

### Noisy Offering

During Sunday worship in September, the children will pass their metal buckets for our noisy mission offering. The Missions Work Area has selected Heifer International to receive your donations this year.

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

Please place items in the green tubs under the name tag table. We will continue to collect items for the Free Store in October.

### 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

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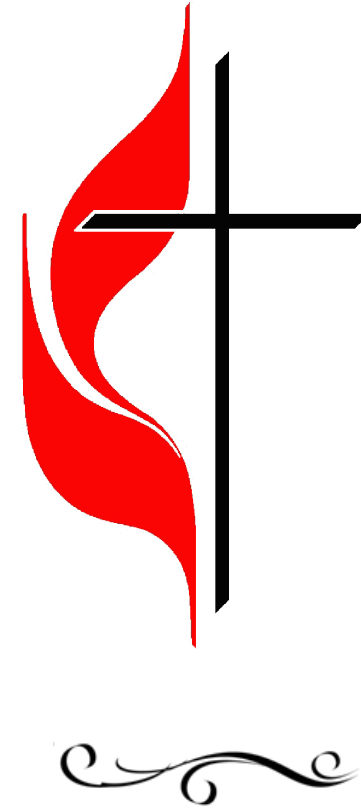
### CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAMS:

#### **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:
- 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
- Missionary to PUMC:  
Diana Carpenter



### *Full: "Growing Grace"*

*We're not done when we say yes. Yes is just when we decide that we're going to allow God to water our seeds of possibility.*

*Rev. Brian G. West . September 30, 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 HYMN** (*Stand as able*)      "In Christ Alone"      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.*

## **NOISY OFFERING**

**ANTHEM**      Faith Ringers Handbell Choir

## **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**      Ephesians 3:16-21      Pew Bible pg. 828

**PREPARING SONG**      "Grace Alone"      TFWS 2162

**SERMON**      Full:      Pastor Brian  
"Growing Grace"

**CLOSING HYMN** (*Stand as able*)  
"Where He Leads Me"      UMH 338

## **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 hibbardlph@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, Kate Plont, Pastor Brian & family on the loss of his father.

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



### Budget Requests

The Finance Committee is preparing the budget for 2019. If your Ministry Work Area wants to submit a budget request, please turn it into the office or to Dave Sebenick by Oct. 31.

### Chicken Dinner (What?)

Our friends at Pittsburg United Methodist Church are hosting a Chicken Dinner on **Sunday, Oct. 7** from 12:00-3:00 at the Bennington Township Hall, 5849 S. M-52, Owosso. Let's share dinner with friends and support part of our Laingsburg Parish.

### Big Invite Sunday World Communion Day

Next Sunday, October 7 is World Communion Sunday.

In the United Methodist Church, we believe that the Sacrament of Holy Communion is meant for everyone. You don't need to be a member of this Church or of any church. All you need is a desire to experience God's love and grace in an amazing way—maybe even for the first time. Make sure to invite someone to come and experience what we're about here at Laingsburg UMC!

### The Core Youth Group

A **special event** tonight. All youth grades 6-12, and their families, are invited to Peacock Road Family Farm from 4-8 pm for a fun afternoon. At 7:30 a campfire worship service will be held.



## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TODAY

- Children's Sunday School 9:00 am
  - Worship 10:00 am
  - Pink Envelopes*
- Missions Work Area 11:00 am
- Youth Group 4:00-8:00 pm at Peacock Rd. Family Farm

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 1

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

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2

- Pastor's Tuesday at Twilliger's
  - Quilters 9:30 am
- Tuesday Tutoring 3:15-4:30 pm

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3

- Handbell Rehearsal 7:00 pm
- Alcoholics Anonymous (Women) 7:30 pm

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4

- Food Bank 6-8 pm

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5

- Office Closed

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6

- Larry Wagner's Birthday Open House 1:00-4:00 in the Fellowship Hall

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7

- Choir Rehearsal 9:00 am
- Children's Sunday School 9:00 am
  - Worship 10:00 am
- Pittsburg UMC Chicken Dinner 12-3

## Upcoming

- 9/30: Special Youth Event 4-8 pm at Peacock Rd Farm
- 10/2: Tuesday Tutoring Begins!
- 10/7: Chicken Dinner for PUMC
- 10/8: Finance Meeting 7 pm
- 10/8: Church Council 8 pm

## Birthdays and Anniversaries Sept 30-Oct 7

- 2: Jeana Parker
- 2: Jerry Wagner
- 3: Troy & Katrina Hill
- 5: Larry Wagner

All are invited to share in an 80th Birthday Open House for Larry Wagner on Saturday, Oct. 6 from 1:00-4:00 in the Fellowship Hall.

### HEAD USHER:

September: Duane Ginther  
October: Susan Protas

### COFFEE HOUR:

9/30: Duane & Glenna Ginther      10/7: Carolyn Morse/Susan Protas

### NURSERY:

9/30: Dave & Jessie Sebenick      10/7: \_\_\_\_\_