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#### 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).

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#### 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)

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

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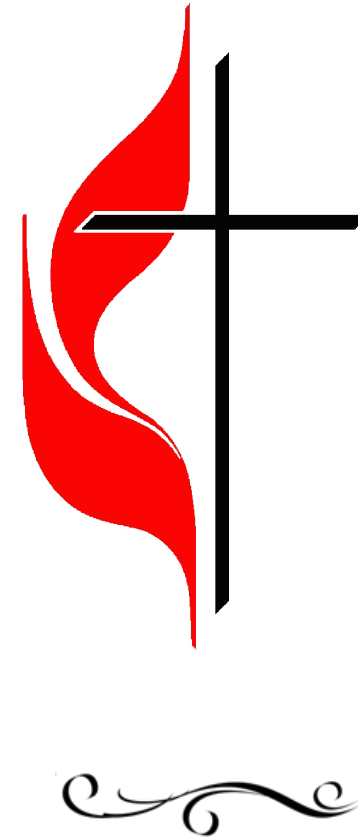
#### CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAMS:

##### **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



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#### *“Creed”*

*God's Holy Spirit is all around us, helping us to make a positive difference in this world and in our own lives.*

*Rev. Brian G. West . March 4, 2018 • 10am*

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# *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**

## **A FAITH STORY**

*During this time, a member of the congregation will share a brief story of how their faith has grown through their experience of God's Spirit.*

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

"Surely the Presence of the Lord"      UMH 328

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

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

## **ANTHEM**

Faith Ringers Handbell Choir

## **SCRIPTURE READING**

John 14:1-31

Pew Bible pg 763

## **SERMON**

Creed:  
"Holy Spirit"

Pastor Brian

## **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.

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

"Spirit Song"

UMH 347

*During Holy Communion, we will gather in a large circle around the sanctuary. We will receive communion. The person to your left will offer you a piece of bread and the cup. Simply dip your bread into the grape juice, eat, and then take the loaf and cup to serve the person to your right.*

## **BLESSING**

*All children are welcome to come to the center of the sanctuary, in the middle of the circle, 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, Coralie George, Carl George, Edul Hunt-Walsh, Dave Goeckel, Norma Davis, the family of Mindy Haynes.

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



Time to  
Spring Ahead

Remember to set your clocks  
ahead one hour on Saturday night  
so you won't be late for church!

### **UMCOR Sunday**

March 11, 2018

On this special Sunday, we give generously to cover the operational and administrative costs associated with UMCOR's relief efforts. This allows UMCOR to apply all other incoming donations directly to the specified relief efforts such as tornadoes in Oklahoma, a tsunami in Japan, flood recovery in Louisiana, hurricanes Harvey, Irma & Maria, AIDS epidemic in Zimbabwe. UMCOR will be able to offer aid in Jesus' name to those who suffer because you gave!

### *Memory Verse* 3/4/2018

In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God. The Word was with God in the beginning. Everything came into being through the Word, and without the Word, nothing came into being. What came into being through the Word was life, and the life was the light for all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness doesn't extinguish the light.

John 1:1-5

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TODAY

- Children's Sunday School 9:00 am
  - Worship 10:00 am

### MONDAY, MAR 5

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

### TUESDAY, MAR 6

- Pastor's Tuesday at Twilliger's
  - Quilters 9:30 am

### WEDNESDAY, MAR 7

- Handbell Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm
- Alcoholics Anonymous (Women's Group) 7:30 pm

### THURSDAY, MAR 8

- Food Bank 6-8 pm

### FRIDAY, MAR 9

- Office Closed

### SATURDAY, MAR 10

**REMEMBER TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS  
AHEAD!**

### SUNDAY, MAR 11

- Choir Rehearsal 9:00 am
- Children's Sunday School 9:00 am
  - Worship 10:00 am
  - UMCOR Sunday**
  - Trustees 11:00 am
  - Youth Group 5:30 pm

### COFFEE HOUR:

3/4: Larry & Henrietta Sparkes

### NURSERY:

3/4: Dave & Jessie Sebenick

3/11: Troy & Katrina Hill

3/11: Dan & Stephanie Brook

## Upcoming

3/11: Daylight Savings Time begins  
3/11: UMCOR Sunday  
3/12: Finance Meeting 7:00 pm  
3/12: Church Council 8:00 pm  
3/13: UMW 10:00 am

## Birthdays and Anniversaries Mar 4-11

4: Hannah Sebenick  
4: Roger Ramirez

### HEAD USHER:

March: Harold Walters