

Giving- During this time of prayer you are also welcome to bring your gifts to the boxes at the ends of the prayer rails

Prayer Response

UMH 474 V. 1 *RED HYMNAL*
Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Pastoral Prayer

+ **SENDING FORTH HYMN** UMH 664 *RED HYMNAL*
Sent Forth by God's Blessing

+ **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *O Worship the King* arr. Phillip Keveren

CHURCH CALENDAR

- Today **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY**
9:00-Coffee Café
11:00-Snack and Chat following worship (parlor)
- May 11 10:00-Temple Golf
May 12 10:00-Temple Garden
May 13 10:00-Mission for Area People church subgroup (pastor's office)
12:30-Muskegon Methodist Ministries (Coffee Café)
1:00-Conversation group: The Four Gospel Journey (parlor)
May 14 6:00-7:30- MMM Study "Knowing Who We Are" (Crestwood UMC)
May 15 10:00-Retired clergy gathering (pastor's office)
May 17 Charlie Barker Memorial Service 1:00-3:00pm
(Margaret Drake Elliott Park 1651 Beach Street, Muskegon, 49441)
May 20 12:30-LGBTQ+Faith Allies (Bethany Church)
1:00-Supper House Reps meeting (Traxler Room)
3:30-Mission for Area People board meeting
May 28 8:30-Men's Breakfast at Whitlow's



GIVING- There are multiple ways to give- in person, mail, online-
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phone's camera and click the link VANCO ©



TEMPLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, May 10, 2026 **SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**
MOTHER'S DAY

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 Reign of God.

“+” is an invitation to stand in body or in spirit, as each is able.

PRELUDE *God Give Us Christian Homes* arr. Cindy Berry

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: God, our Holy Parent, watches over us with love and deep compassion.

All: We have not been orphaned.

One: Jesus, our brother and the pioneer of our faith, leads us by truth, in word and deed.

All: We have not been orphaned.

One: The Holy Spirit, our Advocate, Guide, and constant companion, breathes with us day and night.

All: We have not been orphaned.

One: The community of the faithful exists beyond time and space.

All: We have not been orphaned.

One: The Word of Hope recedes into the past and marches forward into the future, carrying us through life of its way.

All: We have not been orphaned.

One: Thanks be to God.

All: We have not been orphaned.

+ OPENING HYMN

UMH 445 *RED HYMNAL*

Happy the Home When God Is There

+ UNISON PRAYER

God of all time and space, you initiated the relationship of love and generosity with creation at a time before and beyond all knowing. Through the Word and the Spirit, you continue in eternal love for all beings. Fill us with a deep and abiding awareness of your presence, your call, and your grace in our lives and in our world. Shape us to into the people you have made us to be –poured out in creative mercy for the sake of Jesus Christ in all creation. Amen.

+ PASSING THE PEACE

UMH 526 v.1 *RED HYMNAL*

What A Friend We Have in Jesus

Please return to your pew when the music begins.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we admit it: from plastic charge cards to websites, from phones in our pockets to stock options, we're surrounded by things that ask for our devotion. It's easy to start believing that work is everything, that money is why we matter, and that success is what keeps us going.

Forgive us, merciful God. You aren't found in a computer chip—you're present in the child who reaches for our hand. You aren't a chatbot's note—you are the living Word who can change our lives. You aren't a detached voice always recalculating—you are the One who calls us into real life, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Moment of silence

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: Despite everything we do, God loves us. This grace is why we can dare to hope.

All: **We will witness to this hope in every word we speak to every person we meet. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. Amen.**

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE READING

Acts 17: 22-31

GOSPEL READING

John 14: 15-21

One: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

No Longer Orphans

Pastor Jeff

+ HYMN OF RESPONSE

You Are Mine

TFWS 2218 *BLACK HYMNAL*

TIME OF PRAYER, REFLECTION, AND GIVING

Prayers for the Community

Carl Western, Carla Traxler, Bruce McLeod's cousin Darlene, Susan Harrison, Jim Hagans, John Jolman, Jan Krypel, Pastor Jeff, family and friends of Doris Brondsema, family and friends of Betty Drake, family and friends of Lee Longmire Jr., Cathy Squires, David Tyler, Juanita Zuder, Debbie, Jean Bingham, Heidi, Lexie, Gwen Bean, David & Kitty Stafford, Annie, Sandy.

Prayers for the World

Family and friends of Jeremiah Cuevas and Savanah Rubio, Grand Rapids Southwest school district, Economic impact of rising gas prices, Cruise ship and passengers quarantined, Deadly flooding in Kenya, Southeastern forest fires and drought, flood recovery efforts, Cuba, gun violence in Muskegon & Muskegon Heights, Peace and the end to war, Violent tactics of ICE agents, ICE agents and their families, peaceful protest, immigrants and refugees. All those experiencing food insecurity, Victims and families of gun violence, Gaza, Israel, Iran, Palestine, Ukraine.

You are invited to speak the first names of those in your heart.

Silent Prayer and Meditation

Hebrews 4: 16

“Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence. So that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.”

After a time of silence, music will begin, at this time you are invited to bring your prayers to the altar and to light a candle as an outward expression of your prayer intention. If you are unable to stand or kneel, we invite you to ask another sitting near you to light a candle for you.

Coffee Café! Join us for coffee, conversation, and community before worship—everyone is welcome! Table seating is located both in the café area and in the sanctuary. Feel free to bring your drink into the service. Whether you're a longtime member or a newcomer, it's a relaxing place to meet others, enjoy a beverage, and connect. *“A cup of coffee shared with friends is happiness tasted.”*



Four Gospel Journey (group conversation) Alexander Shaia

How do we face change? How do we move through suffering? How do we receive joy? How do we mature in service? Spend some time with Alexander J Shaia as he uses the great map of the four gospels to guide us on the Christ journey - one of love, growth and transformation. The series includes 6 conversation films with Alexander.

All sessions meet at 1:00 in the Parlor. Session Titles And Films Order:
 5/13/26 Session Four // Receiving Gifts: Resting In John's Glorious Garden
 5/20/26 Session Five // Maturing Through Service: Walking Luke's Road Of Riches
 5/27/26 Session Six // The Essential Practices Of The Journey

Hand2Hand

The Hand2Hand team will continue to collect individual cups of applesauce and/or mandarin oranges through Sunday, May 17. Our last packing date for the school year is Wednesday, May 20. Just so you know, we will send home extra food for our kids when they go on summer break. We also include a list of places they go for help until school starts again. We couldn't do this without you! You are such a blessing!

Mission for Area People Fundraiser

Join Mission for Area People at Culver's in North Muskegon on May 12, from 5-8 p.m. MAP is hosting a share night to support their **Happy Feet Event!** Come eat and help give low-income students access to new shoes for school!

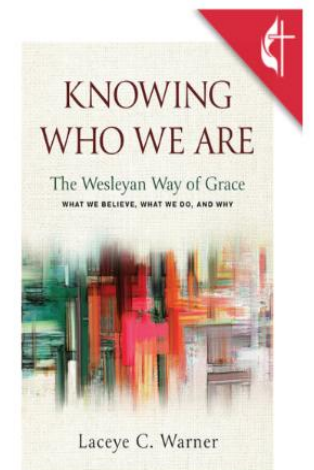


Save the Dates!

Join us for a book study and discussion of Lacey C. Warner's book *Knowing Who We Are*, sponsored by Muskegon Methodist Ministries

Thursdays, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

- April 16 Central UMC May 7 Temple UMC
- April 23 Community UMC May 14 Crestwood UMC
- April 30 Lake Harbor UMC May 21 Central UMC



Happy Birthday to

Thank you to today's worship leaders!

Liturgists- Marsha Black & Colleen Black
Song Leader- Gunnar Carlson
Projection & Visuals- Steve Neubauer/Carol Taylor/John Morse
Altar Design- Worship Team
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JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE LIFE OF
CHARLIE BARKER
SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2026
1PM - 3PM
The Pavilion at Margaret Drake Elliott Park
1651 Beach St, Muskegon, MI 49441
Light refreshments will be served.

Charlie Barker Memorial Service: May 17th from 1:00-3:00pm

Please join us for a celebration of Charlie's life at the pavilion inside Margaret Drake Elliott Park, located just North of Pere Marquette Park in Muskegon. Come join this time of sharing stories and memories and hopefully a few laughs. Light refreshments will be served. The pavilion is furnished with picnic tables, but if you prefer to bring your own lawn chair, please feel free.

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Call to Worship and *Unison Prayer* written by Lutheran Julia and adapted for worship.
RevGalBlogPals. <http://revgalblogpals.org/>

Temple Men: The next Men's Breakfast is on Thursday, May 28, at 8:30 a.m. at Whitlow's.

