

## Change for a Change

Our Change for a Change for February will go to Readers to Leaders. Our share of the conference goal is \$600 by May 1. To date we have collected \$266.00.



At the 2022 Michigan Annual Conference, the body voted overwhelmingly to support the Readers to Leaders fundraising campaign. The campaign runs from September 10, 2022, to May 1, 2023 and has a goal of raising \$500,000. These funds will support two ministries focused on education:

- Half will benefit the Liberia Scholarship Program of the Michigan Conference's Liberia Ministry Partners, and
- Half will benefit the Michigan Conference's Children's Defense Fund Freedom Schools Program.

## Soup, Sandwiches & Service of Prayer for Lent

On March 1st at 6:00 pm, and on the Wednesday evenings during Lent, we will be having a soup & sandwich supper followed by a Service of Scripture & Prayer. We still need volunteers to bring soup & sandwich fixings on March 15.



March 1st Hosts: Susan Protas & Jean Christie



**Tuesday  
February  
28**  
2:00 PM – 6:30 PM  
Helpful tip:  
Make sure to eat a healthy  
meal and drink plenty of  
water before donating.

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## Laingsburg United Methodist Church



*Nurturing disciples of Jesus Christ in intentional  
Christian community through outreach, fellowship,  
worship, discovery and service.*

- LUMC Missional Focus

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*First Sunday of Lent*

*If You Fall Down*

*Rev. Tiffany Newsom † February 26, 2023 † 10am*

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*Welcome to Laingsburg United Methodist Church*  
*We are happy that you're here!*

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**WELCOMING & GATHERING**

**PRELUDE** Minmin Sun

**CALL TO WORSHIP** *(by Dr. Lisa Hancock)*

Welcome pilgrims on the way to the cross.

**We are learning to follow Jesus.**

For those who feel Christ near,

**May we not turn away from the discomfort of the journey ahead.**

For those who feel as far from Christ as the desert is from the ocean,

**May we find Christ in the wilderness with us.**

For all of us who stumble and fall in our silence, indifference, and lack of generosity,

**May we reach for the hand of Christ, who raises us up to continue on the journey.**

Pilgrims on the way, come let us worship God!

**We come to worship God as we learn to live inside out! Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN**

"Sunday's Palms Are Wednesday's Ashes" TFWS 2138

**A TIME WITH YOUTH** "Sanctuary" TFWS 2164

**CHAPELAIRE CHOIR ANTHEM**

**INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

The Offertory

The Doxology (UMH 95) *(Stand as able)*

The Prayer of Dedication

**SCRIPTURE STORY** Matthew 4:1-11

**SERMON** *If You Fall Down* Pastor Tiffany

**HYMN** "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" UMH 269

**GUIDED AND PASTORAL PRAYER**

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN** "It Is Well with My Soul" UMH 377

**BLESSING**

**POSTLUDE** Minmin Sun

UMH = "United Methodist Hymnal"

TFWS = "The Faith We Sing"



Online Offering Plate

The Laingsburg United Methodist Church is an accepting Christian community seeking to make disciples of Jesus Christ by building heartfelt, nurturing, and supportive relationships with its members, its community, and all of God's people.

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*Everyone is welcome to stay after worship for a time of refreshments, conversations and community.*

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During our Worship Service, the nursery room is available for children, accompanied by a parent. Please know that ALL children are welcome in worship.

## Praying for Our Church

If you would like to be added to the prayer chain, you can email or telephone requests to Pat Hibbard ([hibbardlph@aol.com](mailto:hibbardlph@aol.com) or 989-834-2119), or contact the church office.

### Keeping Others in Prayer:

Ukraine	Shirley S.
Gary & Norma	Martha
Coralie	Dan's Family
Missy	Skip (Covid)
Irene	Family of Clyde Stanlake
Clint's parents	Judi
Emilee	Bode
Melanie	MSU shooting
<b>Additional Prayer List:</b>	Turkey & Syria earthquakes

### Birthdays and Anniversaries:

Feb. 28: Noah Brewer	Mar. 4: Hannah Sebenick
Mar. 1: Olivia Hill	Mar. 4: Roger Ramirez
Mar. 2: Jean Canning	

### Coffee Hour Hosts:

Feb. 26: Ed & Diana Carpenter
Mar. 5: Dave & Jessie Sebenick
Mar. 12: John & Joan Peck

(If you are not currently on the schedule for Coffee Hour and would be willing to help, please contact the church office.)

### Discover More Online:

Church Website: [www.Laingsburgumc.org](http://www.Laingsburgumc.org)  
Follow us at [Facebook.com/laingsburgumc](https://www.facebook.com/laingsburgumc)

### Contact the Church About Any Ministry or Program You're Interested in Learning More About

Phone: (517) 651-5531 Church Email: [Laingsburgumc@gmail.com](mailto:Laingsburgumc@gmail.com)

**Office Hours:** Monday – Thursday, 9:30am-2:30pm. Closed Fridays.

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Week of Sunday, February 26, 2023

### A Note about Wearing Masks:

Masks are no longer required, however, if you feel more comfortable wearing a mask, then you are encouraged to do so. If you are sick or have been in contact with someone who has tested positive for Covid-19, we invite you to participate in our online worship services. We encourage you to get your vaccine booster!

### The Ministry Week at a Glance

#### Sunday, February 26:

9:15 am Choir Rehearsal  
10:00 am Worship in the sanctuary  
11:00 am Coffee Hour—Table Talk: Endowment Fund

#### Monday, February 27:

1-3 pm Laingsburg Area Food Bank hours

#### Tuesday, February 28:

9-11 am Tuesday at Twilliger's. Come have coffee and chat with Pastor Tiffany.  
2-6:00 pm **Blood Drive at LUMC**  
7:00 pm Community Singers Rehearsal

#### Wednesday, March 1:

6:00 pm **Soup & Sandwich Supper followed by service of prayer**

#### Thursday, March 2:

10:00 am Bible Study 10:00 am  
6-8 pm Laingsburg Area Food Bank hours

#### Friday, March 3:

Office Closed

**New address directories are available on the table outside the sanctuary. Please call or email the office if you would like one emailed to you.**