



Newsletter

JUNE 2022

Worship God.

Follow Jesus.

Serve Others.

“God has ascended amid shouts of joy, the Lord amid the sounding of trumpets. Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.”

Psalm 47:5-6

Dear Friends in Christ,

For forty days we have been celebrating the season of Easter and the resurrection power of Jesus Christ. During these days of worship and rejoicing, we have sung the songs of victory over sin and death and retold the stories of Christ’s supremacy over all things in this world. Jesus alone is worthy of our full admiration and worship.

According to the Bible, on the fortieth day after resurrection, Jesus ascends into heaven, returns to His throne in heaven and instructs His disciples to wait for the filling of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. The psalmist writes accurately of the prophetic anticipation of the Lord’s ascension (Psalm 47:5-6) while the gospel writers record for us the event and accompanying blessing (Luke 24:44-53). Two millennia later we are remembering and rejoicing still as the Lord’s ascension is observed on May 26 and Pentecost on June 5.

Today we worship, work and live with the knowledge of Christ’s victory over sin and death and of His rightful return to the throne of heaven. It is with this knowledge, understanding and perspective that we are able to live with courage, confidence, hope and joy. Through faith and trust in Jesus, we are recipients of life eternal and share with Christ the inheritance of all things bright and beautiful.

Let us continue to live victoriously and radiantly through our living Lord, Jesus Christ.

Blessings, Wade Panse, Pastor

WEARING RED ON PENTECOST

The liturgical color for the season of Pentecost is red. You are invited to wear something red on Sunday, June 5 as we celebrate the Day of Pentecost and rejoice in the coming of the Holy Spirit to all believers in Christ Jesus.

Healing Services in June

On Wednesday mornings in June, our Pastor will be leading healing services in the Prayer Room of the church. Beginning at 11:00 on Wednesdays June 8, 15, 22 and 29. The service will include a Bible text and teaching, intercessory prayer and the Sacrament of Holy Communion. You are invited to attend and friends, family and guests are welcome also.

OPEN FORUM, WEDNESDAY JUNE 8

The conservative branch of our denomination has been anticipating separation and has made ready for such a division through prayer and preparation. With the third delay of General Conference, the Global Methodist Church was launched as a new denomination on May 1, 2022.

What does all this mean for our local church in Cassopolis? It could mean much, or mean nothing. Let's gather on Wednesday, June 8 at 6:30 to receive current information and gain understanding. No decisions will be made by our congregation at this time, but it will be helpful to educate ourselves regarding the present state of the church and our denomination and recognize the impact of change on our local church.

Please join us for questions, answers and discussion on Wednesday, June 8. See you there!

Thank You Notes Received

Dear Friends:

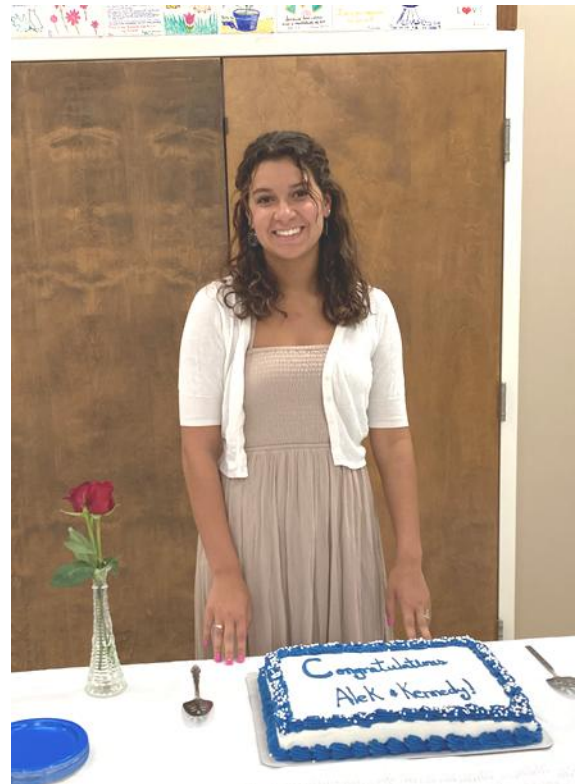
Thank you for your generous donation to help us with our lodge rebuild. What an amazing way for your church to collect funds to help local organizations. We'd like to invite you to visit sometime to see what Chris loves about camp.

Thanks again!

Diana Breden - Camp Millhouse

Congratulations to our 2022 graduates!!

Our church held a reception May 22 honoring Alek Dahlgren,(not pictured) and Kennedy Westrate on their graduation from Cassopolis Ross Beatty High School. We are so happy for our young people and wish them God's blessings in the future.



INSPIRATION FROM SCRIPTURE

"God reigns over the nations; God is seated on his holy throne" Psalm 47:8

HARDING'S REWARDS

We have received another check from HARDING'S REWARDS. The check for \$51.45 is the result of nine church shoppers using the rewards program. If you are not using the program the church office can help you sign up.



The Newton House at 20689 Marcellus Highway will be open to the public every Sunday thru August 1-4:00 PM. This is a great opportunity for families in Cass County to learn more about local history.

Save the date!!

We are all invited to the 100th birthday celebration for our own Betty Rutz on July 23, 4:00 PM at the VFW in downtown Cassopolis. More information will follow in early July.

A LITTLE HUMOR FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

I've had my patience tested recently...I'm negative.

UMCOR (UNITED METHODIST COMMITTEE ON RELIEF)

We are still collecting funds for UMCOR Ukranian Relief, plus funds for the tornado damage in Gaylord, MI. So far we have sent \$1,246, but you can still donate. Simply write UMCOR on your check or giving envelope.

June Sermon Schedule

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| <i>June 5</i> | <i>Pentecost</i> | <i>Holy Spirit</i> | <i>"Declaring the Wonders of God"</i> | <i>Acts 2:1-21</i> |
| <i>June 12</i> | <i>Trinity Sunday</i> | <i>Wisdom</i> | <i>"Ah... Wisdom"</i> | <i>Proverbs 8-14, 22-31</i> |
| <i>June 19</i> | <i>Father's Day</i> | <i>Faithfulness</i> | <i>"Oh... Elijah"</i> | <i>1 Kings 19:1-15a</i> |
| <i>Sermon Series: "I Am the Lord Your God" Ten Sermons on the Ten Commandments</i> | | | | |
| <i>June 26</i> | <i>3^d Sunday after Pentecost</i> | <i>One God</i> | <i>"No Other Gods"</i> | <i>Deut 5:7</i> |

HELPING HANDS OF CASS COUNTY ANNUAL REPORT

As donors to Helping Hands, our church has received a copy of their annual report. The report is thorough and detailed, and you may want to look at it and see the good work that was done in 2021.

Copies of the report are located in the fellowship hall for you to take home and read.

HAPPY 
FATHER'S
Day! 

JUNE



| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| | | | 1 | 2 Adam & Teresa Dahlgren  | 3 | 4 <i>Bill Loux</i> |
| 5 Worship 10 AM <i>Holy Communion</i> <i>Newton House open 1-4</i> | 6 | 7 | 8 <i>Healing Service 11 AM</i> <i>Open forum 6:30 PM</i> | 9 | 10 <i>Zack May-Fox</i> | 11 |
| 12 Worship 10 AM <i>Trustees meet after worship</i> | 13 <i>Don Woodhouse</i> <i>Karen Wright</i> | 14 | 15 <i>Sewing Sowers meet 10 AM</i> <i>Heaing service 11 AM</i> <i>Michael and JoLynn Watts</i>  | 16 <i>Laura Maddox</i> | 17 | 18 |
| 19 Worship 10 AM FATHERS' DAY | 20 | 21 | 22 <i>Healing Service 11 AM</i> | 23 <i>Jim & Vicki Beebe</i>  | 24 | 25 <i>St Paul Lutheran Food Pantry 11:30 - 1</i> <i>Ken Koehler</i> <i>Margaret Lamb</i> |
| 26 Worship 10 AM Cole Miller Ryne Nickel CLC Meets 9 AM | 27 | 28 | 29 <i>Healing Service 11 AM</i> | 30 | | |

If your special date does not appear on this calendar, please let the office know.