

Temple This Week

Ushers: Joe & Jan Krypel. Marilyn Rogers
Greeter: Kelly Thurston
Happy Birthday to: January 5— Isobel Herbert

Today:
10:00 Worship

Tuesday:
Office Closed—Happy New Year!

Next Sunday:
10:00 Worship

Liturgist: Jerry Hagans

Coffee Hosts are needed! The sign-up sheet is in the Parlor. Thank you to everyone who serves in this fellowship ministry!

2019 Offering Envelopes are in the foyer. Please pick yours up today!

Coffee Hour Hosts

Today:

Next Week: Thomas Shaffer & Steve Neubauer

Copies of the 2019 Temple Ministry Team brochures can be found on the table next to the church office. This brochure contains the Nominations report and the list of elected church officers and leadership for 2019. Please be certain to attain a copy.

Important Information regarding Temple Leadership Training Event (1-19) and “A Way Forward” gathering (1-29) is on the bulletin board.

Happy New Year from
your Temple Staff!

There is NO Children’s Church today.

There will be NO Choir January 6.

Communication Cards: If you are a guest at Temple this morning or would simply like to communicate a need or change in your contact information, please fill out one of the cards located in the pews and place it in the offering plates. Thank you.

Wondering if Church is Closed?

If the weather outside is frightful, you may check WZZM-13 to see if worship service is canceled. If church is not canceled, but you are worried about the roads, we encourage you to stay home and stay safe! To sign up for text alerts regarding closings, go to wzzm13.com. Also, if Muskegon Heights Schools have a snow day, the church office might be closed. Please call the church before coming!

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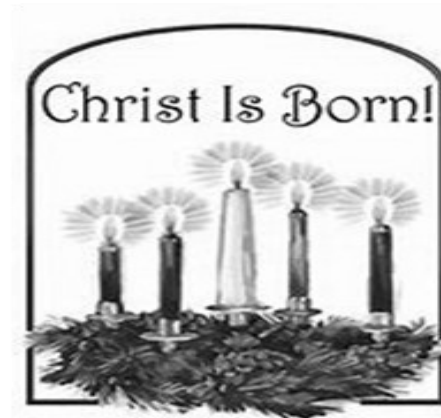


Our Staff

Pastor - Rev. Jeff Bowman
Office Manager - Melissa Miller
Treasurer - Sally Jacobs
Sound & Media - Gayle Ingersoll
Maintenance & Custodial - Joe Krypel
Organist/Music Director - Jackie Fisher

Scrip for sale in Parlor today!

Temple
United Methodist Church
December 30, 2018



*Inviting All, Serving All,
Loving All, in Christ*

To Our Visitors

Welcome to our church! To help you with your visit, large print bulletins are available. Please ask an usher if you need a large print bulletin.

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Sunday, December 30, 2018
10:00 a.m. Service of Worship
First Sunday after Christmas

*GREETING THE COMMUNITY

WELCOME

CENTERING TIME *Sacred silence.* Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather as people of faith and no faith, people of hope and no hope, people of peace and no peace.

People: **We gather with the longing to be made whole again if just for this time, here and now.**

Leader: We gather with a prayer, however vague and tenuous, that in spite of the absence of virgins and angels, wise men and shepherds, we might still be a witness to the birth of all love.

All: **We gather as ready as we'll ever be for this story of faith to unfold.**

***HYMN** *Angels from the Realms of Glory* UMH 220 (Red Hymnal)

UNISON PRAYER

Swaddle us in your love, O God, that we may grow in wisdom and favor as Jesus did before us. Clothe us with your compassion, and wrap us in your kindness and mercy, that we may be known for our humility, gentleness, and patience. Bind us in love and unity, through the power of your Holy Spirit, that our words and deeds may be done in the name of Christ Jesus, our guide and guardian. Amen.

CONVERSATION WITH THE CHILDREN (No Children's Church today)

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** UMH 95 (Red Hymnal)
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READING Colossians 3:12-17 Luke 2:41-52

***HYMN** *Angels We Have Heard on High* UMH 238 (Red Hymnal)

MESSAGE *Growing Up*

***HYMN** *What Child Is This* UMH 219 (Red Hymnal)

ILLUMINATION OF PRAYER INTENTIONS

[You are invited to bring your prayers to the altar and to light a candle as a symbolic expression of your intention. If unable to stand or kneel we invite you to ask another sitting near to you to light a candle for you.]

PASTORAL PRAYER

***HYMN** *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* UMH 251 (Red Hymnal)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

[Please remain seated during the postlude]

Please don't park in the handicap parking spaces on Sunday mornings if you do not need them! Thank you!

Please make sure to silence your cell phones...thank you!

Coming Soon: Temple Coffee Café

Beginning in 2019, the front entrance at Temple will be designed to facilitate a ministry of hospitality where coffee and conversation can be shared before and after worship service. The area will be equipped with a bit of café décor, a Keurig coffee maker, 1 table and chairs, 1 high table for standing and all the fixings. We encourage you to come early or stay late engaging in conversation with guests around a fresh cup of brew, or to simply pour yourself a cup to enjoy during worship. In an attempt to lessen our carbon footprint, the coffee café will be eco-friendly, utilizing biodegradable 8 oz. cups and hot sleeves. In order to reduce costs, in pre-launch we are inviting you to consider a donation of K-Cup Pods, eco-friendly cups/sleeves, sugar and creamer packets and napkins. All donations received at the church office. ***"A cup of coffee shared with friends is happiness tasted."*** Thank you for your help in making this new ministry a success!

January Preaching Schedule

Sunday, January 6-Rev. Susan Hagans Sunday, January 13-Rev. Jerry Hagans
Sunday, January 20-Rev. Orea Peterson (MLK combined service with John Wesley & Temple) Sunday, January 27-Rev. John Morse

*Pastor Jeff will be away January 1-13 on a worship planning retreat and then taking some vacation.

**As you are able, please stand.*