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This week's Immediate Prayer List

John Vengen, John Drees, Carla Iris

A complete prayer list is available at the Welcome Center.

Today's liturgist is Shirley Mitchell. The altar flowers are given by John Drees and Deborah Chrystal in celebration of their sixth wedding anniversary! Soloist Hunter Brown is a Choral Education Music Major at Grand Valley State University.

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



July 17, 2022



Prelude “Largo” (from “Sinfonia No. 6”) Antonio Vivaldi

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

- 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. If you know of someone with food needs, please invite them to take some food home with our blessing.
- Vacation Bible School returns July 18-21! After two years away, it will be a wonderful outreach to the children of our community. There is a table in the lobby with information about how to donate food and supplies. They are also collecting Little Caesar's pizza proof of purchases for a pizza party to conclude the week. Help make this one of the best weeks of the summer! VBS helpers will meet at 1:30 pm today in the 4th-5th grade classroom, with decorating for VBS to follow from 2 to 4 pm.
- The church's technology is in need of an update for sound and projection. If you are able to contribute to this project, please designate any giving for the Technology Fund. We are grateful for all who have given already; we are about 30% to our goal.
- We welcome children in worship! But if parents prefer, a staffed nursery is available.

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn “I Am Thine, O Lord” Hymnal #419

Call to Worship

Leader: We gather together in the name of the One who bids us come.

People: **We gather together to hear the words of the One who is Love.**

Leader: We gather together to sing praises of the One who teaches peace.

People: **Come, let us worship!**

Special Music “The Roadside Fire” (from “Songs of Travel”)

Robert Lewis Stevenson/Ralph Vaughn Williams

Soloist: Hunter Brown

Children's Time

Song “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).

Offering “Dona Nobis Pacem (Grant Us Thy Peace)”

By W. A. Mozart; arr., Dorothy Wells

Choral Anthem “God and God Alone”

By Phil McHugh; arr., Tom Fettke

Soloist: Hunter Brown

Scripture John 14:23-28 Pew Bibles p. 1313

Sermon “Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs: Let There Be Peace on Earth” Pastor Hillary

Closing Song “Let There Be Peace on Earth” Hymnal #431

Benediction

Postlude “Fanfare and March” Henry Purcell

Announcements

Ladies of the church, we plan to have three more **cherry pie-making** days; so if you can roll crusts, measure or mix ingredients, put on lattice tops, or package pies (and talk and laugh), please sign up in the church office or the lobby for one or more of the days: 9 am to noon Tuesday, July 19; Thursday, July 21; and Tuesday, July 26 in the church kitchen. You can also call Karen Genson (231-843-2482/269-861-2812) or the church office. Frozen, ready-to-bake cherry pies will be for sale after service today and July 24 and 31; or by calling in an order to Karen Genson or the church office. There will be some made with Splenda as well as the usual sugared pies.

Today our church celebrates **Peace with Justice Sunday**, one of the special Sundays of The United Methodist Church. Donations for this special Sunday support programs and ministries to educate, equip and mobilize actions in support of identified economic, health and gender justice priorities. Each Annual Conference has a Peace with Justice Coordinator developing local social justice ministries. Fifty percent of the offering remains in our Michigan Conference to support this ministry. If you feel moved to give this ministry, please note "Peace with Justice" on your offering envelope or designate it in your online giving. *(This announcement ran July 10 by accident. If you wanted to donate but didn't get a chance last Sunday, here is your opportunity!)*



VBS/Church Family Mission Project: Since 1994, 100,000 PETS (Personal Energy Transportation) Mobility Carts have been produced by volunteers in 25 U.S. workshops and 3 African assembly locations. With the help of more than 70 distribution partners, these sturdy, 3-wheeled, hand-cranked wheelchairs can be found in 106 developing countries; furnished free to adults and children with leg handicaps due to disease, birth defects and injuries. Along with mobility they provide dignity, self-confidence, a way to earn a living, freedom, and hope. We hope that you might wish to join the children in this beneficial project.

Thank you for considering this invitation. If you would like to help, please make your check out to the church and write "PET" on the memo line. *Gratefully, the Missions Committee*

This week at church

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| Today | Prayer for the Service in the Prayer Room 9:45 am
Worship 10 am
Vacation Bible School Meeting 1:30 pm
VBS Decorating 2-4 pm
Legacy 4-6 pm |
| Mon., July 18 | Women's AA 10 am, 4th-5th Grade Room
Vacation Bible School 5:30-7:30 pm |
| Tues., July 19 | Cherry Pie Making 9 am-12 pm
Intercessory Prayer 10 am
Vacation Bible School 5:30-7:30 pm |
| Wed., July 20 | Rug Ladies 9:30-11:30 am, Rug Room
Women's AA 10 am, 4th-5th Grade Room
Vacation Bible School 5:30-7:30 pm
Cub Scouts in Pavilion 7:00 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm |
| Thu., July 21 | Men's Emmaus 4th Day 7:30 am
Cherry Pie Making 9 am-12 pm
U Dig It Youth Summer Series 9 am-12:30, Pavilion
Vacation Bible School 5:30-7:30 pm |
| Fri., July 22 | Women's AA 10 am, 4th-5th Grade Room |
| Sat., July 23 | Memorial Service for Bill Alexander 2 pm |

Many thanks to all those who volunteered or donated blood at our **July 8 American Red Cross Blood Drive**. You brought in 41 units of blood!

Work has been completed in our new **Prayer Room/Library** and it is open for use. You are welcome to use it for prayer or a quiet time, or discover a book to read and enjoy!