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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!

Today's Worship Leaders

Worship Leader– Jason Hill Song Leader– Gunnar Carlson Liturgist– John Morse Altar Design- Worship Team Sound & Livestream- Gayle Ingersoll Projection Visuals– Steve Neubauer & Carol Taylor & John Morse

It's Not Too Late! The Enneagram Journey – A small group experience with John Morse - On Wednesdays at 1:00 PM starting January 29 for 12 Wednesdays. Due to the weather, the first class was postponed and the Enneagram Journey will begin this Wednesday, January 29.

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.

Family Promise is Coming Up! Week of February 2.

If you are able to provide meals that week, please contact Sue DeYoung. Did you know that in 2010, Detroit Lions Running Back, Jahmyr Gibbs, and his grandmother stayed in a Family Promise shelter?

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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 26, 2025 Third Sunday after the Epiphany

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

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE Temple Treasurer, Don DeYoung

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

MUSIC MEDITATION Holy Ground

FWS 2272 (Black Songbook)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus calls us to praise and prayer, to song and silence;

Jesus calls us to worship.

Jesus calls us to hearing and healing, to service and solidarity;

Jesus call us to love.

Jesus calls us to advocacy and action, to protest and provision;

Jesus calls us to justice.

Let us heed the call of Christ.

Let us worship together with joy.

*OPENING HYMN

There's Within My Heart a Melody (vs. 1,3,4) UMH 380 (Red Hymnal)

*UNISON PRAYER

God, you call us from familiar places into new journeys of faith. Lead us from our routines to follow your path and into unfamiliar areas we usually avoid. In our uncertain lives, speak to us, Spirit of Grace: about hope that anchors us, peace that grounds us, and grace that shelters us. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Matthew 4:12-23 (NRSV)

MESSAGE Stepping into a Larger Life

Pastor Jeff

*RESPONSE

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

UMH 340 (Red Hymnal)

OFFERING MOMENT Blessed Assurance Arr. Brian Chung Methods for Giving: Mail, in-person, electronic@www.templeumcmuskegon.com *DOXOLOGY



*OFFERING PRAYER

In recent weeks, we have celebrated significant events and milestones. We have acknowledged our commitments and the guidance that has come into our lives. Now it is time to respond to the call to follow a path of integrity and purpose. This call requires dedication, even when it is inconvenient or challenging. We present these offerings as a symbol of our willingness to move forward in this direction. Help us remain committed to this path. Amen.

ILLUMINATION OF PRAYERS

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.

"When you can't put your prayer into words, God hears your heart."

PRAYER RESPONSE

Holy Ground

FWS 2272 (Black Songbook)

PASTORAL PRAYER

*SENDING FORTH HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling UMH 384 (Red Hymnal)

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

I Will Sing of the Mercies

Arr. Roger House

*GOING FORTH

Announcements

Today	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 29	SPRC 10:00 AM
	Enneagram Journey (small group) 1:00 PM
	Mission for Area People meeting at 4:00 PM (location TBD)
Jan 30	Muskegon Methodist Ministries quarterly meeting 6:00-8:00 PM
	@ Community UMC N. Muskegon
Feb 5	Enneagram Journey (small group) 1:00 PM
Feb 22	TCB Boxing Tournament @ MH Highschool

Hand2Hand

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped pack and deliver food this week for Hand2Hand. We deliver every week, if you didn't know. We will pack again as a team at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, February 5. Volunteers always welcome! We will continue to collect cans of soup in January — soup that can be reconstituted with water. Pop tops only, please!

New Church Directory Coming Soon!

A new church directory and birthday/anniversary list will be mailed in February. If you have any changes (address, phone #, email address) please contact Melissa in the church office. If you would like to be included in and receive a directory, please let me know your information. Also, if I don't have your birthday/anniversary dates, let me know those, too! templeumcmkht@gmail.com

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