PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP Nancy Hyde

One: Creator God, we praise you!

All: By Water and the spirit you create us.

One: In the womb of your love we are born anew, breath by breath.

All: In our worship give birth to us again as your Beloved, as your community,

as the Body of Christ. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #64 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty (UMH-red hymnal)

WELCOME Rev. Julie Kline

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gentle God, you have created us by your Spirit and filled us with your gifts. You have placed within us the fruits of your good news to share with the world. But we have kept them to ourselves. We have held on to our goods; we have withheld our love; we have stilled your Word within us. Forgive our sin. Heal our fear. Break open our self-centeredness. Let our self-limited selves die, and give us new life instead, abundant with your grace and generous in love and service.

SILENT PRAYER

THE WORD OF GRACE Rev. Matt Weiler

LIGHTING THE PEACE CANDLE & PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

A TIME FOR THE CHILD WITHIN US ALL

Julia Librizzi

HYMN #2233 Where Children Belong (FWS-black hymnal)

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 6:1-8

MESSAGE Born of the Spirit

HYMN #2122 She Comes Sailing on the Wind

(FWS-black hymnal)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Julie Kline

Our God/Father/Mother, 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

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY #94 Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

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

God of all life, we give thanks that we have been cleansed by the mercy of your love, surrounded by the love of Christ, and filled with the power of the Spirit. Accept the gifts we offer today and use them to bless the world and proclaim your Triune power and glory. Amen.

OUR SHARED LIFE Linda Lueth

*HYMN #593 Here I am, Lord

BLESSING

Rondeau **POSTLUDE** J. Mouret

OUR MISSION

We are called to Experience God's love Celebrate God's love Share God's love

OUR VISION

We are a Christ-centered community where our stories are woven with God's story.

OUR VALUES

Love: God is Love and all creation is made in love, by love, for love.

Community: Sacred relationship with God and one another.

Inclusion: All identities belong and are loved in Christ.

Justice: Restoration of equity and wholeness.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, May 26

(UMH-red hymnal)

10:00 am Sunday Worship - Sanctuary

Monday, May 27

Closed for Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 28

9:30 am Worship Planning - Zoom 10:00 am Book Club - Chapel

4:15 pm First Beats - Choir Room

4:30 pm Food Pantry

6:30 pm Church Council - Parlor/Zoom

6:30 pm Manna - Youth Center

Wednesday, May 29

8:00 am Yoga - Zoom 9:00 am Dawn Patrol - Parlor

12:00 pm Cuppa Inspiration - Facebook Live

12:30 pm Food Pantry

3:00 pm HON - Zoom

Thursday, May 30

9:30 am First Stitchers - Fellowship Room

4:00 pm First Beats Rehearsal

4:00 pm Outreach team - Parlor

Friday May 31

7:00 pm Children's Musical "Through the Roof"

Saturday June 1

Sunday, June 2

10:00 am Sunday Worship - Sanctuary 10:00 am In Worship Children's Musical 6:00 pm Youth Group

UPCOMING WORSHIP

Sunday, June 2 10:00 am Worship Rev. Matt Weiler

Sunday, June 9 10:00 am Worship Rev. Julie Kline **Pride Sunday**

We're glad you are our guest today! If you are worshipping with us for the first time, please stop by the Welcome Center. Child care with trained and fully vaccinated staff is provided on the second floor for infants through three-year-olds.

Worship activities for children can be found on a cart outside the side sanctuary

LARGE print Bibles and Hymnals are available at the Park Street entrance. Hearing assistance devices are available at the Welcome Center.

Today's service is being livestreamed and recorded. You can request a free copy of the DVD from the office. You can find previous worship services on our website: http://www.umc-kzo.org/mp3.asp. You may view worship services on our YouTube channel: YouTube.com/c/ **KALAMAZOO**firstunitedmethodistchurch

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Rev. Julie Kline, Rev. Matt Weiler, Julia Librizzi, Nancy Hyde

Director of Music Organist Bernie Foulk Jacqueline Stilger

Trumpet Kevin

Audio-Visual Team: Bryan Heany, Lucas McGinnis, Thom Victor, Drew Eaton

Acolytes: Cora Welter

INCLUSIVE LANGUAGE

In our worship, we strive to witness to the try, with its unique mission and dedicated wholeness of God, embracing the diversity of images members, contributes significantly to our spirof God that are found within Scriptures. We will itual journey. Find out what they do, how they seek to include male, female, and gender-neutral do it, and most importantly, who forms these language and imagery for God and utilize language ministries. we invite you to join us after worthat helps to avoid binary terms in pronouns and ship to learn about our Memorial Committee images of people. In our hymns and liturgy, we invite you to use pronouns that best express your play a crucial role in the realization of people's practice and affirm your faith.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebrating our Graduates: Calling all high school and college students, or anyone who might be graduating this spring! We want to celebrate you and bless you in worship this summer. Our Graduate Sunday Celebration will take place in worship on Sunday, June 16th, at 10am. Please email Jose at jcelorio@umc-kzo.org with the following information: graduate's name, school they're graduating from, future plans, favorite church memory, and a photo of the graduate.

join us on a mission trip to Detroit, October 3-6. We ant, feminine hygiene products, laundry supwill be staying at and working through Cass Complies, toiletries, and toilet paper. Additionally, munity Social Services, a Detroit-based agency congift cards ranging from \$10-\$25. nected with Cass Community United Methodist Church. For questions, or to sign up, please contact Dan Duncan at: danduncan56@gmail.com.

Childrens Musical: First Beats will present their play Friday, May 31st at 7:00 and June 2nd during as tour hosts. This great trip will see the splenworship. They will be playing "Through the Roof!", dors of ancient Greece and Egypt, including a retelling of the story of Luke 5:17-26. The story is Corinth, Athens, Cairo, the Pyramids and a about a paralyzed man who is forgiven and healed Nile cruise. If you are at all interested, please by Jesus after being lowered through the roof by contact John Boley at 989.400.0355 or four friends. Join us for dessert following the May jboley54@gmail.com. 31st performance.

Bayshore Camp: Attention families of K-5th graders, Bayshore is back! This year the children will explore the theme "I AM" through Old Testament stories about Moses and the Israelites, as well as New Testament stories about followers of Jesus. The camp will run from Monday, August 12 to Thursday, August 15, 2024, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Lunch and snacks will be provided. There is no cost, but space is limited, so please register your children today. For more information, contact . Julia Librizzi at librizzi@umc.org.

Ministry Fair: We want to celebrate all the different ministries of our church. Each minisand Endowment Committee. These committees wishes even after they pass away. It's a wonderful opportunity to see how you can contribute to this meaningful work.

May Mission of the Month: The Seita Scholars Program at WMU is dedicated to supporting students aged 18-25 who have aged out of the foster care system. The program provides financial aid, skill enhancement through a Campus Coach, and extends support to former foster care students on campus who are not SEITA Scholar recipients. The program relies on community contributions to meet the personal needs of these students. Essential items Adult Mission Trip: We invite adults of any age to always in demand include body wash, deodor-

> Educational Opportunity: Bishop David Bard and his spouse Julie will be leading a trip to Greece and Egypt. Join us this November 10 – 20. John and Diane Boley will be participating



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10:00 AM

Trinity Sunday: Born of the Spirit Isaiah 6: 1-8



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.