

## UPCOMING WORSHIP

June 11

2nd Sunday/PRIDE Sunday

**10:00 a.m. Worship**

Rev. Julie Kline

*Disreputable Characters & Misfits*

Matthew 9:9-13

June 18

Graduation Sunday

**10:00 a.m. Worship**

Rev. Matt Weiler

*It's an Inside Job*

Matthew 10:5-23

## WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dan Duncan, Vickie Winfield

**Director of Music**      **Organist**  
Jacqueline Stilger      Bernie Foulk

**Satellite Worship Coordinator:** Pastor Thom Victor

**AV Team:** Lucas McGinnis, Bryan Heany, Bob Lane,  
Casey Curran-Lead AV Technician.

## INCLUSIVE LANGUAGE

In our worship, we strive to witness to the wholeness of God, embracing the diversity of images of God that are found within Scriptures. We will seek to include male, female, and gender-neutral language and imagery for God, and utilize language that helps to avoid binary terms in pronouns and images of people. In our hymns and liturgy, we invite you to use pronouns that best express your practice and affirm your faith.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Special Offering: Peace with Justice.** Today, June 4, we partner with other United Methodist congregations in a special offering to support advocacy around the world. Peace with Justice grants are supporting programs and projects that witness to God's demands for a faithful, just, disarmed, and secure world.

**All Church Family Fun.** Please join the Children and Families Ministries Team (CFM) on Saturday, June 10th at Van Buren State Park for a cook out! Many church families will be camping there for our Family Camp Weekend. Please join us at 5 p.m. and bring food to grill, drinks, and chairs for your family and a dish to share with everyone to campsite 59. CFM will provide paper-ware and s'more supplies. Please park in the overflow parking and walk to campsite 59. If you'd like to swim and enjoy the day at the beach, please join us earlier! Contact Julia Librizzi at [jlibrizzi@umc-kzo.org](mailto:jlibrizzi@umc-kzo.org) for more information.

**June Mission of the Month:** Board books are now distributed in our Little Library. Quality, engaging board books, those with sturdy covers and pages, are an introduction to print and vocabulary and help build a strong bond between child and parent. As we work together to create lifelong readers and a literate Kalamazoo, you may join in helping to launch future readers by placing new or very gently used board books in the mission of the month box near the entry. If you prefer to contribute money toward books, please designate your contribution "board books."

**Small Groups.** Meet June 4 at 6 p.m. at the church.

**Bay Shore Day Camp On The Road.** Attention families of K-5th graders! Monday, August 14 - Thursday, August 17. Contact Ms. Julia at [jlibrizzi@umc-kzo.org](mailto:jlibrizzi@umc-kzo.org), for more information.

**Kalamazoo Service Project: Day of Service ~Pop Up Free Store,** Thursday June 15, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. in Wesley Hall. The congregation is invited to bring gently used items from their homes beginning Sunday, June 11—after worship until noon, and Monday, June 12 to Wednesday June 14, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Everyone is welcome to sort prior to and assist during the Free Store. Sign up at the Welcome Desk. Please see a full description of desired items in the Around the Corner email.

**June Change the World Offering.** Next week during our morning worship we will collect an offering for The Trevor Project. In 1998 The Trevor Project launched the Trevor Lifeline, the first national crisis intervention and suicide prevention lifeline for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer & questioning youth. The mission of The Trevor Project is to end suicide among LGBTQ young people. To learn more, please visit [thetrevorproject.org](http://thetrevorproject.org).

**Moms Demand Action For Gun Sense in America.** Wear Orange Event: Monday, June 5, 5 p.m. Join us at Bronson Park to commemorate June 2023 National Gun Violence Awareness Day. Hear from local leaders in the gun violence prevention advocacy movement and from survivors of gun violence. Talk with representatives from Kalamazoo organizations working with children and adults to keep them safe and help them heal from the trauma of gun violence. Find out how you can join in actions in Kalamazoo for gun safety changes. At 7 p.m. the Kalamazoo City Commission will read a Wear Orange proclamation and at dusk will light City Hall in orange.

**Saving Jesus.** "Saving Jesus," a DVD-based exploration of a credible Jesus for the 21st century, will continue meeting after worship through June with the last meeting on June 25. John Clark facilitates the discussions.

**Graduation Sunday.** We will celebrate all graduates on June 18. Please send a photo to [cstakely@umc-kzo.org](mailto:cstakely@umc-kzo.org) to be shared in worship. Please include your name, school of graduation, future plans, and a favorite church memory.



# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF KALAMAZOO

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June 4, 2023

10:00 a.m.

## It's Cool In The Furnace



**We are a Reconciling Congregation, welcoming all.**

First United Methodist Church of Kalamazoo invites all persons to join us on our journey of faith. Jesus Christ calls us to be an inclusive church that exemplifies the kingdom of God. We strive to move toward reconciling relationships with all, affirming those who are marginalized for any reason, including sexual orientation or gender identity.

We welcome all with *open hearts, open minds, open doors.*

## Clergy & Directors

**Rev. Julie Kline**

Lead Pastor

**Rev. Matt Weiler**

Pastor of Community Formation

**Jacqueline Stilger**

Director of Music

**Julia Librizzi**

Director of Children and Families  
Ministries

**Thom Victor**

Pastor of Congregational Care

**Ruth LaMachia**

Director of Business Administration

You are invited in these beginning moments to request prayers using the prayer cards found in the pew pocket. The cards will be collected by an usher, shared with clergy, and if you wish, spoken during the Prayers of the People during worship.

We'd like to connect with you. Please fill out a welcome card found at the end of the pews and place it in the offering basket by the door.

\* Please rise in body or in spirit

**PRELUDE**     *Prelude*     Wm. Boyce

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (Reading responsively)     Vickie Winfield

One:     God of abundance, you provide Creation, overflowing with life and beauty.  
All:     **In awe we praise you**  
One:     Christ, you accompany us in our deepest struggles with infinite love and grace.  
All:     **In gratitude we thank you.**  
One:     Holy Spirit, you fill us with all the gifts we need to serve you with compassion and power.  
All:     **In trust, we open ourselves to your presence. Alleluia!**

**\*OPENING HYMN #64**     *Holy, Holy, Holy*     (UMH-red hymnal)

**WELCOME**     Jacqueline Stilger

**LIGHTING THE PEACE CANDLE -**     Rev. Dan Duncan & Vickie Winfield

**PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**SCRIPTURE**     Daniel 3:16-28 (Modern English Version)

This is what the Spirit is saying to the church.  
**Thanks be to God,**

**MUSICAL**     *It's Cool in the Furnace*     by Buryl Red and Grace Hawthorne  
See insert

**MESSAGE**     *Whose World Do We Live In?*     Rev. Dan Duncan

**\*MUSICAL RESPONSE #144**     *This is God's Wondrous World* (vs. 3)





Music: Terra Beata Trad. English melody, Words: Malthie D. Babcock, 1901. Adapted by Voices United hymnal

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**Our God/Mother/Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**CALL TO OFFERING**

**\*THE DOXOLOGY #94**     (UMH-red hymnal)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Bountiful God, all that we can offer you stems from your generosity. May  
the gifts that we return to you become a blessing for your whole community  
of creation, enriching and empowering us for the work to which you call us.  
Amen.**

**OUR SHARED LIFE**

**\*HYMN #2008**     *Let All Things Now Living*     (FWS-black hymnal)

**BLESSING**

**POSTLUDE**     *Offertorio*     D. Zipoli

**THIS WEEK’S EVENTS**

**Sunday, Jun 4**  
10:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary  
10:00 a.m. Friendship Village Satellite Worship  
6:00 p.m. Youth Group - Beach Night - Van Buren State Park  
6:00 p.m. Small Groups at church

**Monday, June 5**  
12:45 Prayer Meeting - Chapel

**Tuesday, June 6**  
9:30 a.m. Worship Planning - Zoom  
6:30 p.m. Manna - Youth Center

**Wednesday, June 7**  
8:00 a.m. Yoga - Zoom (All are welcome)  
9:00 a.m. Dawn Patrol - Parlor  
12:00 p.m. Cuppa Inspiration - Facebook Live  
12:30 p.m. Food Pantry  
3:00 p.m. HON - TBD

**Thursday, June 8**  
9:30 a.m. First Stitchers - Fellowship Room  
11:00 a.m. Youth Ministry Team - 305

**Friday, June 9**  
Family Camping at Van Buren State Park

**Saturday, June 10**  
1:00 p.m. Memorial Service - Harriet Chalker  
5:00 p.m. All Church Family Fun - Cookout at Van Buren State Park campground. Lot 59.

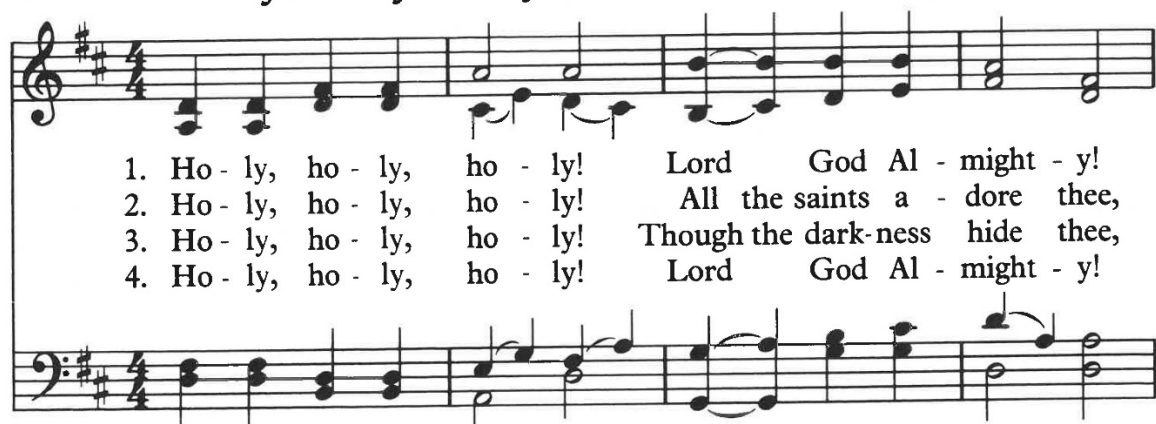
**Sunday, June 11**  
10:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary  
10:00 a.m. Friendship Village Satellite Worship

**Monday, June 12**  
12:45 p.m. Prayer Group - Chapel

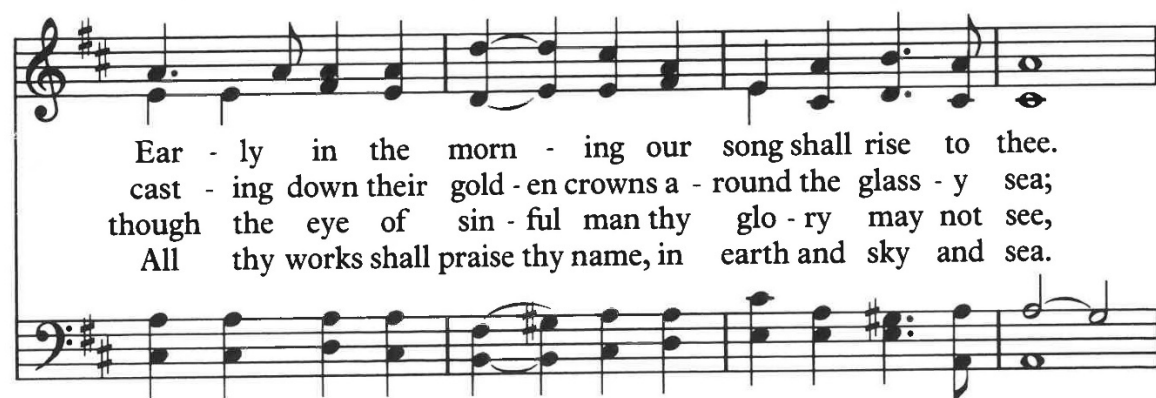
Scan the QR code below to be directed to our Connect Card and let us know you were here, share requests for prayer, or messages for our church and worship leaders.



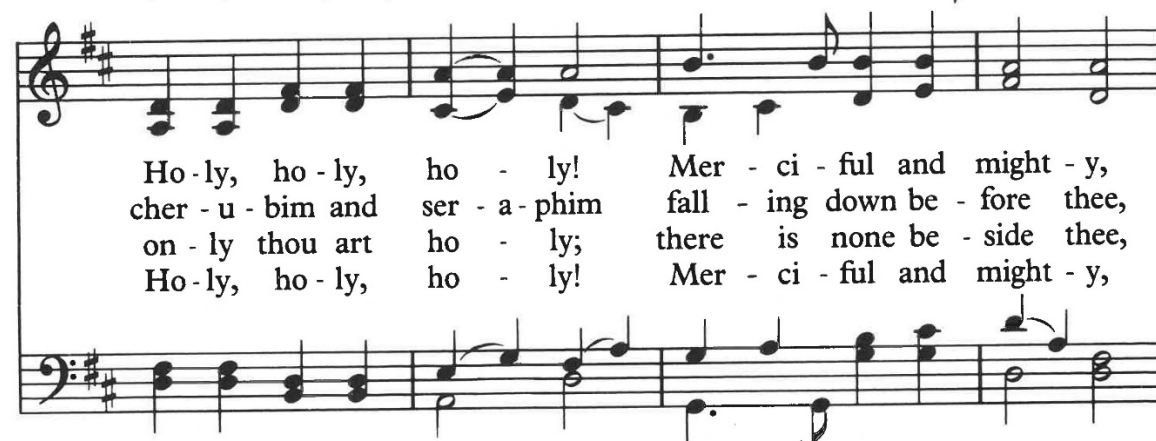
# 64 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty



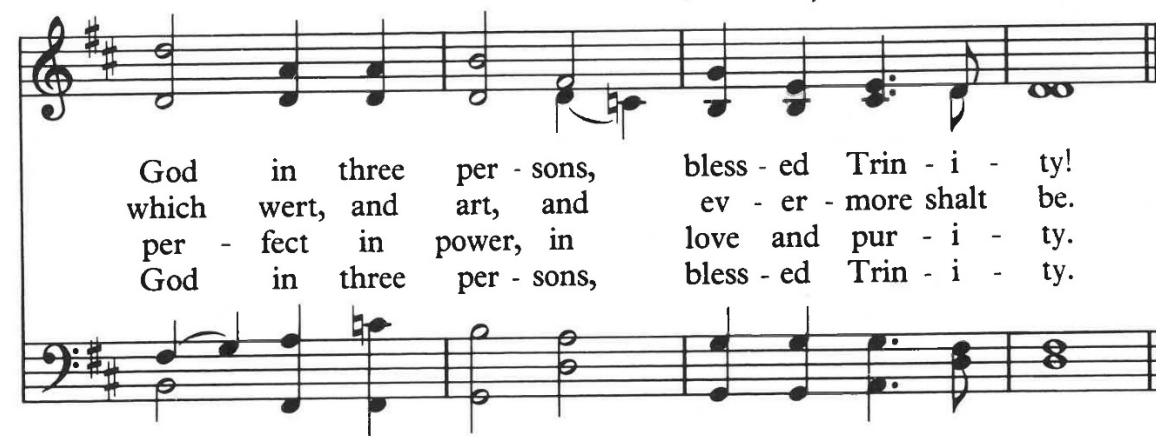
1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark-ness hide thee,  
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,  
 All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,  
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
 which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
 per - fect in power, in love and pur - i - ty.  
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

# It's Cool in the Furnace

by Buryl Red and Grace Hawthorne

Directed by Jacqueline Stilger



## CAST

|                           |                     |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| King Nebuchadnezzar ..... | Bixler Weiler       |
| Daniel.....               | Evelyn Moon         |
| Wise One #1.....          | Zoe Newman          |
| Wise One #2.....          | Lilly Harthorn      |
| Wise One #3.....          | Carolyn Librizzi    |
| Wise One #4.....          | Coulter Weiler      |
| Shadrach.....             | Campbell Weiler     |
| Meshach .....             | Neela Parthasarathy |
| Abednego.....             | Grace Harthorn      |
| Narrator .....            | Penelope Librizzi   |
| Kings Guard #1.....       | Max Newman          |
| Kings Guard #2 .....      | Kaden Seals         |

Thank you to all the people who helped  
to make this show possible!

Assistant Director: Peter Robertson

Scenery and Set Design: Nancy Douglas and Jane Rettke

Costumes: Carol Grant

Sound: Bernie Foulk, Bryan Heany, Casey Curran

Stage Set-Up: Thom Schaberg and crew

Percussion: Jude Fleishman

Producers: Julia Librizzi and CFM team

A special thanks to all First Beats parents who brought their kids faithfully to rehearsals, practiced their lines with them, and have instilled a love of God, music, and theatre within them.

# PROGRAM ORDER

Processional

Shadrach

Jerusalem Town

It Pays to Remember

Tra-La

Show Us the Dream

Nebuchadnezzar's Decree

Know When to Say "No"

It's Cool in the Furnace

Nebuchadnezzar's Decree

\*Let the People Praise

\*You are invited to sing the refrain  
along with the cast on the final song.

## Refrain



Praise the Lord in the Ho - ly place, praise God in the  
Praise the Lord in the Ho - ly place, praise God in the  
Hal - le - lu - jah, A - men, let the peo-ple



fir - ma-ment. Praise the Lord for God's might-y  
fir - ma-ment. Praise the Lord for God's might-y  
praise our God. Hal - le - lu jah, A -



acts, praise God for their ex - cel - lence.  
acts, praise God for their ex - cel - ence.  
men, let the peo-ple praise our God!



# This is God's Wondrous World (vs. 3)

This\_ is God won-drous world. O\_\_ let me n'er for - get that

though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet. This

is God's won-drous world: why should my heart be sad? Let

voi-ces sing let the hea-ven's ring! God reigns, let earth be glad.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of four staves of music in 4/4 time, written in a key with three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The melody is simple and uses a variety of note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, with some rests. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with some words underlined or followed by a blank line for emphasis or breath. The score ends with a double bar line.

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# Let All Things Now Living



1. Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks-giv - ing to  
2. The law God en - forc - es, the stars in their cours - es and



God the Cre - at - or tri - um - phant - ly raise, who  
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine; the



fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who  
hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the



guides us and leads to the end of our days. God's  
deeps of the o - cean pro - claim the Di - vine. We,



ban - ners fly o'er us; God's light goes be - fore us, a  
too, should be voic - ing our love and re - joic - ing; with



pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night, till  
glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise, till



shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as  
all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: To



for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.  
God in the high - est ho - san - na and praise!

WORDS: Katherine K. Davis (Exod. 13:21; Ps. 148; 150:6)

MUSIC: Trad. Welsh melody

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THE ASH GROVE

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