

Prospect Street United Methodist Church
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Sunday, July 20th, 2025
10:30 a.m.



Mission Statement:

"We are united to love God,
to grow in our commitment to Christ,
to serve others, and welcome all people."

6th Sunday after Pentecost

Joshua Freshour, Pastor

*Please stand if you are able

Please silence electronic devices

WELCOME

Michelle Fassler

OPENING PRAISE SONG

“He Is Exalted”
He is exalted,
the King is exalted on high;
I will praise Him.
He is exalted, forever exalted
and I will praise His name!
He is the Lord,
forever His truth shall reign;
Heaven and earth
rejoice in His holy name.
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the King is exalted on high.
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PASS THE PEACE

Leader:

The Lord Be With You

People:

And Also with You

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

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PRELUDE

Jim Anderson

“The Head That Once Was Crowned” arr. by Robert A. Hobby

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Use this time to prepare your heart for worship

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: It doesn't matter where we go. We might go off exploring other worlds. We might find ourselves in the midst of family. We could go up on mountains and into valleys but no matter what...

People: We trust God to go with us.

Leader: There are so many choices in this world to make. Do we turn to the left or the right? Stop or go? Do we choose Pepsi or Coke? We pray to God to lead us not into temptation and to instead deliver us from evil so no matter what choice we make.

People: We trust God to lead the way.

Leader: Information can come at us from all directions. What we read in books and in magazines. The circles we find ourselves involved with. TV and media all sharing with us information. But is it all truth? Is it wise? No matter what the world tells us we must remember...

People: We trust God to share wisdom.

Leader: The storms are crashing in all around us. Each day it looks like we are on the brink of war. Disease and natural disasters run rampant. How important is it now than ever...

People: We trust God to give us peace.

Leader: If we are not careful, fear and worry can hijack our lives. We become so focused on the things we can't control that we forget the beauty of this world and the things that really matter.

People: Help us to remember the Gospel of Jesus and to Trust God to spark joy!

*OPENING HYMN

"This Little Light of Mine"

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*INVOCATION

Oh God, Oh Holy Spirit, help us to continue to understand through the Holy Scriptures that all we may ever find ourselves doing is running around in circles in our lives if we fail to do that one thing that is O so important in our faith. To trust in You in all that we are and in all that we do. If we don't trust You to deliver us each day into every new opportunity and possibility, then we discover that we are truly missing out on all this life offers. What you offer to us is an abundance of peace and joy and understanding. If we but reach out and receive these gifts from You, we will find our lives having more purpose and meaning. Help us to continue to pursue this foundation of trust. May we find it in Your Word and may we put it to use in this world! Amen.

OFFERING

Offertory

"Only One Life" by Merrill Dunlop

Jim Anderson

*Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

#95

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 56:3

³ Whenever I'm afraid I put my trust in you.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

VBS CELEBRATION

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

*CLOSING HYMN

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"God Be With You"
God be with you till we meet again;
by his counsels guide, uphold you,
with his sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.
Till we meet, till we meet,
till we meet at Jesus' feet;
till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again.

POSTLUDE

"Jerusalem, My Happy Home #III" arr. by Robert R. Hobby

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Liturgist: Kathy Griffith  
Greeters/Acolytes: Vince Casey Family

*The clear candle burning on our altar signifies our appreciation for the men and women serving our country during this time of national concern.*

If you have a **Prayer Request**, please call Pastor Josh at 614-519-8870.

If you would like to have the **church directory** on your phone or desktop, please let us know by calling the church office.

**Youth Fellowship** will start up **today** from 2 – 4 p.m. They will meet every first and third Sunday after that.

The **United Women In Faith Executive Board** will meet **tomorrow** at 2 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**Book Study** – Every **Tuesday** at 7 p.m. and every **Friday** at 10:30 a.m.

The **Leadership Team** will be meeting again on **Thursday, July 24**, at 6 p.m. in the Upper Room.

**Free Community Breakfast** – we will not be serving breakfast this month. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

**Noisy Collection** will be on **Sunday, July 27**, for Mobile Meals.

We will collect for the **Salvation Army Food Pantry** on **Sunday, July 27**. Suggested donations: Kool-Aid or other dry beverage mixes. They are also in need of paper products and feminine products. Put your donations in the shopping cart in the back of the sanctuary. Thank you!

**Laundry Love Ministry** will be **Monday, July 28**, at 4:30 p.m. at the Southtown Cleaning Village, 355 S. Main Street in Marion. They are in need of Laundry Detergent. Please bring your donations to the church. Thank you!

**Please mark your calendars for Friday, August 1!** The Ice Cream Social is just around the corner. This event has always been a whole church family effort. The UWIF will be counting on you for at least 12 layer cakes, 32 pies, 20 food line workers, 6 cooks, 15 set up/tear down workers, 4 ice cream scoopers, and 4 guest helpers. Come and enjoy the kinship and comradery of the Ice Cream Social on Friday, August 1st, from 4:30 – 7 p.m. Sign-up sheets are in the atrium for Ice Cream Social workers. Flyers are available on the publications table in the sanctuary. Plan to bring your family to dine that evening.

The **Board of Trustees** will meet again on **Monday, August 4**, at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**Giving Statements for January – June 2025** are available on the sound board. Please look over your statement. If you have any questions, please call Erika.

**Upper Rooms** devotional booklets for July/August 2025 are on the library table in the south alcove. Small - \$1.25 Large - \$3.50

**Watch our services on YouTube!** Just go to our website and click the YouTube link. Our website address is: [www.prospectstreetumc.com](http://www.prospectstreetumc.com).

**Service DVD's for Shut-Ins!** We have DVD's available of our 10:30 a.m. worship service for anyone who would like to borrow or have a copy. We are delivering DVD's on Monday mornings!

**Memorial Pavers** can be ordered for summer installation. If you would like to purchase a paver for the Memorial Park, forms are available on the library table located in the south alcove. The pavers can be in memory of loved ones who have passed away, or in honor of anyone or anything that you would wish to praise. Cost of a paver is \$75.00. Order forms can be turned in to the office.

**E-Tithing** is an automatic withdrawal from your checking account and is remitted automatically to the church. We can set it up so it will deduct from your checking account on the 1<sup>st</sup> and/or the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Contact the church office for more information!

**Kroger Community Rewards** – Please enroll in the Kroger Community Program. Go to [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com) and all the details on creating an online account are there. Under Community Rewards make sure you search and select “Prospect St. United Meth. Chur” our Organization number is VF478. Thank you!

**Attendance July 13:** Sunday School - 34      Worship Services – 18/83

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