

Opportunities This Week

Sunday

9:00 am Great Heritage Worship Service
 10:05 Sunday School for All Ages
 11:00 Praise & Promise Service
 3:00 pm UMW Ecumenical Tea, Fellowship Hall
 5:00 Youth Group, Youth Room
 7:00 Parent Meeting for Louisville Youth Mission Trip, Youth Room

Monday

1:00 pm Mary Martha Circle, Multipurpose Room
 3:15 Prayer Group, Prayer & Meditation Room
 6:00 Fourth Day Group, Meeting Room
 7:00 Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday

9:00 am Women's No-Agenda Coffee, Big Boy
 6:00 pm Church Council Meeting, Multipurpose Room

Wednesday

4:15 pm Genesis Handbell Choir, Sanctuary
 5:15 Clarion Ringers, Sanctuary
 6:30 Confirmation Class, Multipurpose Room
 PraiseMakers, Sanctuary
 7:30 Chancel Choir, Sanctuary

Thursday

7:30 am Men's No-Agenda Breakfast, Bob Evans
 4:00 pm Kids' Club
 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous, Youth Room
 7:00 Property Committee, Multipurpose Room

Friday

7:00 pm Band Practice, Sanctuary

Saturday

9:00 am Advocacy Training, Fellowship Hall

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 11:00 Praise & Promise Worship Service
 5:00 pm Youth Group, Youth Room

Special Prayers This Week

Worshiping at Home

Winnie Sponseller Ruth Vetter Bessie Wainright Evelyn Bovee

Recovering at Home

Leonard Rockafellow - Joel's father - MDS
 Bret Kall - 20 year-old with cancer
 Mary Andreski - Cancer
 Cindy Helder
 Margie Williams
 Sharon McDonald - Surgery

Other Prayers

Dorald Giddings	Duane Sholler	Jim Henry
Denise Gallagher	Carole Dehong	Ken Houghton
Jeff Andreski	Patrick Graham	Tony & Jerrie Waggoner
Tim Brannan	Katherine Martin	Helen Tipton (sister of Joyce Pridgeon)
Janee Clark	Mary Lou - Healing	Betty Eckersley & family
Cindy Flaughter	Jill Beck	Merrie - Cancer treatment
Patricia Welch	Susie Harper	Tom Buehl - Hospice
Rick Gilbert	Edward Steele	Sandy - Auto immune disease
Amber Goffnet	Elizabeth Tenney	Jana Krager - Tumor in temple area
Sarah Douglas	Jack Anson	Sharon Kleis
Sarah Smith	Bessie Wainwright	Jen Meinema - Cancer
Nay Sieng Lor	Karey Shafer	David Zingery - Heart
		Grace Felton (Barb and Ralph Pitts')

Prayers for the World

India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka
 Our local Mt. Pleasant community Armed Forces personnel & families
 PEACE OUR LEADERS

Suggested devotional readings for the coming week are:
 Joshua 3:7-17, Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37 (UMH 830),
 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13, Matthew 23:1-12

Please help us keep the prayer concerns updated by calling the church office. Thank you.

CHURCH STAFF

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REGULAR WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

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SOUND ENGINEER	Rob Clendening	
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Church Office hours: Monday through Friday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

WORSHIP SERVICES CAN BE SEEN ON
CABLE CHANNEL 99
Tuesday - 7:00 pm - Wednesday - 6:00 am & 2:45 pm
Friday & Saturday - 6:30 pm - Sunday 6:00 pm

We are a Stephen Ministry congregation

Christian Care, Compassion, Listening
— when you need it most.



NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

All Saints Sunday...a day of remembrance of those who have died in the past year. We invite you to offer their names to be printed in the bulletin Sunday, November 6th. Please give the office the information by Wednesday, October 25th.

Welcome to Rev. Mark Erbes. Our Sesquicentennial Series, where we invite pastors who have previously served at FUMC, wraps up with today's visit of Mark and Annette Erbes. Mark attended United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio, and has been in the ministry for 18 years. He served as Associate Pastor at FUMC from 1997-2001 and during their stay in Mt. Pleasant, Annette acted as Education Director. Between services today, there will be a meet and greet session in the parlor to give us a chance to visit with Mark and Annette.

Next week, October 30th, a meet and greet session will be held between services to introduce **Carol Clute**, our new Office Manager, to the congregation. Plan to stop by and say hello and introduce yourself to her.

Choir member and church pianist, **Paul Melcher**, and fellow student, **Chelsea Hart**, will present a musical program at "Let's do Lunch" sponsored by Art Reach on Wednesday, November 2nd. The performance will take place at the Art Reach Center, 111 E. Broadway, from 12:00-1:00 p.m. Bring your lunch, enjoy the entertainment, and support these talented young musicians.

Parent Meeting for the Louisville Youth Mission Trip on Sunday, October 23rd from 7:00 to 7:15pm in the Youth Room.

Serving From The Heart - Finding Your Gifts and Talents for Service is a four week activity-based study designed to move us in the right direction. We discover our passions, dreams and learning styles, while we gain a better understanding of others. Please join us for one of the class times if this sounds like an opportunity for you. You can sign up at the welcome center so we know how many books to order. If you have any questions call Carole Baker at (989) 944-4556.

Rosebush United Methodist Church will hold their **4th Annual Craft Show** on November 5th from 10 am to 3 pm. A luncheon will be served from 11 am to 1 pm. For more information call 989-433-2957.

Members of our Methodist Fellowship: Through Bread for the World, we have another opportunity to help those in need in our country. Many of you have read about The Joint Select Committee on Debt Reduction, often called the Supercommittee, charged with reducing the debt by 2.1 trillion dollars over 10 years, to be submitted in late November to Congress. Rep. Dave Camp is one of 12 members on the Supercommittee. As Christians, our concern is both deficit reduction and protection of the "least of these" - most often children. As residents of Michigan, a state with 11.2% unemployment, we have a unique opportunity to impact the Supercommittee through our letters.

BFW is encouraging us to write Rep. Camp and ask that the programs that help the hungry and poor be placed in a Circle of Protection (COP); programs like WIC, school breakfast/lunch, Head Start, and the Supplemental Nutrition Program. On or before November 6, you will receive an e-mail sample letter and Rep. Camp's address and/or a paper sample letter and address. This is "as usual" except you will have the chance to write letters at home, either on your computer or on paper and envelope. The "least of these" need our circle of protection. Come, join us. Church and Society

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP? God's Way Kids are collecting pennies for UNICEF as part of their unit of study on stewardship. The Bible story is about the widow who went to the Temple and put two coins in the box for her offering. The children are learning that the smallest gifts can add up and make a big difference in the lives of others. If you would be interested in helping with this mission project, you may drop off your pennies in the Community Hall room on the 2nd floor or you may also drop them off at the church office.

The **Sunday morning adult Bible study class** meets in the church library @10:05 a.m. Please join us - we are saving a seat for you! Call Lynne Ingraham at 989-967-8201.

The **Youth Group** will be meeting every Sunday night from 5-7 pm in the youth room. Everyone in grades 7-12 are welcome and a meal is provided.

Social Concerns - Come meet with us on a timely topic - addressing the federal deficit and the impact on the anti-poverty and hunger-reducing efforts by our national government. Come to the Prayer & Meditation Room at 10:00 am this morning.

DRIVERS NEEDED: The Education Ministry Team is looking for volunteers to pick up children from school and bring them to the church for Kids' Club on Thursday afternoons. If you are willing to be a driver, please see Sharon or Cheri Recker or e-mail Sharon, smcdonald@mtpfumc.org, or call the church.

College Students are invited to dinner each Sunday during the semester at Wesley@CMU, 1400 S. Washington (corner of Washington and Preston), at 6 p.m. This is a free, (usually) home-cooked meal. Games, conversation, WII available. See Kendall with questions.

Nursery is provided at all services. Please see an usher for directions to the proper age group.

Pew Tote Bags with crayons, books, etc. for children are available. Look for them in the back of the sanctuary and please return them.

UMW NEWS -

October Activities

A **Women's Ecumenical Tea** for all area churches will be hosted by the UMW of First United Methodist in the Fellowship Hall from 3:00 to 5:00pm on today. Come as you are or have fun wearing hats and gloves. Jane Butcher is hosting the tea and asks that you bring a plate of finger food desserts. Please call her for loan of cups and saucers and some help and support.

Mary Martha meets on the fourth Monday of the month at 1:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room.

Wesley meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parlor.

Mackenzie meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room. Bring your lunch.