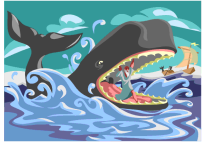


# SPLASH-Beach Party!



## VBS 2018



**July 15-19, 5:30-8:00 pm**  
**Ages 5-5th grade**  
**Bible stories, crafts, activities, and**  
**dinner! No charge!**

### OUR WEB PRESENCE

Don't forget that you can also learn more about our church, its ministry, and upcoming events online. Find us on our website ([laingsburgumc.org](http://laingsburgumc.org)), "Like" us on Facebook, and "Follow" us on Twitter (@LaingsburgUMC).

### BULLETIN/NEWSLETTER

#### DEADLINES

Please submit all info to church office by:  
**Wednesday** am for Sunday Bulletin and **15th** of the month for the Newsletter. Thanks!

If you know of someone who'd like a visit, phone calls, and/or cards, please inform the Church office by phone or email so we can promptly reply to this matter. Please also inform the "Care Group" (Jean Austin 651-5705)

**Office Hours:** M, T, W, TH: 9:30am - 1:30pm, closed Fridays

**Phone:** 517-651-5531      **Website:** [www.laingsburgumc.org](http://www.laingsburgumc.org)

**Church email:** [laingsburgumc@gmail.com](mailto:laingsburgumc@gmail.com)

**Pastor's email:** [pastorbrianwest@gmail.com](mailto:pastorbrianwest@gmail.com)

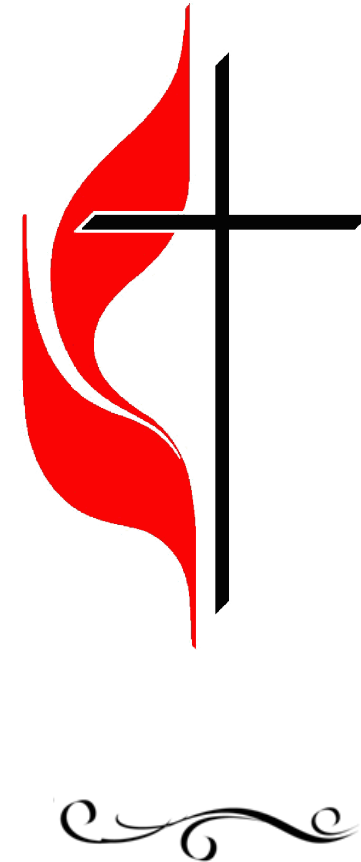
### CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAMS:

#### **WORSHIP LEADERSHIP**

- Pastor: Rev. Brian G. West
- Audio/Visual: Clint Hawks
- Choir Director: Jan Holyfield
- Faith Ringers Hand Bell Choir Director: Jerry Wagner
- Family Bells Director: Diana Carpenter
- Pianist: Chong Zheng
- Lay Leader: John Peck

#### **CHURCH STAFF**

- Pastor: Rev. Brian G. West
- Admin. Assistant: Karolyn Dawley
- Custodian: Linda Craig
- Worship Pianist: Chong Zheng



### *"Dare to Be a Wonderer"*

*How can taking time to wonder and marvel at the world around us teach us a little more about who God is? Might witnessing God's creativity help us also discover God's great love for creation?*

*Rev. Brian G. West . July 1, 2018 • 10am*

# *Welcome to Laingsburg United Methodist Church*

*We are happy that you're here!*

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## **MINISTRY PLUG-INS**

**GREETING** ~ Passing of the Peace (*Stand as able*)

**PRELUDE** ~ Lighting of the altar candles

## **TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION**

### **OPENING PRAYER**

**Unison:** God, I pray that you would gift to me - to us - a wonderful sense of wonder. A sense of wonder that is so indestructible - so unbreakable - that it will last me my whole life long! Let it stir my boredom until I can't sit still anymore. Let my obsession with the artificial things in my life fall away, and let my wondering at the joy of your creation, your being, and your presence be the source of my strength. Oh, God of all creation, let this be my prayer. Amen!

*Adapted from Rachel Carson's "The Sense of Wonder"*

### **OPENING HYMN** (*Stand as able*)

"God Is Here Today" TFWS 2049

### **CHILDREN'S MOMENT** "Where Children Belong" TFWS 2233

*All children are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary for a brief lesson with the pastor. Afterward, they will return to their seats with you.*

### **SPECIAL MUSIC** "Pumpkin Boogie" Hannah Sebenick

## **CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP AND GENEROSITY**

The Offertory

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

The Prayer of Dedication

## **PRAYERS OF JOYS AND CONCERNS**

Silent Meditation

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.

<b>SCRIPTURE STORY</b>	Matthew 7:7-11	Pew Bible pg. 685
	John 17:6-8	Pew Bible pg. 766

<b>SERMON</b>	"Dare to Be a Wonderer"	Pastor Brian
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## **HOLY COMMUNION**

<b>CLOSING HYMN</b> ( <i>Stand as able</i> )	"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"	UMH 298
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**BLESSING**  
*All children are welcome to come to the front of the sanctuary to help the pastor give a closing blessing to the congregation.*

UMH = "United Methodist Hymnal"

TFWS = "The Faith We Sing"

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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*Please join us for fellowship & coffee following worship*

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During our Worship Service, the nursery room is available for children through their 4th birthday. Please know that ALL children are welcome in worship.

## REQUESTING OR NEEDING PRAYER?

**PRAYER CHAIN** leader Pat Hibbard will receive prayer chain requests at hibbardlp@aol.com, 989 834-2119, or contact the church office.

**THE PRAYER TEAM** is always available to pray with you after service.

**KEEP IN PRAYER:** Missy Ginther, Lori Hart, Betty Starkweather, Wilma Stichler, Thelma Smith, Heather Teelander, Michael Chubb, Jason Chubb, Edul Hunt-Walsh, Dave Goeckel, Norma Parker, Beverly Rouse, Ed Parker.

**HOME BOUND:** Gloria Vanderhoof, Marilyn Baumgras

### VBS Sponsorships!

As we prepare for this year's Vacation Bible School, we have an opportunity for members of this church family to sponsor a child. This sponsorship will provide each participant with their very own Children's Bible and an accompanying "Get to Know Your Bible" book. A Sponsorship is \$30/child, and a sponsorship envelope can be found on the bulletin board across from the church kitchen. We are hoping to gather 20 sponsorships. Many thanks in advance!

### Orange Barrell Alert!

Grand River Rd. will be CLOSED from Woodbury to Woodhull beginning July 9 through at least July 16 for paving. Coming from the west, you can turn on Crum as usual.

Coming from the east, you can turn left on Doyle off Woodbury which will turn into First North St., then right on Crum.

Won't the street be great when they get all the construction finished?

It will just require a little more patience.



Be sure to see the camping tent and UMC camping information located in the narthex. There you'll also be able to contribute Change-for-a-Change to one of our mission team's missions: Camping Scholarships for Economically Vulnerable Campers. Today is the last day.



### The Missions Work Area

is collecting outer winter clothing (coats, hats, mittens, snow pants, etc.) for our Free Winter Clothing Store.

Our emphasis is on children's clothing, but we do accept adult sizes. Please place items in the green tubs under the name tag table.

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TODAY

- Worship 10:00 am

### MONDAY, JULY 2

- Bible Study 9:30 am
- Food Bank 1-3 pm
- Care Group 1:00 pm

### TUESDAY, JULY 3

- Pastor's Tuesday at Twilliger's

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 4

- Office Closed

**Happy Independence Day!**



### THURSDAY, JULY 5

- Food Bank 6-8 pm

### FRIDAY, JULY 6

- Office Closed

### SUNDAY, JULY 8

- Worship 10:00 am

## Upcoming

7/15-19: Vacation Bible School

### Birthdays and Anniversaries July 1-8

3: Roger & Sybil Curtis  
5: Thelma Smith  
6: Diane Nowlin

Is there anyone in the church who has building experience and is willing to help the Memorial Committee design the structure to hold the old bell? We would appreciate the help. Contact Susan Protas. Thanks.

### HEAD USHER:

July: Clyde Stanlake

### COFFEE HOUR:

7/1: Nancy Koerner

7/8: Roger & Sybil Curtis

### NURSERY:

7/1: Cheri Ramirez/Cathy Chubb

7/8: Lori Hart/Sebenicks