Floral, and the cost is \$25 to \$30 for front-facing flowers and \$33 to \$35 for an all-around arrangement. If you order them through the church, just make your check out to the church and put “altar flowers” in the check memo. Bela Floral will bill the church. Take your flowers home after worship to enjoy them throughout the week.

Announcements

Ludington Mass Transit (“Dial-a-Ride”) has resumed Sunday service. If you would like a ride to church on Sunday, call Ludington Mass Transit on Saturday to arrange it. Remember that the church will pay for your ride to and from the church at any time during the week.

Please note: Because **masks** are currently required in the church building, groups that meet here are asked *not* to serve food because that would entail removing masks to eat.

Our **Women’s Spring Bible Study** will begin on Thursday, February 24 at 10 am. We will meet in the Gathering Room in the Sunday School Wing as before. Our study is a 6-week study which will end on the 7th of April, the week before Holy Week. The title is *The Miracles of Jesus*, written by Jessica La Grove. Jessica is the Dean of the Chapel at Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Kentucky and an acclaimed pastor, teacher and speaker. Pastor Hillary became acquainted with her at Asbury and recommended this study for us. It will be an exciting study for us, especially leading up to Easter! I am happy to have Joan Kaatz to be a partner with me in leading our study! We will have a sign-up sheet in the office. Cost of the book will be \$12. If you have questions, you may call me at 843-4746 or Joan at 231-398-8523. *Lynne Gohn*

Ever been to Frakes, Kentucky? Feel a need to help? We’re heading down to the Henderson Settlement this fall to spend a week working in the Frakes, KY area, helping those less fortunate than ourselves. If you’ve thought about going on a mission trip, we have room for you! There will be an information meeting in April (date and time to follow) in the library at church. If you are interested or have any questions, contact either Kirk Myers (425-4408) or Wayne Disegna (843-6841).

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Thanks for all the caring and beautiful cards and donations. I feel all the prayers coming from up north to us. Our church family is so faithful.

Love and Blessings,
Sharon Alexander

This week at church

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| Today | Worship with Communion
Clarinet Ensemble Practice 3-5 pm, Choir Room
Oasis Rehearsal 4-5 pm, Sanctuary
United Youth Rally 5 pm, Trinity Evangelical
Church on Monona Drive |
| Mon., Feb. 7 | Women’s AA 10 am, 4th-5th Grade Room
Cub Den 5:30 pm, 4th-5th Grade Room |
| Tues., Feb. 8 | Intercessory Prayer 10 am, Library
Worship Planning Meeting, time TBA
Bell Choir Rehearsal 5:00 pm |
| Wed., Feb. 9 | Women’s AA 10 am, 4th-5th Grade Room
Books & Beyond 1:00 pm by Zoom
Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7 pm |
| Thurs., Feb. 10 | Men’s Emmaus 4th Day 7:30 am
Recorder Practice 10:15-11:30 am, Choir Room
Leadership Board Zoom 7:30 pm (Contact Dan
Sleeman for the link) |
| Fri., Feb. 11 | Women’s AA 10 am, 4th-5th Grade Room |
| Sat., Feb. 12 | Emmaus Gathering 1:00-4:30 pm, Fellowship
Hall (Please note: Time change from previous
meetings, and no potluck until further notice). |

When Ludington Schools are closed because of weather, the church building is closed, and meetings or events scheduled for that day are cancelled.