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19th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

First United Methodist Church
October 15, 2017
10:00 A.M. Worship Service

PRELUDE

*HYMN "For the Beauty of the Earth" UMC Hymnal, No. 92
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH UMC Hymnal, No. 885
*PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST (Please take a moment to greet those around you.)

SPECIAL MUSIC

BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENTS

(This is a time to welcome newcomers in our midst, by writing your name, address, and other information in one of the red folders, and then passing it to the person next to you.)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE – All children are invited forward.

*HYMN	“Blessed Assurance”	UMC Hymnal, No. 369
*PSALTER	Psalm 23	UMC Hymnal, No. 137
LESSON	Isaiah 25: 1-9	Pew Bible, O.T. p. 619
EPISTLE	Philippians 4: 1-9	Pew Bible, N.T. pp. 186-187
GOSPEL	Matthew 22: 1-14	Pew Bible, N.T. pp. 22-23
SERMON		Rev. Dr. Phil Tousley
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE		
	Leader: Lord, in your mercy,	
	People: Hear our prayer.	
LORD’S PRAYER		

WE SHARE THE GRACE OF GOD WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY ***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN	“Victory in Jesus”	UMC Hymnal, No. 370
*BENEDICTION		
*POSTLUDE		

An asterisk (*) indicates to stand if you are able.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE INVITE ALL THOSE LISTENING TO VISIT OUR CHURCH WEBSITE – www.badaxefumc.org

CRY ROOM AND BATHROOMS- If you are new to our Church, you may not know that we have a cry room. If you feel that this could help you, it is located down the stairs at the back of the Church. We also have bathrooms located in the basement as well as on the main floor. If you need help locating them or anything else, please see an usher. Ushers are seated at the Northwest doors and the Southwest doors.

THE FLOWERS on the altar today are given by Johanna Farver in memory of Dale Farver.

STAFF/PASTOR PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE will meet today at 11:15 a.m. in the Conference Room.

YOUTH GROUP (8TH – 12TH grade) – will meet tonight from 5-7 p.m. at the Free Methodist Church.

THE DEADLINE for the November newsletter is early this month. Please email your news to Laurie Tousley at mrs_tousley@hotmail.com by Wednesday, October 18th.

THE APPLE PIE MARATHON IS HERE!!

Monday - 8 a.m. make crusts
Thursday – 8 a.m. peel apples (we hope to start pies by late afternoon)
Friday – 8 a.m. make pies

We need your help! Please plan to come for as little or as much time as you can. We provide on the job training. Our Apple Pie Marathon is A LOT of work, but it is filled with A LOT of blessings!

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE will meet next Sunday, October 22nd at 11:15 a.m. in the Conference Room.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Shoe Boxes are in the front of the Sanctuary and the front entryway, ready to be filled for a needy child. These boxes are presented with a message of God’s love, and an invitation to learn about Jesus. More than just a gift for a child who may never have received a gift before, it can make an eternal difference in their life. Instructions and labels are in each box. One thing missed: No Toothpaste or Candy is allowed this year, due to customs restrictions. Boxes are due back to the church by November 5th.

CHANCEL CHOIR AND HANDBELL CHOIR UPDATE - As you know, I was interim choir director during the last church year. The SPPRC has been hard at work trying to find a permanent Music Director but at this point have been unable to find someone. With Christmas not that far off, I'm suggesting a short-term commitment to do a little singing and ringing during the Christmas Season. What I'm proposing is this: we'd begin rehearsals on Wednesday, November 8th and we'd sing a few Sundays and ring one Sunday during December at the 10 a.m. service and of course Christmas Eve. Think about it, pray about it and let me know if you are interested in one of the following ways: call me at 989-315-2167, email me at tdlaity@comcast.net or call the church office at 269-7671. The thought of no choir music at Christmas is like Santa without his beard. I look forward to hearing from you. *Tom Laity*

BLUE WATER DISTRICT DAY - The online registration for the Blue Water District (BWD) Day - Conference, Ministry Fair, and Training is up and running. **The BWD Day will be held Saturday, November 4th at Lapeer: Trinity UMC from 8:30 AM to 4 PM.** Details can be found at: <http://events.michiganumc.org/event/2017bwdconference/>
Flyers are located at each door to the sanctuary.

HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE. If you can't hear everything that you would like to in church, give one a try. It is a small receiver about the size of a deck of cards and a thin cord with an earpiece that you insert into your ear. You can control the volume level to suit your needs. We have a member that uses them and says it works better than a hearing aid. You can get one by asking the sound booth attendant in the back of the sanctuary or asking an usher to get you one. They are sanitized after every use.

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS are available in the back of the sanctuary on the table by the stairway.

SERVING THE LORD TODAY: **Ushers:** Don Liedke, Lee McDowell, Mike & Mallory Klosowski; **Worship Leader:** Zac Eskau; **Greeters:** Leonard & Jill Iskow

SERVING THE LORD NEXT SUNDAY: Greeters: Tim & Michelle Straight
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<p>Giving to your church through your will is a good way to continue your support of your church beyond your lifetime. When your estate plan is prepared, consider including plans for a gift to your church.</p>
