



First United Methodist Church of Kalamazoo

A SENT PEOPLE

MARK 6:1-13

July 7, 2024
10:00 AM

COMMUNION
SUNDAY

212 S Park St
Kalamazoo, MI
www.umc-kzo.org

We would like to connect with you.

Please fill out the attendance pad and introduce yourself as you pass it to your neighbor. You are invited in these beginning moments to use the green prayer cards found in the pews. The cards will be collected by an usher during the opening hymn to be shared with clergy.

** Please rise in body or in spirit*

PRELUDE *Andante*

Gabriel Faurè

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLES

OPENING PRAYER & LIGHTING THE PEACE CANDLE

Dawn Wheaton

One: If we're honest, compassion does not come easy to us, God;
We see others who struggle; those without homes, or food...
...And so, we pray first for ourselves: that you would soften our hearts, and still our fears, and lead us into those acts of compassion that we are capable of doing.
And then we pray for all of these others whose lives can be changed through small, simple acts of care; that you would disturb us, and others like us, until we finally step up and play our part in the saving of your world; and that enough of us would answer your call, that the needs of the hurting ones may be met.

All: **In Jesus' name, we light this candle of peace. Amen**

Prayer written by John Van de Laar

*PASSING THE PEACE

***OPENING HYMN #2175** *Together We Serve*

(FWS-black hymnal)

*WELCOME

Rev. Julie Kline

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.*

***GOSPEL READING** Mark 6: 1-13

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Julia Librizzi

HYMN #2233 *Where Children Belong*

(FWS-black hymnal)

MESSAGE: A Sent People

Rev. Julie Kline

HYMN #2260 *Let Us Be Bread*

(FWS-black hymnal)

HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to the meal Jesus hosts. There is no one here who is ineligible or unwelcome; no one too old or too young; no one who has too many doubts or too few beliefs. You, who are part of God's creation, are welcome to receive Holy Communion this morning coming forward by the center aisle. As you receive a piece of bread, dip it into the cup of juice and eat. You are invited to add to the prayer quilt by offering your answer to "How do we hear God calling us into Beloved Community?"

One: God is with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to God.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Holy One, our God.

All: **It is good and beautiful to give God our praise.**

One: God, you create all things, and nothing is beyond your power.

All: **You form all people in your image, and no one is beyond your love.**

One: You judge the forces of oppression and set us free, and no force or nation can overpower your grace.

All: **You make us your people, and no boundaries can divide us.**

One: You gather us to your table, not by our deserving but by your grace,

All: **and no one is unworthy; no one is excluded. Therefore with people in every nation, in every language, we sing your praise:**

SANCTUS Musical Setting A (pg. 17)

(UMH-red hymnal)

One: Blessed are all who come in your name, who work for justice, who pray for healing, who proclaim your grace.

All: **Blessed is Jesus, who embodied your love. He taught and healed; and he gathered a community that crossed all boundaries.**

One: For his witness he was opposed; he was convicted and executed.

But in the power of your grace he rose again.

All: **He has set us free, and so we give you thanks.**

One: As long as we break this bread and share this cup we remember his death and resurrection, until he comes again.

All: **Therefore, remembering these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves as a living and holy sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of our faith:**

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION Musical Setting A (pg.18)

(UMH-red hymnal)

One: Pour out your Holy Spirit on these gifts of bread and cup, that they may be for us the body and blood of Christ.

All: **Pour out your Spirit on us, that we may be for the world the Body of Christ. Send us out as agents of healing, as bearers of good news. May your power be made perfect in our weakness, for the sake of the wholeness of the world, in the name and the Spirit of Christ.**

-Rev. Steve Garnaas-Holmes

COMMUNION MUSIC *Prayer of St. Francis*

S. Temple, Arr. A Giamanco

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CALL TO OFFERING

Rev. Matt Weiler

OFFERTORY *I Will Arise and Go to Jesus (Restoration)*

Arr. Daniel S. Pinkston

Clarinet: Karla Evans

***DOXOLOGY #95** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

(UMH-red hymnal)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Savior, Holy Ghost.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Life-giving God, you send us out to heal and bear light in a hurting world.
Shape us by your grace. Fill us with the power of your mercy. As we offer these
gifts of our hearts and hands, bless them, multiply them for the service of your
world. Amen.**

OUR SHARED LIFE

Rev. Dan Duncan

***HYMN #2130** *The Summons*

(FWS-black hymnal)

***BENEDICTION**

***SUNG BLESSING #2184** *Sent Out in Jesus' Name*

(FWS-black hymnal)

POSTLUDE *Whoever Lets God Guide*

J.S. Bach

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Julie Kline, Rev. Matt Weiler, Julia Librizzi,
Dawn Wheaton, Rev. Dan Duncan.

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

Clarinet
Karla Evans

Audio-Visual Team: Bryan Heany, Thom Victor,
Jason Brophy, Jim Frey

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

Ministry Fair: We want to celebrate all the different ministries of our church. This week, we want to honor and celebrate our Outreach Team Ministry (it's a big one), so stop by after church and learn how you can get involved in the many teams this ministry has. Make sure to check the insert in this bulletin for more detailed information and a form you can fill out.

Immigration Law & Justice Michigan Clinic: ILJ (formerly JFON) invites you to help welcome refugee families at a family clinic on Thursday, July 18, where volunteers will assist with employment authorization forms. Sessions are from 10-12 am. and 1-3 pm., with training at 9 am. This is a great introduction for new volunteers. For more information or to sign up, contact Ann Sweany at : asweany@iljmi.org

July Mission of the Month: Join the Outreach Team in supporting Spring Valley Elementary School by donating essential school supplies. With 90% of students on free or reduced lunches, your contributions will make a significant impact to a lot of this lower income families. Needed items include Ticonderoga pencils, colored pencils, Crayola crayons, pencil boxes/cases, glue sticks, thin markers, dry erase markers, and boxes of tissue. Let's come together to ensure every child starts the school year with the supplies they need

Adult Mission Trip: We invite adults of any age to join us on a mission trip to Detroit, October 3-6. We will be staying at and working through Cass Community Social Services, a Detroit-based agency connected with Cass Community United Methodist Church. For questions, or to sign up, please contact Dan Duncan at: (616) 502-5092 or danduncan56@gmail.com

Bus Driver Needed: We are looking for volunteers to join our team as bus drivers for Sunday morning worship. This is a wonderful opportunity to contribute to our church community by helping members who lack transportation to attend our services. If you have a valid driver's license, enjoy interacting with people, and want to serve in a meaningful way, please consider this role. Please contact Robin Entenman at: (269) 910-3963.

Children and Families Ministries Summer Yard Fellowship! Join our first gathering on Friday, July 12, 2024, from 6-8 pm at the Albert Home, 218 N 26th St., Kalamazoo, MI 49048. The fun continues on Friday, August 23, 2024, also from 6-8 pm, at the Parthasarathy Home, 845 Westmoreland Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49006. Please RSVP to jlibrizzi@umc-kzo.org. Don't forget to bring lawn chairs, a snack to share, lawn games, and drinks for your family.

FUMC Softball: Join us for FUMC Softball at Pathfinder Church, Portage, MI on **July 11th** at 6:15 pm! Enjoy a friendly, co-ed game followed by Ritter's Frozen Custard. All older than 13 are welcome, and fans are appreciated!

Bayshore Camp: Families of K-5th graders, Bayshore is back! This year the children will explore the theme "I AM" through Old Testament stories. 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: jlibrizzi@umc-kzo.org

ASP Prayer Partners: We are thrilled for our youth's return to the Appalachia Service Project this July! Let's support them with our prayers for their travel, work, and fellowship. On Sundays, July 7 and July 14, after worship, you can choose a youth or adult volunteer to keep in your heart and prayers for the week. This tradition has been incredibly meaningful, showing our congregation's love and support. Please visit the ASP table on July 7 or July 14!

MISSION

We are called to:

- Experience God's Love
- Celebrate God's Love
- Share God's Love

VISION

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

CORE 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, July 7

10:00 am Sunday Worship - Sanctuary

Monday, July 8

12:00 pm Prayer Group - Zoom/Chapel
1:00 pm Building & Grounds - Zoom
2:00 pm Leadership Team

Tuesday, July 9

9:30 am Worship Planning - Zoom
4:30 pm Food Pantry
6:30 pm Manna - out of bldg.

Wednesday, July 10

8:00 am Yoga - Zoom
9:00 am Dawn Patrol - Parlor
12:00 pm Cuppa Inspiration - Facebook Live
12:30 pm Food Pantry
2:00 pm Stephen Ministry - Rm. 310
3:00 pm HON - Zoom

Thursday, July 11

9:30 am First Stitchers - Fellowship Rm.
6:15 Softball - Pathfinder Church

Friday July 12

6:00 pm Summer Yard Fellowship - Albert Home

Saturday July 13

Sunday, July 14

10:00 am Sunday Worship - Sanctuary

UPCOMING WORSHIP

Sunday, July 14

10:00 am Worship

Rev. Matt Weiler

Mark 6:14-29

What Herod Heard

Sunday, July 21

10:00 am Worship

Rev. Julie Kline

Move into Stillness

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 doors.

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/](https://www.youtube.com/c/KALAMAZOOfirstunitedmethodistchurch)

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Church Staff

Rev. Julie Kline..... Lead Pastor

Rev. Matt Weiler Comm. Formation

Jacqueline Stilger Director of Music

Julia Librizzi..... Children & Families

Thom Victor..... Tech. Support Specialist

Bernie Foulk..... Organist

Drew Bolton Bldg. Superintendent

Christine Landreville..... Office Manager

Walt Whitfield..... Bookkeeper

Christiane Stakely..... Office Assistant

Jose Celorio ... Communications Coord.

Andrew Weare Building Host

Maggie Loncharte..... Building Host

Jonathan Townley..... Youth/YA Intern

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Together We Serve



1. To - geth - er we serve, u - nit - ed by love, in -
 2. We seek to be - come a bea - con of hope, a
 3. We wel - come the scarred, the wealth - y, the poor, the
 4. To - geth - er, by grace, we wit - ness and work, re -



vit - ing God's world to the glo - ri - ous feast. We
 lamp for the heart and a light for the feet. We
 bus - y, the lone - ly, and all who need care. We
 mem - ber - ing Je - sus, in whom we grow strong. To -



work and we pray through sor - row and joy, ex -
 learn, year by year, to let love shine through un -
 of - fer a home to those who will come, our
 geth - er we serve in Spir - it and truth, re -



tend - ing your love to the last and the least.
 til we see Christ in each per - son we meet.
 hands quick to help, our hearts read - y to dare.
 mem - ber - ing love is the strength of our song.

WORDS: Daniel Charles Damon

MUSIC: Daniel Charles Damon

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Where Children Belong



This, this is where chil - dren be - long, wel - comed as part of the



wor - ship - ing throng. Wa - ter, God's Word, bread and



cup, prayer, and song: This is where chil - dren be - long.

Let Us Be Bread

2260



Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord, bro-ken and



shared, life for the world. Let us be wine,



love free-ly poured. Let us be one in the Lord. _____

Stanzas included in other editions.

WORDS: Thomas Porter

MUSIC: Thomas Porter

LET US BE BREAD

Irregular

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The Summons

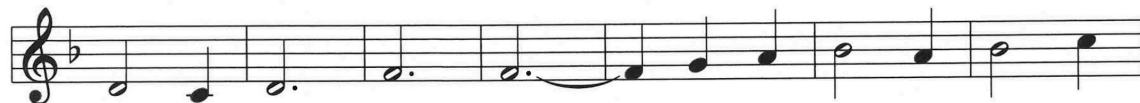
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1. Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
2. Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
3. Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
4. Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call
5. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? _____ Will you go where you don't know and
 your name? _____ Will you care for cruel and kind and
 your name? _____ Will you set the pris - oners free and
 your name? _____ Will you quell the fear in - side and
 my name. _____ Let me turn and fol - low you and



nev - er be the same? _____ Will you let my love be
 nev - er be the same? _____ Will you risk the hos - tile
 nev - er be the same? _____ Will you kiss the lep - er
 nev - er be the same? _____ Will you use the faith you've
 nev - er be the same. _____ In your com - pa - ny I'll



shown, — will you let my name be known, — will you
stare — should your life at - tract or scare? — Will you
clean, — and do such as this un - seen, — and ad -
found — to re - shape the world a - round, — through my
go — where your love and foot - steps show. — Thus I'll



let my life be grown in you and you in me? —
let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me? —
mit to what I mean in you and you in me? —
sight and touch and sound in you and you in me? —
move and live and grow in you and you in me. —

GRACE

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Sent Out in Jesus' Name

(Enviado Soy de Dios)



Sent out in Je - sus' name, our hands are rea - dy now to
En - via - do soy de Dios, mi ma - no lis - ta es - tá pa - ra



make the earth the place in which the king - dom comes.
cons - tru - ir con El un mun - do fra - ter - nal.



The an - gels can - not change a world of hurt and pain in -
Los án - ge - les no son en - via - dos a cam - biar un



to a world of love, of jus - tice and of peace. The
mun - do de do - lor por un mun - do de paz. Me



task is ours to do, to set it real - ly free. O
ha to - ca - do a mí ha - cer - lo rea - li - dad; a -



help us to o - bey and car - ry out your will.
yú - da - me, Se - ñor, a ha - cer tu vo - lun - tad.

Current Outreach Team Ministries of FUMC Kalamazoo

The First United Methodist Church Outreach Team acts as an advisory body for the church related to its outreach ministries and missions at local, national and international levels. Outreach ministry has been a fundamental purpose of First United Methodist Church throughout its history. Our ministry of service to those outside of the church continues to be the way we most often identify ourselves. It is our hope that if you are not already involved in any First United Methodist Church outreach ministries, this information will inspire you to contact someone who is. Join us by lending your gifts, talents, energy and time to make the world a place where more people can experience, share, and celebrate God's love

Housing	Hunger	Women & Children	Kalamazoo Community	Around the World
Helping Our Neighbors rent, utility and eviction assistance	Bronson Food Pantry	Support Costa Rica Children's Home	Helping Our Neighbors Phone project	Current Missionaries Methodist Children's Home of Costa Rica
Community Homeworks Critical home repairs	Wesley Dinners	Provide children's books through the food pantry	MoM hats gloves underwear Gospel Mission and MWC	Immigration Aid for People in Mexico and Central America (Cristain Schlick)
Building Blocks home repairs and neighborhood improvements	Sunnyside Community Garden	MoM School Supplies for Spring Valley	Salvation Army Share the Warmth Winter Coat Drive	Advancing Food Sovereignty through Agroecology in Brazil
YWCA Domestic Assault Shelter	Growing Hope Globally	YWCA Domestic Assault Shelter	MoM Angel Tree – gifts for children -Salvation Army	
Open Doors	Neighborhood Gardens via Building Blocks	MoM to provide support for WMU students sponsored by the SEITA Scholars Program	MoM Community in Schools Kids Closet	Cass Community Social Services in Detroit Adult Mission Trip
Habitat for Humanity	Ministry with Community		Kalamazoo Wesley Foundation	Coordinate Special Offerings for disaster relief or other UMC special needs/occasions
Winter house weatherization project	Thanksgiving meals for Spring Valley Families		Annual Allocation of Robinson Funds	
	Christmas break food packs for Spring Valley		Downtown Outreach Church Collaboration (DOCC)	
			Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) Recycling	

- MoM is the abbreviation for the Mission of the Month

* MWC is the abbreviation for Ministry with Community

(See Reverse for Additional Information)

Past Outreach Ministries of FUMC Kalamazoo

Housing	Hunger	Women & Children	Housing	Around the World
Wesley Foundation Student Housing	You Are Not Alone (YANA) Sunday evening meal provided to city residents	Promise tutors at Spring Valley	Helping our Neighbors sleeping bag coats Do all the Good you can do work day	Change the World Day
Kalamazoo Collective Housing				
Bishop Judith Craig Village				
Robin Cabin				
Dream Fund				
Robinson House				
Eleanor Street Shelter				
Ramp – Up				

A Quiz Related to FUMC's Outreach Activities Past and Present

- 1) In how many countries has FUMC sponsored various types of housing?
- 2) FUMC played a significant role in the founding of which currently operational Kalamazoo non-profits?
- 3) In relation to YANA, how long was this ministry active and how many meals were served?
- 4) What is a sleeping bag coat and how many did FUMC distribute?
- 5) How many cell phones have been distributed via FUMC's cell phone ministry?
- 6) Over the years, how many housing units has FUMC supported by either purchasing or building?

Answers to the above questions will be posted at the Outreach Team Information table after the service

If you have either a question or a comment for the Outreach Team stop by our information table after the service, or; contact Ray Sweany at

rasweany@charter.net or 504-616-9300

- 1) I would like to receive additional information about _____
 - 2) I have an idea about a new Mission of the Month or a potential new area of Ministry _____
 - 3) I would like to learn more about the work of the Outreach Team at FUMC _____
- My contact information is: Name _____, Phone # _____, Email _____