

Central
and
Algonquin
United Methodist Churches

Mission Statement:
**Connecting all people to God by building bridges of caring,
outreach, and acceptance.**



Sunday, July 3, 2022

Central and Algonquin UMC's Worship Gathering
July 3, 2022, at 10:30 am

Welcome to our worship celebration!

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*Indicates please stand on your feet or in your heart.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PRELUDE *Meditations on "Materna"* Konkel, Southbridge, Smith

INTROIT *He Has Made Me Glad* FWS #2270

WELCOME

AN ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION OF AN APPOINTMENT²

Leader: Dear friends, today we welcome Pastor Marty Johnston, who has been appointed to serve as our pastor.

Leader: Pastor Marty, you have been sent to live among us as a bearer of the Word of God; a minister of the Sacraments; and a sustainer of the love, order, service and discipleship of the people of God.

Pastor: Today I affirm this commitment in the presence of this congregation.

Leader: Brothers and sisters in Christ, as a people committed to participate in the ministries of the Church by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, and your service, will you who celebrate this new beginning support and uphold Pastor Marty and his wife Tina in these ministries?

ALL: We affirm our commitment to support you with our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness.

Leader: How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger.

ALL: who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation.

HYMN *Glory Be to the Father* UMH 71

Leader: Almighty God, you still call us to go into your service and spread the message of the salvation of your Son.
Bless richly, we pray, your servant, Pastor Marty's entrance into our fellowship.
Fill him with the power of your Holy Spirit and let him find with us an open door for the Word.
We also pray for your church on earth.
Equip us all with a spirit of willingness, that we with courage can witness about you by the profession of our mouths and through our way of living.

Presenter: Pastor Marty, accept this Bible and be among us as one who proclaims the Word. **Amen.**
Pastor Marty, takes this water, and baptize new Christians in this place. **Amen.**
Pastor Marty, take this bread and cup, and keep us in communion with Christ and his Church. **Amen.**

ALL: Lord God, bless the ministries of your Church. We thank you for the variety of gifts you have bestowed upon us. Draw us together in one Spirit, that each of us may use our differing gifts as members of one body. May your Word be proclaimed with faithfulness, and may we be doers of your Word and not hearers only. As we who have died and risen with Christ in baptism gather at his table and then scatter into the world, may we be one in service to others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

One: I will extol you, O Lord, for you have lifted me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.
All: O Lord, my God, I cried to you for help, and you healed me.
One: O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol,
All: restored me to life from among those gone down to the pit.
One: Sing praises to the Lord, O his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.
All: Surely the Lord's anger is but for a moment; the Lord's favor is for a lifetime.
One: Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.
All: As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved."
One: By your favor, O Lord, you had established me as a strong mountain;
All: you hid your face, I was dismayed.
One: To you, O Lord, I cried, and to the Lord I made supplication:
All: "What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the pit?"
One: Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?
All: Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!"
One: You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth and girded me with gladness, that my soul may praise you and not be silent.
All: O Lord, my God, I will give thanks to you forever. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

Come, We that Love the Lord
(verses 1, 2, & 4)

UMH 732
ST. THOMAS

PASTOR'S OPENING PRAYER

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

SCRIPTURE READING 2 Kings, 5:1-14

CHOIR ANTHEM *Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above* A. LOVELACE

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

SERMON “*Blessings and Peace*”

INVITATION TO OFFERING

HOLY COMMUNION

In the United Methodist Church, we practice “Open Communion” which means that anyone who is seeking a relationship with God is invited to receive Communion.

INVITATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION³

One: Merciful God, whose care never ceases, we come to you as we are.

ALL: We are tired from trying to do more than we can manage.

We are anxious about problems which go unresolved.

One: We are worried about events beyond our control.

We do not easily let go .

ALL: For mistakes we cannot redeem, for tasks left undone, for uncertain goals, we need your forgiveness and ask for your understanding.

One: For recovery of strength and enthusiasm, we pray for your Spirit.

ALL: For fullness of life, generous hearts, and contented souls, we pray to be followers of Jesus. In your mercy, restore us and lead us.

Moment for Silent Reflection

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: ...And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Pastor: ...And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Through your eternal Word Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.** And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION⁴

Pastor: What shall we say after reception of God's gracious gift?

ALL: Loving God, we thank you from the depth of our hearts for your great love for us as expressed in the life, death, and resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ. May we take this love we have received and share it with whomever we meet on our journey in the days ahead, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

UMH 95
OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION¹

Bountiful God, the harvest is plentiful,
but the laborers are few.
May the offerings we bring before you this day
be a sign of our commitment
to labor in your vineyard.

May the gifts we share with the world
reflect our commitment
to bring your kingdom here on earth
as it is in heaven. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CLOSING HYMN

Here I Am, Lord

UMH 593
HERE I AM, LORD

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE *America the Beautiful*

UMH 696

POSTLUDE

Ebenezer

arr. L. SMITH

*UMH—The United Methodist Hymnal

*TFWS—The Faith We Sing

Organist: Pat Deatrick

Liturgists: Sherry Hutchins

Music Director: Cathy Wilkinson

Admin. Assist: McKenzy Sebastian

Video Camera: Bob Vincent

Ushers: Tom Brown, Kelley Bunker

Nursery Staff: Mallory Baier

Pastor: Marty Johnston

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Announcements – July 3, 2022

JULY LOVE OFFERING WILL BE FOR HOSPICE

On-line hosts are STILL needed – This is an easy job!

It can be done from your phone or laptop. The same person has done this for many months and finding others to help would be much appreciated!

If you could take one or two Sundays a month, please let the church office or Cathy Wilkinson know. Thank you!

FRESH FLOWERS!

If you have a flower garden that you would be willing to share a bouquet from for the altar for Sunday's service – please bring it along. Thank you!

The "Welcome Basket" committee (part of the Outreach Missions program) will be assembling welcome baskets for our new Coast Guard families arriving this summer as a welcome to Sault Ste. Marie area. Along with the new Coast Guard friends, we would also like to welcome any new families moving into the Sault area. If you know of a family new to the area, please contact the office so that we can welcome them also.

A big part of the basket is the hand-crafted items from our congregation. If you would like to donate any hand-made items such as crocheted dish clothes, scrubbers, notepads or notecards, please place them in the box marked "Welcome Baskets" in the north Narthex.

Boxes for Hygiene Kits are located at the north and south Narthex's!

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, JULY 4TH and 5TH
in honor of the holiday!
HAPPY 4TH OF JULY EVERYONE!**



PLEASE JOIN US THIS MORNING FOR COFFEE AND CAKE TO CELEBRATE
PASTOR MARTY AND TINA JOINING OUR CHURCH!

*Financial gifts can be mailed to Algonquin UMC or Central UMC at:
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