



## Midland First United Methodist Church

Order of Worship for Sunday, November 10, 2024  
25th Sunday after Pentecost; Day of Service

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*PRAISE SONG** "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service"  
UMH #581

**DEVOTIONAL/VIDEO TESTIMONY** Rev. Jeremy Africa

### HOLY COMMUNION

As a United Methodist Church, we share an open communion table. All who love Christ, repent of their sin, and seek to live in peace with others are invited to share in the sacrament of Holy Communion. One need not be a member of Midland First UMC or any other church to share in Communion today.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### DEPARTING INSTRUCTIONS

**\*PRAISE SONG** "Here I Am, Lord" UMH #593

### \*BENEDICTION

\*Please stand if able

*Altar Flowers*

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Paul M. Pankratz by his sons.



Since the Russian invasion of Ukraine in 2022, Midwest Mission has sent over 275,000 Rice Meal Bags, feeding over 1.6 million people in and around Ukraine. For more information, please visit: [www.midwestmission.org](http://www.midwestmission.org)

### OTHER SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:

- Packing treat bags for Thanksgiving for our Sunday Friendship Lunch guests, to be handed out on 11/27. Bags include lotion, chapstick, pocket cross, and candy.
- Making Thanksgiving cards for laity and pastors to take on visits.
- Blanket tying
- Other crafts

Thank you for worshipping, and volunteering with us today!

**Welcome!** May your time in worship this morning be meaningful. It is our hope and prayer that you find the presence of God and a spirit of friendship and caring. Please join us for refreshments following worship in the Parlor. If you are visiting for the first time, we would like to share a gift with you.

The Nursery is open during worship for children from birth through the age of 3. Busy bags for preschoolers are available in P4.

Sunday worship services at First UMC are live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube and available afterward for watch-on-demand. They are also broadcast throughout the week on Midland Cable Television (MCTV, channel 188) and on 97.7 and 107.7 fm on Sundays at 11 am

## First Glance

### Sun Nov 10, 2024

Day of Service  
9 am Church Service  
10 am - 1 pm Rice Packing

### Mon Nov 11, 2024

5 pm Kiwanis

### Tue Nov 12, 2024

10 am Worship/Tech Meeting  
11 am Staff Meeting  
12 pm S3 Group  
2 pm Bible Study with Pastor Bethany  
7 pm Praise Band Rehearsal  
7 pm Boy Scouts

### Wed Nov 13, 2024

9:30 am Bible Study with Pastor Jeremy  
12 pm Nominations Meeting  
1 pm Carillon Bells Rehearsal  
4:45 pm EXPLORE! Music Class  
7 pm Facilities Meeting  
7:30 pm Joyful Bells Rehearsal

### Thur Nov 14, 2024

9 am PEO Meeting  
7 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Fri Nov 15, 2024

11 am Men's Small Group  
7 pm AA Meeting

### Sun Nov 17, 2024

#### Loyalty Sunday

9 am Traditional Worship Service  
10 am Loyalty Brunch - Fellowship Hall  
10:15 am Adult Forum Class  
10:15 am Youth Group  
11 am Contemporary Worship Service  
11 am Sunday Friendship Lunch  
4 pm Accounting Meeting

## Church Building Closures

The building will be closed on Nov 28-29 for Thanksgiving.

## Advent Worship Services

We will have combined worship services at 10 am during the Advent season. This applies to December 1, 8,

15 and 22.

Christmas Eve services are at 4pm, 7pm and 11pm.

December 29 will also be a combined service at 10am.



For more announcements and information, please see our weekly eBlast. If you do not receive it, call the office or email: [reception@fumcmid.org](mailto:reception@fumcmid.org)



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Sharing Trees are up at church! Look for them in the PARLOR and the OFFICE area. Please consider selecting a tag (or several) to help make Christmas a little brighter for needy individuals and families in our community. Please note the following specifics:

- The expectation is that each gift value is AT LEAST \$30.
- Purchased gifts should be wrapped using a GIFT BAG.
- Please remove the yarn from the tag (it can snag on things) and securely tape the gift tag to the gift bag. Do not tie the tag and leave it dangling where it can catch and tear off.
- Purchased gift cards should be given directly to Melanie in the church office.

**All gifts must be dropped off NO LATER than Monday, DEC 2**

Questions? Contact Michelle Lather at [lathermb@chartermi.net](mailto:lathermb@chartermi.net) or 989-600-1725.

Thank you for your generosity during this Christmas season!



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