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Heavenly Father, we lift up these people and ask for your healing touch on their lives.



Pat, Debbie E., Sherry. Linda, Deb P., Marie, Katie F., Terry, Kristen, Evie, Sue, Bob (terminal cancer), David (cancer), Brian, and Greyson

Continued prayers for members: our shut-ins including Lila and Roy, Ruth, Shirley, Lisa G., Sheila, Pat and Pete, John and Dolores, and Rosemary, Joe, Theresia, Barb K. (in rehab after knee replacement), and Gary Baker.

Janet Dey has moved to her daughter's house in Sutton's Bay. Janet's new address is 10121 East Hilltop Road Sutton's Bay, Mi. 49682. Janet loves getting mail.

We offer sincere sympathies to the Barker family upon the passing of Paula's daughter.

Prayers for all we keep in our hearts that God continues to watch over them.





Janet Jones	6-Aug
Judy Santeiu	12-Aug
Raul Torres	20-Aug
Alexander Hurst	23-Aug
Peggy Flacks	23-Aug
Kimberly Beels	27-Aug



### Bed in Summer

by Robert Louis Stevenson, 1850 –1894

In winter I get up at night And dress by yellow candlelight. In summer, quite the other way, I have to go to bed by day.

I have to go to bed and see
The birds still hopping on the tree,
Or hear the grown-up people's feet
Still going past me in the street.

And does it not seem hard to you, When all the sky is clear and blue, And I should like so much to play, To have to go to bed by day?

Some things never change. The childhood injustice of being forced out of bed on cold, dark winter mornings and being forced into bed before sunset of a summer evening. Robert Louis Stevenson remembers the childhood experience just as I did years ago, and likely children are this summer as well. Would that the experience of injustice remain that innocent for everyone.

But we delight in the days of summer, do we not, when family gathers and the embracing warmth greets us outdoors and the cicadas trill their harsh cry and squirrels chase through the trees (we watched a squirrel carry a pizza slice half as long as himself, up, up the tree to who knows where. And where did he find it, not from our yard, we know.)

May you relax into this last month of the season God has given us to let down our guard against the cold, to take a break from the rigors of the school and church calendars and to bask in the blessing of the good creation given us by our Creator God.

"But ask the animals, and they will teach you, the birds of the air, and they will tell you; ask the plants of the earth, and they will teach you, and the fish of the sea will declare to you.

Who among all these does not know that the hand of the LORD has done this?

In the Lord's hand is the life of every living thing and the breath of every human being. Job 12:7-10 NRSV



Participation in the life of a church is serving God. If you would like to help on any of these teams, please let the church office know.

Date	Leader	Counting Team	Usher Team	Acolytes
08/05	Nyssa Hargett	1	2	Αva
08/11	Malcolm McBryde	2	3	Darren
08/18	Nancy Wolter	3	4	Emily
08/25	Carolyn Davidson	1	1	Imrielle
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Leaders are needed as substitutes. If you are willing, please tell Carol

Usher Teams			
Team 1	Jeff Teichman, Bill Cowen and Josh Beels		
Team 2	Mary Deykes, Erik Domino, John Peters		
Team 3	Chester Parys, Hawley Harmon, Chris Domino		
Team 4 Pam Parys, Dennis Kapelanski, Malcolm McBryde			
Counter Teams			
Team 1	John Bates, Tom Morgan		
Team 2	Mary Deykes, Jeff Teichman, Erik Domino		
Team 3	Carol Morgan, John Peters		

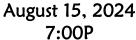
Counters and Ushers are needed. Please prayfully consider volunteering. Jobs are not hard and can be done while you are here at church anyhow.



Sunday Morning – 9A Choir Practice (Choir Room)

Tuesday Mornings – 10A PW Craft Circle







August 8, 2024 6:00P

Property Committee	1st Sunday of the Month	11:30A
Worship Committee	08/01	7P
Finance Committee	08/14	7P
Visioning Committee	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the Month	7P
Christian Education	4th Wednesday of the Month	7P



# Our Community Outreach Commitment

Radio Club Third Tuesday of each month at 7P

AA Meetings Monday 8P

Tuesday 8P Wednesday 7P Thursday 7:30P

Friday 8P Sunday 8P

Overeaters Anonymous 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month 1-2 PM

Scouts Troop 77284 Monday 5:30P

Troop 1841 off-site



# Session Highlights in June 2024 Carol Morgan, Bookkeeper

Income	Actual June	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	\$over/ (under) YTD
Pledge Giving	8688.47	58272.30	53440.98	4831.32
Non-Pledge	3282.00	16450.41	12292.50	4157.91
Other General Fund Income	3201.96	11146.32	7116.48	4029.84
Total General Fund Income	15172.43	85869.03	72849.96	13019.07
Other Income (non-budget)	2185.18	20745.35		
Total All Fund Income	17357.61	106614.38	72849.96	33764.42
Expenses	Actual April	Actual 2024	Budget YTD	\$(over)/ under
General Fund Expense	11272.97	80737.68	79870.08	867.60
Other Expense	623.82	9080.67		
Total All Fund Expense	11896.79	89818.35	79870.08	9948.27
General Fund Net Profit/Loss	3899.46	5131.35	12151.47	(3540.15)
All Fund Net Profit/(Loss)	5460.82	16796.03	(7020.12)	(3540.15)

No Meeting July 2024



Board of Deacons No Meeting in July Malcolm McBryde, Secretary



Our last meeting was held later in the month, July 6 with four members attending. We continue to work on various projects. We completed 15 bags to be used by the VBS for school packs for the Church World Service.

Looking forward, we plan to host the Scout Troop 1841 in August to teach them how to sew a pillowcase.

Our next meeting is Saturday Aug. 3, 10 am to 4 pm, as always, we extend an invitation to anyone who would like to join us and learn more about our group.

## **New Pictorial Directory**



Session has authorized a NEW pictorial directory.

We **WILL NOT** be using a company such as LifeTouch as we did the last time.

We have the talent and the technology to do this on our own. This is where you can help. We are asking each of you...member or friend, to submit a photo of yourself or your family to the office. Please indicate the names of everyone in the photo. During your upcoming vacation, this will be a great opportunity to take a family shot. Casual pictures are encouraged, but not mandatory. If you can send a photo electronically, it is even better. Submitted photos will be scanned and returned to you. We need 100% participation to make this a success. If you cannot submit a photo, a team of dedicated people will take your picture either here at church or a home visit can be arranged.

Will you be a part of this project?

Get to know who people are!

Thank you



The list for Crop Walk hygiene bag items needed are below. Your support in purchasing these items is very important. Of course, a monetary donation towards supplies is always acceptable.

Our church will be participating in a Church World Service projects this fall.

The Mission committee is participating in the Crop Walk, as we always do. The Crop Walk will be held at the Ben Celani Park located at 7 Mile and Wayne Rds. In Livonia on October 13th. We will still be doing the pledge walking part which you will hear more about soon, but there is a big change. The committee is trying something new. The first thing is having the walk somewhere other than a church. The park offers a 1/2-mile walking course. Our hope is to outreach to more churches and organizations in our area to participate and donate. The second thing is that after the walk is over, we will put together Hygiene kits for CWS. Our goal is at least 50 kits. So mark your calendars for Oct. 13th for Crop Walk and please donate items from the lists below. Each Hygiene Kit will include:

- One Hand towel measuring 15x28' (no fingertip, bath, dish or micro-fiber towels.
- One washcloth
- One wide-tooth comb 6" in length. (no rattails, no pocket combs or picks
- One fingernail or toenail clipper
- One bath-size bar of soap in its original packaging
- 10 Standard size bandages

### Yay for Sunday School!!

We are so blessed to announce the need for Sunday School volunteers.

As more children are coming to worship God and learn about their Savior, our faithful teachers are ready and willing to continue the loving ministry they have offered over many years. More kids means more help would be welcome, however.

If you love children and the Lord, please consider offering to help out as a teacher, teacher substitute, classroom helper or nursery volunteer.

You can contact Christian Education director, Pam P. or any of the teachers or staff.

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Jesus, (Matthew 19:14) Do you like baseball? Maybe not the Detroit Tigers at the moment but...



Jeff Teichman and the Lodge Pingree #366 (Czechoslovak Society of America Fraternal Life) is inviting anyone interested in attending their Annual Tiger Baseball Event on Wed. September 11th at 6:40P. Tickets are \$20 Upper Deck Section 212.

If you are interested, contact Jeff at 734-751-8013

PW is asking for any help you can give them in setting up for the Rummage Sale. They will be working Monday through Wednesday from around 9 to 4P. If you can help, just come and they will get you started.





The Mission of Focus Hope!

Recognizing the dignity and beauty of every person, we pledge intelligent and practical action to overcome racism, poverty, and injustice. And to build a metropolitan community where all people may live in freedom, harmony, trust and affection. With special consideration for history, economic station, place, culture, faith, sexual orientation, gender, and race, we affirm this pledge. - January, 2024

See Sharon Osmond if you are interested in helping out.

May the WILL of GOD take you, where the GRACE of GOD will keep you, where the arms of God will support you, where WISDOM of GOD will teach you, and may the POWER of GOD protect you teday and all of your temerrows.

Sun		Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	28	29	30	31	1	2	3
					9am - All Star	8pm - AA - SH	10am - Sewing Hope - SH
					7pm - Worship		1pm - Overeaters Anon
					7:30pm - AA Group - SH		
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
10am - Worship		9am - Rummage Sale	9am - Rummage Sale	9am - Rummage Sale	9am - Rummage Sale	9am - Rummage Sale	9am - Rummage Sale
8pm - AA - SH		5:30pm - Troop 77284	10am - Craft Circle	6pm - Adult Bible Study	6pm - Deacons Meeting		2pm - Hargett Bday party
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
10am - Worship		9am - All Star	9am - All Star	9am - All Star	9am - All Star	8pm - AA - SH	Car Show
8pm - AA - SH		5:30pm - Troop 77284	10am - Craft Circle	6pm - Adult Bible Study	7pm - Session Meeting -		1pm - Overeaters Anon
		8pm - AA Group SH	8pm - AA	7pm - AA - SH	7:30pm - AA Group - SH		
				7pm - Finance Committee			
	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
10am - Worship		9am - All Star	9am - All Star	9am - All Star	9am - All Star	8pm - AA - SH	
8pm - AA - SH		5:30pm - Troop 77284	10am - Craft Circle	6pm - Adult Bible Study	7:30pm - AA Group - SH		
		8pm - AA Group SH	7pm - Radio Club - SH	7pm - AA - SH			
			8pm - AA	7pm - Visioning			
	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
10am - Worship		9am - All Star	9am - All Star	9am - All Star	9am - All Star	8pm - AA - SH	
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				7pm - Christian Educaiton			