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**This week's Immediate Prayer List**

People of Ukraine, Donna Possehn's niece Ellie

A complete prayer list is available at the Welcome Center.

Today's liturgist is Shirley Mitchell.

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.

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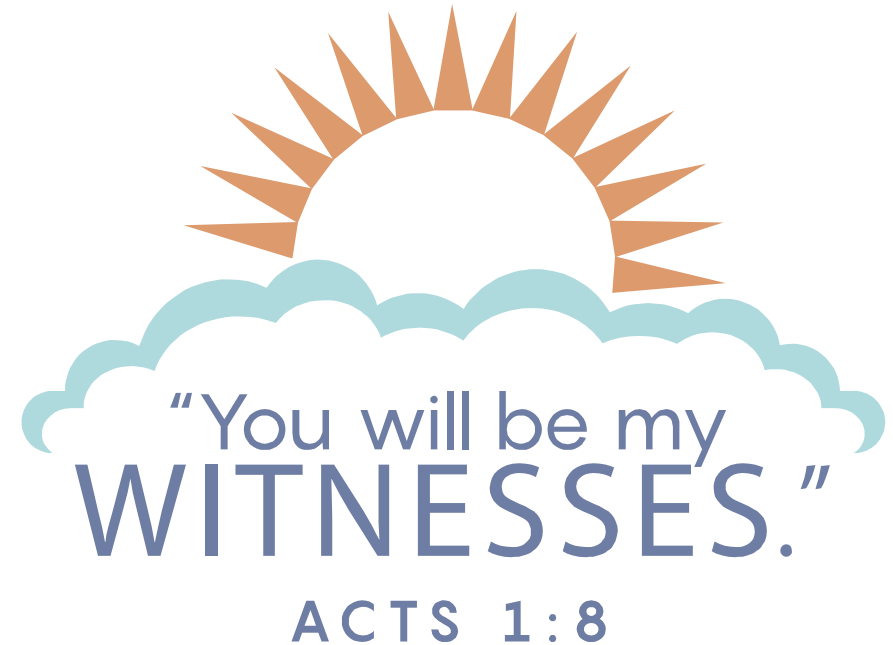
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*Our Mission: Reveal the Grace of God by welcoming and serving  
all in Christ!*



**May 15, 2022**



**Prelude**      **“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”**  
arr., Joshua Evanovich  
Performed by Handbell Choir

*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 or from the basket at the back of the sanctuary. Someone will take the prayer cards up to her at prayer time.*

**Welcome and Announcements**

- Happy Easter Season! We continue to celebrate the Risen Savior in the coming weeks.
- The Missions Committee has placed a blessing box outside the church. We’d love to fill it with non-perishable food items to share with those in need. Please stop by any time to donate.
- The United Methodist Women are having an indoor yard sale May 21. See the bulletin insert for details.

**Opening Prayer**

**Opening Hymn**      **“Lord, Speak to Me”**      Hymnal #463

**Call to Worship**

Leader: You are making all things new.

**People: A new heaven**

**A new earth**

Leader: A new way of thinking

A new way of being.

Leader: You are making all things new.

**People: No more Death**

**No more mourning**

Leader: No more crying

No more pain.

**People: You are making all things new.**

Leader: Renew our minds to renew the world by living out your commandment of love.

**ALL: You are making all things new.**

**Anthem**                      **“He Leadeth Me”**                      Kevin McChesney  
arr., Lorie Line  
Performed by Handbell Choir  
Emma Millard, Cello

**Children’s Time**

**Song**                      **“This is Where Children Belong”**                      James Ritchie

**Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer**

How wondrous is your great forgiving love, mighty God!...  
...in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whose glorious name we pray,

**“Our Father, who art in heaven...”**

*(As Pastor ends Pastoral Prayer, congregation joins pastor in the Lord’s Prayer, Hymnal #895).*

**Offering**                      **“Let All Things Now Living”**                      arr., Mark Hayes

**Scripture**                      Acts 1:4-8                      Pew Bibles p. 1323

**Sermon**                      **“Committed to Christ -- Witness”**                      Pastor Hillary

**Closing Hymn**      **“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”**      Hymnal #514

**Benediction**

**Postlude**                      **“Freedom Is Coming”**                      Freedom Song

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May 22 is **Graduation Sunday** at church. Our students who are graduating this year and their families are requested to be at church that day so that we can celebrate our grads. Currently we know of the following high school grads: Heidi Faust, Bella Gasaway, Kyle Heimerdinger, Allison Kaatz, Hayden Madl, Mackenzie McKinven-Copus, Maren Martinsen, and Wesley Stream.

Attention everyone - United Methodist Women are having an Indoor Yard Sale from 9 am to 2 pm on May 21. **Needed: Donated items, Workers, Shoppers!** Are any of you doing spring cleaning? Please set aside items (no clothing or shoes/boots) that you would like to donate for us to sell. Ideally, they should not be arriving at the church until May 18. Call Karen Genson with questions (843-2482). Please also put it on your calendar. We will need people to set up, people to work that day, *and* shoppers. Spread the word to potential shoppers - family, friends, etc.!

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Our church has given approximately \$5,000.00 to the **Ukraine Relief Fund** through our Easter Offering, our general fund, and received private giving. The needs in Ukraine are very serious and they need our support. If you would like to give more support, please mark your giving to Ukraine Relief, and as funds are received we will send them to UMCOR.

Thank you. *The Missions Committee*

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**Everyone is invited to the following events on May 28!**

**Bella Gasaway's Graduation Open House, 1 to 5 pm in the church Pavilion**

**Allison Kaatz's Miss Michigan Sendoff Party, 4 to 6 pm at the Ludington Area Center for the Arts.**

## This week at church

- Today      Worship 10 am  
Legacy 5-6 pm  
Oasis Rehearsal 6:30-7:30 pm
- Mon., May 16      Women's AA 10 am, 4th-5th Grade Room  
Ladies' Lunch Date 11:30 am, House of Flavors  
Cub Den 5:30 pm, 4th-5th Grade Room
- Tues., May 17      Intercessory Prayer 10 am
- Wed., May 18      Rug Ladies 9:30-11:30 am, Rug Room  
Women's AA 10 am, 4th-5th Grade Room  
Books & Beyond 1:00 pm  
Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7 pm
- Thu., May 19      Men's Emmaus 4th Day 7:30 am  
PEO 8:30-12:30, Fellowship Hall  
UMW Yard Sale Setup, afternoon and evening
- Fri., May 20      Women's AA 10 am, 4th-5th Grade Room  
UMW Yard Sale Setup all day
- Sat., May 21      UMW Indoor Yard Sale 9 am - 2 pm  
Petunia Planting 9 am (Ferry Street)

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### **Petunia Planting Time!**

Volunteers are needed for our church block on the west side of the marina (Ferry Street). Come next Saturday, May 21 at 9 am. Bring a garden trowel. Help us beautify Ludington.

*Carol Pebrson, Kathy Radtke*