



A note from Karolyn:

I enjoyed worshipping with you last Sunday. Although I'm here during the week, it was different to be here on Sunday for worship and fellowship (and singing). Thank you so much for the beautiful Study Bible and all the kind words of appreciation. I consider you all my second church family and love working here. Bless you all!

Karolyn

**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), "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

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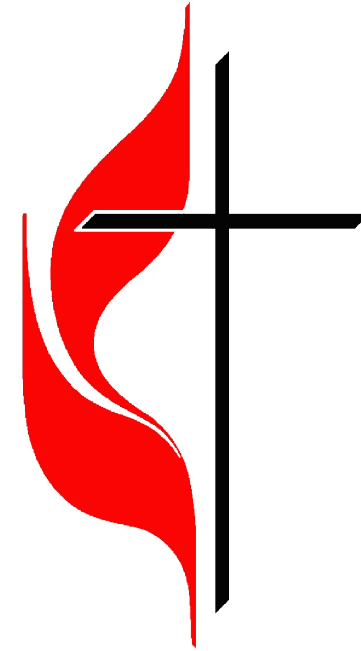
**CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAMS:**

**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



*Refrigerator Theology:  
"Stepping Out"*

*Rev. Brian G. West . May 27, 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

### A SOCIAL CREED (*Stand as able*)

Unison: We believe in God, Creator of the world; and in Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of creation. We believe in the Holy Spirit, through whom we acknowledge God's gifts, and we repent of our sin in misusing these gifts to idolatrous ends. We affirm the natural world as God's handiwork and dedicate ourselves to its preservation, enhancement, and faithful use by humankind. We joyfully receive for ourselves and others the blessings of community, sexuality, marriage, and the family. We commit ourselves to the rights of men, women, children, youth, young adults, the aging, and people with disabilities; to improvement of the quality of life; and to the rights and dignity of all persons. We believe in the right and duty of persons to work for the glory of God and the good of themselves and others and in the protection of their welfare in so doing; in the rights to property as a trust from God, collective bargaining, and responsible consumption; and in the elimination of economic and social distress. We dedicate ourselves to peace throughout the world, to the rule of justice and law among nations, and to individual freedom for all people of the world. We believe in the present and final triumph of God's Word in human affairs and gladly accept our commission to manifest the life of the gospel in the world. Amen.

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

"Hungry (Falling on My Knees)" Screen

### 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.*

**ANTHEM** Family Bells

## 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.

## SCRIPTURE STORY "Esther: The Queen of Beauty and Courage"

**SERMON** Refrigerator Theology: Pastor Brian  
"Stepping Out"

## CLOSING HYMN (*Stand as able*)

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission" UMH 584

## 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.

*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.

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

### What do Nachos and Ice Cream have in common?



On Sunday, June 10, we will be celebrating and appreciating the teachers we adopted for the year.

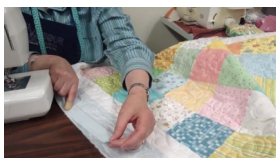
After the worship service that morning, we will be sharing all-you-can-eat nachos and ice cream as a thank-you to our teachers. Please bring your favorite ice cream to share. Nachos and ice cream toppings will be provided.



The Quilters have a quilt in the narthex for a silent auction.

Proceeds will go towards the Building Fund.

Today is the last day for bids, and the winner will be announced on June 3



We are looking for volunteers to take some coffee hour dates that are open this summer.



Open dates are:  
August 5 and September 30.

We also could use a couple of substitutes who could fill in as needed.

Please contact the church office or Sandy Turek (517 420-1343) if you can help.

Thanks for helping with this time of fellowship and welcome to our members and guests.

From summer camps for children and adults, to campgrounds where you can bring your RV or rent a cabin, there is summer fun for everyone at one of our Michigan Area United Methodist Camps. There are still a few brochures at the Welcome Center or go to

[www.umcamping.org](http://www.umcamping.org)



## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TODAY

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

### MONDAY, MAY 28

- Office Closed

**Memorial Day**



### TUESDAY, MAY 29

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

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 30

- Alcoholics Anonymous (Women) 7:30 pm

### THURSDAY, MAY 31

- Food Bank 6-8 pm

### FRIDAY, JUNE 1

- Office Closed

### SUNDAY, JUNE 3

- Choir Rehearsal 9:00 am
- Children's Sunday School 9:00 am
  - Worship 10:00 am
- Youth Group Swim Party 4-7 pm at the Hawks' home

## Upcoming

5/28: Memorial Day-office closed  
5/29: Quilters 9:30 am

### Birthdays and Anniversaries May 27-June 3

27: Henrietta Sparkes  
29: Sandy Turek  
29: Marilyn Baumgras  
2: Matt & Lori Wagner  
3: Abby Meder  
3: Matt Wagner

June 10 will be Graduation Sunday. Please contact the church office if you know someone affiliated with the church who is graduating. We want to be sure and honor them!

### HEAD USHER:

May: Lois Hartwick & Skye Davis  
June: Sebenick Family

### COFFEE HOUR:

5/27: Donna Wolfrom/Gwen Ginther 6/3: Tom & Sandy Turek

### NURSERY:

5/27: Sebenick Family

6/3: ?