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# Wondering if Church is Closed?

If the weather outside is frightful, you may check WOOD-TV8 or WZZM-13 to see if worship service is canceled. If church is not canceled, but you are worried about the roads, we encourage you to stay home, stay safe and watch us on Facebook or YouTube! Also, if Muskegon Heights Schools have a snow day, the church office **might** be closed. Please call the church before coming!

**<u>2025 Offering Envelopes</u>** are in the Parlor for Bass, Blake-Evans, Long, Scott. Pick yours up today!

#### **Today's Worship Leaders**

Worship Leader– Jason HillSong Leader– Gunnar CarlsonLiturgist– John MorseAltar Design- Worship TeamSound & Livestream- Gayle IngersollProjection Visuals– Steve Neubauer & Carol Taylor

# **The Enneagram Journey** – A small group experience with John Morse - On Wednesdays at 1:00 PM starting January 22 for 12 Wednesdays.

In this 12-part curriculum, participants will explore the Enneagram, a powerful ancient tool for learning more about ourselves – why we do the things we do (and don't do), how we can become more aware of the workings of our personalities, and how we can grow and seek transformation for greater balance and wholeness.

Visit lifeinthetrinityministry.com/curriculum to purchase your Participant Guide for \$20.

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Our Staff Pastor - Rev. Jeff Bowman Office Manager - Melissa Miller Treasurer - Don DeYoung Sound & Media - Gayle Ingersoll Worship Leader - Jason Hill

# Scrip for sale in Parlor today!

# **Temple United Methodist Church**

Each person is a beloved child of God. Temple United Methodist Church welcomes, affirms and invites everyone into the full life and ministry of our congregation regardless of race, culture, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, family or socioeconomic status, physical or mental ability, or faith history. Join us as we gather as one community, grow our faith, give our diverse gifts, and go into the world to advance the kingdom of God.

## Sunday, January 12, 2025 Baptism of the Lord Sunday

All are invited to join at the chancel at 9:30 a.m. for an informal time of singing. "\*" in the bulletin denotes an invitation to stand in body or in spirit.

Thank you for silencing your cell phones, allowing others to be fully present with God.

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SACRED SILENCE Be Still and Know that I am God. Psalm 46:10

MUSIC MEDITATION	Baptized In Water (vs. 2 only)
	FWS 2248 (Black Songbook)

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

In the beginning, at creation, the Spirit hovered over the waters of the deep.

In the waters of the flood, God cleansed the earth and humankind. God caused the waters to part so that Israel could cross from slavery to liberation.

God formed Jesus in the waters of Mary's womb.

Jesus taught us how to live by washing his disciples' feet in water. Drinking water from a well, Jesus met a Samaritan woman, the first person to recognize that he was the Christ.

Today we celebrate the baptism of Jesus, the Christ.

God meant for Jesus to be the firstborn in a large family. Praise be to God!

**\*OPENING HYMN** 

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing UMH 400 (Red Hymnal)

#### **\*UNISON PRAYER**

God of life and new life, you are splendid and strong! Your voice thunders above the sound of loud waters. You sit enthroned above the floods of life. As Jesus heard you speak to him in his baptism, may we also hear you calling us your beloved, through Jesus Christ, your son, our brother. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Matthew 3:13-17 (NRSV)

MESSAGE	The Covenant	Rev. Terri Cummins	
*RESPONSE	For Those Tears I Died Thomas	Shaffer & Steve Neubauer	
REMEMBERING	OUR BAPTISM		
OFFERING OF GIFTS AND PRAYERS Methods for Giving: Mail, in-person, electronic@www.templeumcmuskegon.com			
You are invited to bring your prayers to the altar and to light a candle as a symbolic expression of your prayer intention. If unable to stand or kneel we invite you to ask another sitting near to you to light a candle for you. <i>"When you can't put your prayer into words, God hears your heart."</i>			
PRAYER RESPON		<i>zed (refrain only)</i> WS 2252 (Black Songbook)	
PASTORAL PRAYER			
*SENDING FORTH HYMN Go to the World WS 3158 (Green Songbook)			
*BENEDICTION			
*POSTLUDE	Shall We Gather at the	River Arr. Robert Lowery	

*Thank you, Rev. Terri Cummins, for bringing us our message today. We are honored to welcome you!* 

#### Announcements

Today	Welcome Pastor Terri Cummins
	Time of informal singing 9:30 AM at the chancel. All invited!
	Snack and Chat in the church parlor following worship.
	Facebook livestream-share the link with your friends
Jan 15	SPRC 10:00 AM
	Supper House representatives meeting 1:00 PM
	Temple Leadership Team 4:00 PM
Jan 19	Rev. Terri Cummins will be our guest preacher
Jan 20	MLK Day
Jan 22	Enneagram Journey (small group) 1:00 PM
	Temple hosts Supper House 3:00-5:00 PM
	Mission for Area People meeting at United Way 4:00 PM
Jan 23	Building Use meeting 1:00 PM
Jan 30	Muskegon Methodist Ministries quarterly meeting 6:00-8:00 PM
	@ Community UMC N. Muskegon

Thank you, Temple Friends, for your cards, thoughts, and prayers. They are all truly appreciated. The DeYoung Family

### Hand2Hand

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped pack and deliver food this week for Hand2Hand. We will pack again at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, February 25. Volunteers are always welcome. We will continue to collect soup in January. Pop tops only, please!

#### T.C.B. BOXING CLUB

If you would like to support or continue supporting T.C.B. Boxing, you can do so by giving to the **Temple United Methodist Church...memo: boxing fund.** 

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