

Calendar of Events

<u>Sixth Sunday after Pentecost</u>	July 16, 2017
Service of Worship - Sanctuary	10:00 a.m.
Fellowship - Baumann Fellowship Hall	11:00 a.m.
Anderson Family Reunion - Fellowship Hall	12:00 noon
<u>Monday, July 17</u>	
Paint and Palette - Fellowship Hall	10:00 a.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Blue Door Room	8:00 p.m.
<u>Tuesday, July 18</u>	
Newsletter Deadline	
Sunshine Sustainability Committee - Blue Door Room	4:30 p.m.
<u>Wednesday, July 19</u>	
Summer Bible Study - Parlor	12:30 p.m.
<u>Thursday, July 20</u>	
<u>Friday, July 21</u>	
Alcoholics Anonymous - Blue Door Room	8:00 p.m.
<u>Saturday, July 22</u>	
Recital - Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall	3:00 p.m.
<u>Sunday, July 23</u>	
Service of Worship - Sanctuary	10:00 a.m.
Fellowship - Baumann Fellowship Hall	11:00 a.m.
VBS decorating of Fellowship Hall following fellowship	
<u>Monday, July 24</u>	
Exterior Painting begins	
Paint and Palette - Fellowship Hall	10:00 a.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous - Blue Door Room	8:00 p.m.

Help Wanted...The United Church of Christ, Midland is scheduled to assemble SHARE Lunches at the Salvation Army on Waldo Avenue on August 14th through August 17th. Those will be the last four days of the summer program.

To help, please sign up on the sheet across from the church office. Please consider joining in the fun for an hour to an hour and a half beginning at 8:30 a.m. any of these days. If you have questions, Sondi Geminder would be happy to help you.



Rev. Roger C. Pancost, Pastor
July 13, 2017
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship

Gathering Hymns

Holy Spirit Ever Dwelling

#59

Let Me Enter God's Own Dwelling

#67

Welcome to Worship

(Please sign the *Fellowship Pad* in the red folder at the end of the pew. Visitors, please give your address and phone number and sign our guest book located in the Narthex.)

Announcements

Joys and Concerns

Greet Each Other with the Peace of God

Prelude

Charles Callahan

Meditation on *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

We Bring the Light of Christ into Our Midst

(Acolyte carries the Light to the Communion Table)

Call to Worship

Taught By Love

L: God's Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Open yourselves this day to receive the Word.

P: **We have committed ourselves to follow the light. We come now to be instructed by God's law.**

L: Minds set on the flesh are hostile to God. Let us, therefore, open ourselves to the Spirit.

P: **We reach out for more than we can see or hear. We long to know God's embrace deep within.**

L: The Spirit of God raised Jesus from the dead. That Spirit dwells in us and offers us new life.

P: **We praise God, who saves us and gives us hope. God cares for the earth and for each one of us.**

* **Hymn** *When Morning Guilds the Skies* #86

(Asterisk indicates when you may stand. Please stand, as you are able, when the first notes of the hymn are played.)



The ROMEOs will gather on July 18th at the Maple Grill, 13105 Gratiot Road, Hemlock, Michigan. Please meet at the church by 12:15 p.m., if you want to car pool. Google says it is about a thirty-minute drive.

The Juliet's will meet for lunch at 1:00 p.m. on July 18th at Gimmicks on Bay City Road. (Next to Valley Lanes). If you have any questions, please contact Sue Rhodes or Sondi Geminder. All are welcome, please join us if you can.

We have currently run into a shortage of childcare providers in our Rainbow Door Room, and need helpers to hold babies and play with toddlers so that their families can worship. This is a beautiful outreach part of our ministry and is a growing need!

Volunteers choose mornings that fit into their calendar schedule, commit to providing care approximately once a month or every six weeks, and get to visit with families attending with infants and small children. Lots of wonderful welcoming 'get-to-know-you' conversations take place in the Rainbow Door Room!! Volunteers working with children require a brief on-line background check, and participation in SAFE Church training. A short SAFE Church training will be offered during the VBS leader training on Thursday, July 13. Please see Jenn Ringgold or email jenn@uccmidland.org if you are interested in helping to fill this very important role extending a warm UCC welcome to families worshipping with young children.



The **August Newsletter deadline** will be Tuesday, July 18. Please submit all articles, announcements and information by the end of the day. Thank you!

Offertory *Homage to Persichetti, I* Janet Correll

* **Doxology** #780

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

* **Unison Offertory Prayer**

Accept our offering of praise and our offering of ourselves O God, along with our tithes and contributions toward our church's mission. You have given us life and guidance for living. You have made us partakers of your own Spirit. We rejoice in the opportunity to receive and share your word. May the ministry in which all of us have a share bear much fruit, bringing in an abundant harvest for your realm. Amen.

* **Hymn** *Wonderful Words of Life* #319

* **Benediction**

Postlude *Lo Ballo dell' Intorcias* Antonio Valente

(Because the Postlude is an integral part of the service we invite you to remain seated in silence.)

We welcome the Reverend Robert Snyder to the pulpit today. Rev. Snyder is graciously filling in for our pastor, the Reverend Roger Pancost, who is on vacation with his family.



The flowers on the communion table today are in memory of Thomas Ball, Sr. and are provided by Marjorie Ball.

- It is important for everyone to use the **microphone** during Announcements and Joys and Concerns.
- This church is equipped with a **hearing assistance system**. Please ask an usher for a receiver.
- **Large print** bulletins and copies of today's hymns are available for your use. Please ask an usher for a copy.
- **Audio CD's** of the worship service and a CD player may be borrowed from the office.
- **The church website** is updated weekly and contains worship bulletins, sermons, calendars, newsletter and other offerings. Please visit www.uccmidland.org



Rainbow Door Room is available for infants and toddlers. Families are invited to remain in worship with their babies, or are welcome to utilize the Rainbow Door Room space and listen to the service via the speaker system.

After Children's Moments a Summer One Room Sunday School for preschool through fifth graders will meet in the Red Door Room. After our lesson the children will play outside (weather permitting). Grown-ups will find kids at the outside doors by the church offices on the way to Fellowship Hall when worship is over.



Welcome Visitors! Please join us in Fellowship Hall for refreshments after the service of worship. Church members are happy to greet you and answer any questions you may have. We hope you feel welcome here!

Today's refreshments are provided by the Board of Deacons.