

Calendar of Events

| <u>Fifth Sunday of Easter</u> | <u>May 19, 2019</u> |
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| <u>Sunday, May 19 - Music Sunday</u> | |
| Service of Worship - Sanctuary | 10:00 a.m. |
| Fellowship - Baumann Fellowship Hall | 11:00 a.m. |
| Celebrating Edward Soehnlen's Retirement | |
| Youth Group - Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat | 2:30 p.m. |
| <u>Monday, May 20</u> | |
| Paint and Palette - Fellowship Hall | 10:00 a.m. |
| Worship Committee - Pastor's Study | 12:00 noon |
| Alcoholics Anonymous - Blue Door Room | 8:00 p.m. |
| <u>Tuesday, May 21</u> | |
| Staff Meeting - Pastor's Study | 9:00 a.m. |
| Daughters of the Union set-up | 9:00 a.m. |
| Adult Study Group - Parlor | 12:00 noon |
| The Lunch Bunch | 1:00 p.m. |
| Romeos - Meaty's BBQ—Bay City | |
| Juliets - Tiki Pineapple | |
| Choir Rehearsal - In the Loft | 7:00 p.m. |
| Social Concerns Committee - Blue Door Room | 7:00 p.m. |
| Church Council - Blue Door Room | 7:15 p.m. |
| <u>Wednesday, May 22</u> | |
| Bible Study - Parlor | 7:00 a.m. |
| Daughter's of the Union—Fellowship Hall & Kitchen | 10:00 a.m. |
| Bible Study - Blue Door Room | 12:30 p.m. |
| <u>Thursday, May 23</u> | |
| Choir Rehearsal - In the Loft | 7:00 p.m. |
| <u>Friday, May 24</u> | |
| Alcoholics Anonymous - Blue Door Room | 8:00 p.m. |
| <u>Saturday, May 25</u> | |
| <u>Sunday, May 26</u> | |
| Service of Worship - Sanctuary | 10:00 a.m. |
| Fellowship - Baumann Fellowship Hall | 11:00 a.m. |
| <u>Monday, May 27 - Memorial Day</u> | |
| Church office remain closed | |
| Alcoholics Anonymous - Blue Door Room | 8:00 p.m. |

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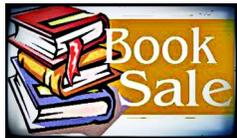


Rev. Roger C. Pancost, Pastor
 May 19, 2019
 Music Sunday
 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Mark your calendars now - JUNE 9, 2019 is Youth Sunday! This

celebration of Pentecost will include worship written, planned, and led by UCC, Midland youth AND the Souper Bowl of Caring Bounce House

and Dunk Tank Extravaganza! This event will mark the end of the regular programming year, and honor the congregational work done during Souper Bowl of Caring. Thank you to the Board of Trustees for helping to provide a hot dog lunch after worship to add to excitement!



The books that the Social Concerns Committee has for sale are on their shelves in the Fellowship Hall. They are arranged and labeled by category,

so it should be much easier to find what you are looking for. We are always happy to receive new contributions to our collection. We do ask a couple of things if you have books to contribute. Please don't put them on the shelves; instead, please leave them in the office with Janet and she will let us know. Please do not contribute paperbacks that are so old the edges of the pages have turned brown. Just drop those in your recycle bin. Please do not turn in college and graduate school text books. They do not sell here, but the library will be glad to take them off your hands.

Thanks to all who have contributed books, to those of you who will be contributing and to those who have supported us by buying books, and now....time to go shopping!

*** Unison Prayer**

Touch Holiness

Touch us, O God, through the ministry of melody, through the sounds and senses of song, through the wordless wonder that fills our souls with heaven, through the spirit that teases our feet to dance and causes our hearts to overflow, that we might be absorbed in the mystery and magic of music, and that in this moment of oneness our lives will be bonded to each other and to you. Amen.

Children's Moment *Make a Joyful Noise* Rev. Pancost

Order for a Time of Passage for Dr. Edward Soehrlen

Invitation and Greeting

Remembrance and Recognition

Presentation of Gifts

Words of Gratitude

Ending of Ministry

Prayer

Choral Response

Psalms 150

Pew Bible, page 546

Story

Rev. Dr. Carl R. Gillett

Anthem

Plenty Good Room

arr. Lloyd Larson

Bill Stokes, Soloist

Plenty good room, there's plenty good room, just choose your seat and sit down.

I would not be a sinner, I'll tell you the reason why: 'cause if my Lord should call on me I wouldn't be ready to die.

I would not be a liar, I'll tell you the reason why: if my Lord should call on me, I wouldn't be ready to die.

I would not be a backslider, I'll tell you the reason why: 'cause if my Lord should call on me I wouldn't be ready, I couldn't be ready to die.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer ("Debts" and "Debtors")

**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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, for ever.
Amen.**

Handbell Offertory

Tammy Waldrop

A Gospel Hymn Ring

* 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.**

* Prayer of Dedication

Anthem *Cornerstone* Shawn Kirchner

Bill Stokes and Melanie Larson, soloists

Refrain:

O the stone that the builders rejected became the
cornerstone of a whole new world.

A grain of wheat may be knocked to the ground only to
rise right up again and bear its seed a thousandfold.

Refrain

Never can our journey fail; a little child will lead the
way, whose eyes are filled with a shining light, to
whom the night is bright as day.

Refrain



The Special Offering for May is Hidden Harvest which strives to alleviate hunger and end food waste in the Bay, Midland and Saginaw region. It does this by providing a safe and coordinated system of rescuing surplus food and redistributing it to feed people in need. Last year, Hidden Harvest distributed 2.1 million pounds of surplus food items in the Great Lakes Bay Region. Food that is picked up in our area stays in our area.

If you would like to make a contribution to Hidden Harvest, envelopes will be available on the tables outside the sanctuary doors during the month of May, or please put Hidden Harvest on the memo line of your check and drop it in the offering plate. For more information, please visit <http://www.hiddenharvestshares.org/>.

The Juliets will be trying a new lunch spot in Midland this month. We will meet on Tuesday, May 21st at 1:00 p.m. at Tiki Pineapple. They are located at 1908 South Saginaw Road in the Kmart Plaza. They are located in the first building south of Taco Bell. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Rhodes or Sondi Geminder. Hope to see you there.



The ROMEO's will meet on Tuesday, May 21 at 1:00 p.m. at Meaty's BBQ in Bay City. Meaty's is in the parking lot of Meats and Moore at 1411 S. Wenona Street, Bay City. Meet in the church parking lot at 12:30 p.m. if you wish to car pool.

There is still time to get your **June newsletter** announcements and articles in before the deadline. It has been extended to Monday, May 20!



Immediately following our service of worship please join us in Fellowship Hall for a time of fellowship and refreshments provided by the Board of Christian Community. Cake and ice cream is being provided by the UCC Choir in honor of Edward Soehnlén's retirement.

The flowers on the communion table this morning are given by Monique McMillan in honor and celebration of Ainsley's birthday.



Our spring GEM luncheon will be a road trip to Whiting Forest with a guided tour of the Canopy Walk and a light lunch at the Café on **Thursday,**

May 30. We will arrive at the Café at 10:45 a.m. to organize our groups. Depending on the total number of attendees we may need to divide into two groups. For further details see your May newsletter or the bulletin board adjacent to the office. A sign up sheet is available at that location.



Come on out for the All Church Game Day on Sunday, June 2nd from 3:00—5:00 p.m. Outdoor games will be available on the school playground: volleyball, kickball, and gaga ball, a new craze! Come and play or cheer on the players.



The love that rolls the stone away gives us life that we may sing "Grave, where is thy victory? Death, o death, where is thy sting?"
("Grave, where is thy victory? Death, o death where is thy sting?"

Refrain

Benediction

Choral Response *One Voice* Moody
Sue Tipler, Mary Gilbert, arr. Hohmeyer
Susan Mercy, Paul Teed

This is the sound of one voice, one spirit, one voice; the sound of one who will rejoice. This is the sound of one voice.

This is the sound of voices two; the sound of me singin' with you, helping each other to make it through. This is the sound of voices two.

This is the sound of voices three; singin' together in harmony, surrendering to the mystery. This is the sound of voices three.

This is the sound of all of us; singin' with love and the will to trust. Leave the rest behind, it'll turn to dust. This is the sound of all of us. This is the sound of all of us.

Congregation joins: This is the sound of one voice; one people, one voice. A song for every one of us, this is the sound of all of us.

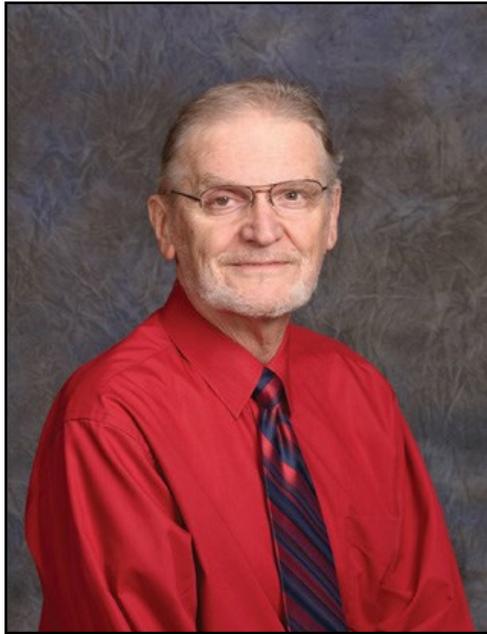
This is a song for all of us!

Postlude *Festive Trumpet Tune* Douglas Wagner
(Ps. 98:6)

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

We Carry the Light of Christ into the World

(Acolyte carries the Light from the Communion Table)



Today, we gather to thank Edward Soehnlen as he retires from 23 years of faithful, beautiful music ministry.

Please join with us following the service of worship this morning in the Baumann Fellowship Hall.

Refreshments will be served.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to reminisce and share in this special time of fellowship with Edward and Charla.

- 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.



Acolyte: Sera DiMuro
Organist: Edward Soehnlen
Director of Music: James Hohmeyer
Director of Educational Ministries: Jennifer Ringgold
Sound System Operator: Al Harrow
SAFE Church Volunteer: Beth Burns



The Rainbow Door Room is available for infants and children age three and under. 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 Sunday School classes meet in the Education wing. Each classroom has a brightly painted door to designate it's participants! Red Door is for preschool and kindergarten. Orange Door is for 1st and 2nd graders. Green Door is for 3rd through 5th grades. Middle and High School students will meet in the Blue Door Room.

