



A Message From Your Pastor

In 2017, my husband embarked on a Sabbatical, and our family was blessed to spend seven weeks in Europe. It was the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, which added a unique flavor to our journey. We traversed through Scotland, where we delved into the life of John Knox. We then ventured into France and Switzerland, where John Calvin developed his theology and practice of ministry. Our pilgrimage continued in Germany, the birthplace of Martin Luther. We also made a stop in Rome to witness the grandeur of the Vatican and in Prague, where Jan Hus, a man who left an indelible mark on many reformers, met his martyrdom for his faith.

Our last full day in Europe was in Frankfurt. How surprised we were to find all the grocery stores (except those in the train station) and museums closed. But in the center of Frankfurt, a big celebration occurred: Whit Monday. What is Whit Monday? It's the day after Whit Sunday or Pentecost.

We associate Pentecost with the color red, representing the Holy Spirit's fire and power. However, in European church tradition, many would be baptized or confirmed on Pentecost, often wearing white. This symbolizes purity and the new life that the Holy Spirit brings. So Pentecost became "Whitsunday" and the Monday after "Whitmonday."

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I envied the practice of making Pentecost such a big deal that everyone needed to take Monday off to soak it in. After all, when the Holy Spirit descended on the believers, it fulfilled Christ's promise to his disciples that he would send a helper to them. We believe that the Holy Spirit is God and that the Holy Spirit creates a bond between us and Christ that can never be overcome. We believe it comes to us and empowers us to do things we could never imagine.

The Holy Spirit comes to us and enlightens us, giving us new eyes to see God's world and how we can proclaim the Good News to that world. It was the Holy Spirit that caused the first martyr, Stephen, to have the face of an angel as he proclaimed Christ's loving sacrifice even as he was being stoned to death.

This year, Pentecost comes on May 19th. Although I cannot grant you a day off on May 20th, I hope we can all reflect on the meaning and power of the Holy Spirit. I invite you to think about your own experiences with the Holy Spirit and how it has influenced your faith journey.



Upcoming Events



Rummage Sale



Saturday, May 4th, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.. Drop-offs begin on Monday, April 29th, after 2:00 p.m. The setup will be Friday, May 3rd, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. If you're interested in volunteering for the setup, please reach out to Cindy Kaman.

Ladies Who Lunch



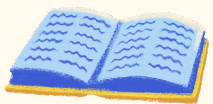
Ladies Who Lunch will meet on Friday, May 10th at 11:30 a.m. at the Mekong restaurant, Rt. 250 in Sandusky. Please Call Dawn at the church office or let Marcie Muntz know by May 8th if you will join us.

Mother's Day



Join us for a special Mother's Day fellowship hour after worship, on Sunday, May 12th!

Girlfriends in God



The Women's Bible study group has started again. We are studying "In the footsteps of the Savior" by Max Lucado. The Ladies meet every Wednesday night in the youth room at 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. All women of the church are invited.

Dates: May 1st, May 8th, No Bible study May 15th, May 22nd, May 29th, and June 5th.



Upcoming Events

June Sneak Peak

- Saturday, June 1st Young Life Car Wash
Church Parking Lot 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- Thursday, June 6th Red Cross Blood Drive - 12-7
- Fathers Day Sunday, June 16th
- * Thursday June 20th, First Day of Summer

Huron Community Churches Presents

VBS 2024

BIBLE CHAMPIONS

June 18-20, 9:30 am-11:30 am
at Huron United Methodist Church



SCAN HERE!

To register: scan the QR code, visit
Huronumc.org, or call (419) 433-3984

This FREE Vacation Bible School is for children who have
completed preschool through completed 4th grade.

Christ's Community Meal

Every Monday at 12:00 p.m. and the 2nd and 4th
Wednesday of the month at 5:00 p.m. (May 8th & 22nd)



Huron Helping Hands Food Pantry



Zion Lutheran Church is sponsoring a "Dine to Donate" on Tuesday, May 28th (the day after Memorial Day). Jim's Pizza Box has generously offered to donate 10% of the day's sales to the Huron Helping Hands Food Pantry.

DINE TO DONATE

Community Outreach sponsored
by Zion Lutheran Church

Tuesday, May 28th



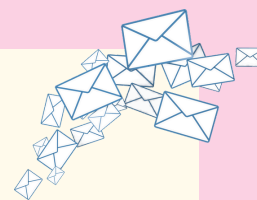
819 Main Street, Huron, MI

419-433-4463

11:00am – 9:00pm

10% of your Online, Carry-out & Dine-In orders will be donated to the Huron Helping Hands Food Pantry

Address updates



If you have moved within the past two years, please contact the church so we can verify that your correct address is in our directory. Thank you!



Schedules

Liturgist

May 5th - Communion Set up - Kathy Kirby

Communion Servers - Kathy Kirby, Sarah Blakeman, Jack Arthur, Marcia Arthur

Liturgist - Cynthia Brown Mathews

May 12th - Janet Mueller

May 19th - Karen Brown

May 26th - Wendy Quinn



Flowers

May 5th - Cynthia and Rick Mathews - In honor of Richard and Phyllis Mathews.

May 12th - Kathy Kirby - In honor of all mothers. Megan and Rich Bauman celebrating their 1st anniversary.

May 19th - Patti Smith for family and to the Glory of God.

May 26th - Wendy and Doug Quinn in celebration of our anniversary.



Counters



May 5th - Francesca Lendrum & Ellen Drumm

May 12th - Bob & Marcie Muntz

May 19th - Jack & Marcia Arthur

May 26th - John & Sarah Blakeman

Ushers



May 5th - Phillip Hopkins & Kitty Cunningham

May 12th - Marcie Muntz & Betty Reed

May 19th - Anne & Don Russell

May 26th - Kathy Kirby & Patti Smith

Church Office Hours

The Office will be closed Memorial Day, Monday May 27th.

Summer office hours will start June 1st

Monday - Wednesday 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Celebrations

Happy Birthday

May 3rd - Jane LaFace

May 4th - Carolyn Culbertson

May 8th - Alice Roehrs

May 11th - Tamara Boos

May 12th - Becky Koenig

May 13th - Sharon Carnal

May 19th - Bob Muntz

May 20th - Betsey Luipold, Stephanie Schipel, Joel Hagy

May 21st - Lee Marsh, Nick LaFace

May 22nd - Ann Pullano

May 29th - Tom Kirby

May 30th - John Bickell

May 31st - Genette Solomon



Thank you 

Thank you to David Asher, Pastor Sara, and James Hodsdon as they raised money for the Kay/Swanbeck family on Eclipse Day. Our congregation has raised \$1000 for the family, and \$200 in gift cards. Thank all of you for your generosity.

 **Class of
2024**

Do you have a child or grandchild (or great-grandchild) graduating from high school or college this year? Please contact the church office so we can honor them, and celebrate with you!



You know the story of Jesus turning water into wine at the wedding in Cana. (John 2:1-10) Did you ever realize his mother Mary gave us an example of prayer when she tells Jesus "They have no wine"? She must have been a close friend of the family because when she discovered the problem, she went directly to Jesus and told him exactly what she has found out. Talking to Jesus about anything is prayer. She also is very direct and succinct in that she uses just a few simple words. To pray is to tell Jesus what we lack, or see others lacking. Then she did nothing more. She knew Jesus would know just exactly what to do – he didn't need any help or suggestions. She knew she didn't have to influence Him or persuade Him to give these friends a helping hand. No one is so willing to answer prayer as He is! And finally, when Mary had presented her petition, she knew she had done her part. She was no longer responsible for the situation. It is up to Jesus how to help. Mary had no idea he would turn the water into wine, only that He would not be at a loss as to what to do. She did not have to waste anymore effort fretting about the situation. Be anxious for nothing, but pray for anything and be thankful for everything. (Phil. 4:6, abridged version). How different would your prayer life be if you prayed like Mary?

Please Pray For..

Ally Caudill, Harry Russell, Judy Hartley, Nancy Mayer, Kristine Wesler, Pat Marrion, John Nichols, Jr., Eileen Darby, Eldon Zimmer, Delores Hodsdon, Ron Harper, Jackie Metzger, Mike Bork, Sarah McCoy, Ward DeLamatre, Ann West, Tony and Barb Smith, Cameron James, Carol Kopkas, Rachel Leonard, Denny Velliquette, June Franduto, Paul Brown, Angela Belliveau, Brad Mason, Jim, David Wittmer, Gabe Phillips, Kerry Lynn, Marla Pederson, David Claxton, Nick LaFace, Rev. Clair Brewer, Sharon Carnal, Barb Gettman, Roberta Leimbach, Billie Urie, Roger and Barbara Gravlin, the friends and family of Cindy Gfell, the family of David Connerth.

Churches of Huron

Please Pray For Our Military

Dominic Parisi, Ben Delamatre,
Dan Work, and Emily Stellpflug.

5/5 - St. Peter Catholic Church -Father Doug Garand

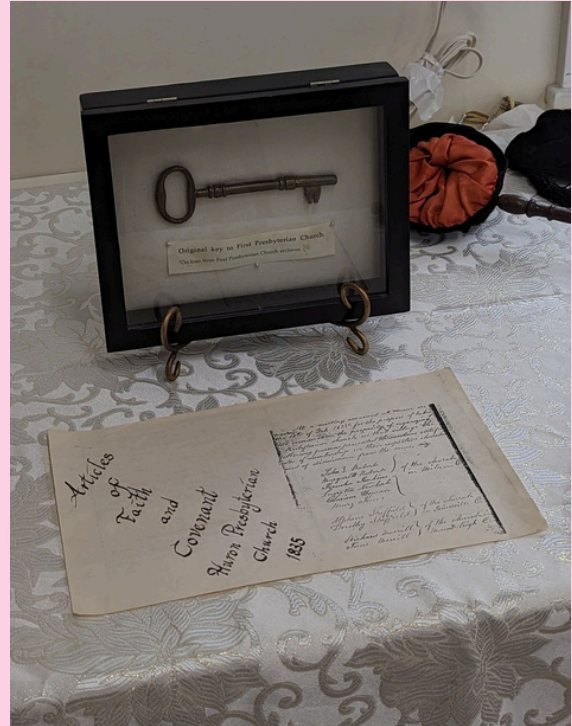
5/12 - Huron United Methodist Church - Pastor Pamela Sayre

5/19 - Zion Lutheran Church

5/26 - First Presbyterian Church - Pastor Sara Hodsdon

Heritage and Vision Sunday

Thank you to everyone who participated in Heritage and Vision Sunday. We enjoyed hearing the perspectives of several members about our church's core values. Thank you especially to Cindy Kaman for her mini history museum, and to Sarah Blakeman and Nurture and Mission for providing such wonderful desserts. Please continue praying for your TCI team as they continue the work of helping our congregation discern God's vision for us.



Next session meeting Wednesday, May 15th at 6:30 p.m.

Session Members

Francesca Lendrum , Cynthia Brown Mathews , Jack Arthur, Susan Martter, Marcie Muntz , Sarah Blakeman, Ellen Drumm, Deb Schippel, Doug Quinn, Clerk of Session, Marcia Arthur

Troop 31 News

An Eagle Scout Ceremony was held on Sunday, April 28th, at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary. We celebrated Aldon Dennis and Jack Zimmerman's wonderful achievement.

The Scouts took a trip to the Aviation Museum in Port Clinton



The school year may be ending, but Pack 31 is going to have a fun-filled summer. If you know any children, boys or girls, entering Kindergarten this fall, they can join us in some of our summer adventures. Let Pastor Sara know--she'll be happy to reach out!

Little Wonders Preschool

MRS. HARTNETT AND MRS. RAGERS CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS



Whats Happening

The students are learning about a chicken's life cycle, they currently have an incubator in the classroom with 12 chicken eggs inside. They will begin to start hatching the first week of May!



Important Dates

Morning with Mom!

Wednesday, May 1st at 8 a.m. Just like donuts with Dads, Moms will enjoy a morning of donuts and coffee with their little one.

LAST DAY

Last day of school will be Wednesday, May 22nd, they will walk to Lakefront Park and then return to school for a special treat!

Preschool Graduation



Graduation will take place on Thursday, May 23rd at 10:00 am. The ceremony will be both in-person and live-streamed on Little Wonders Facebook page.

Contact

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Amber Rager - Teacher

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littlewondershuron@gmail.com

REGISTRATION

2024/2025 Registration is open

MAY
2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 7:00 p.m. Scouts	2 9:00 a.m. Quilting Group 8:00 p.m. AA	3 9 a.m. - 12p.m. Rummage Sale Set up	4 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Rummage Sale
5 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Fellowship	6 12 p.m. Lunch 6 p.m. Scouts	7 7 p.m. AA	8 5:00 p.m Christ Community Meal 7 p.m. Scouts	9 9:00 a.m. Quilting Group 8:00 p.m. AA	10	11
12 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Fellowship	13 12 p.m. Lunch 6 p.m. Scouts	14 7 p.m. AA	15 6:30 p.m. Session 7 p.m. Scouts	16 9:00 a.m. Quilting Group 8:00 p.m. AA	17 Wedding Set up 4 - 6:30	18 Wedding 2:30 p.m.
19 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Fellowship	20 12 p.m. Lunch 6 p.m. Scouts	21 7 p.m. AA	22 Little Wonders Preschool - Last Day 5:00 p.m Christ Community Meal 7 p.m. Scouts	23 10 a.m. - Little Wonders Preschool Graduation 9:00 a.m. Quilting Group 8:00 p.m. AA	24	25
26 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Fellowship	27 Memorial Day -- office Closed 12 p.m. Lunch 6 p.m. Scouts	28 7 p.m. AA	29 7 p.m. Scouts	30 9:00 a.m. Quilting Group 8:00 p.m. AA	31	