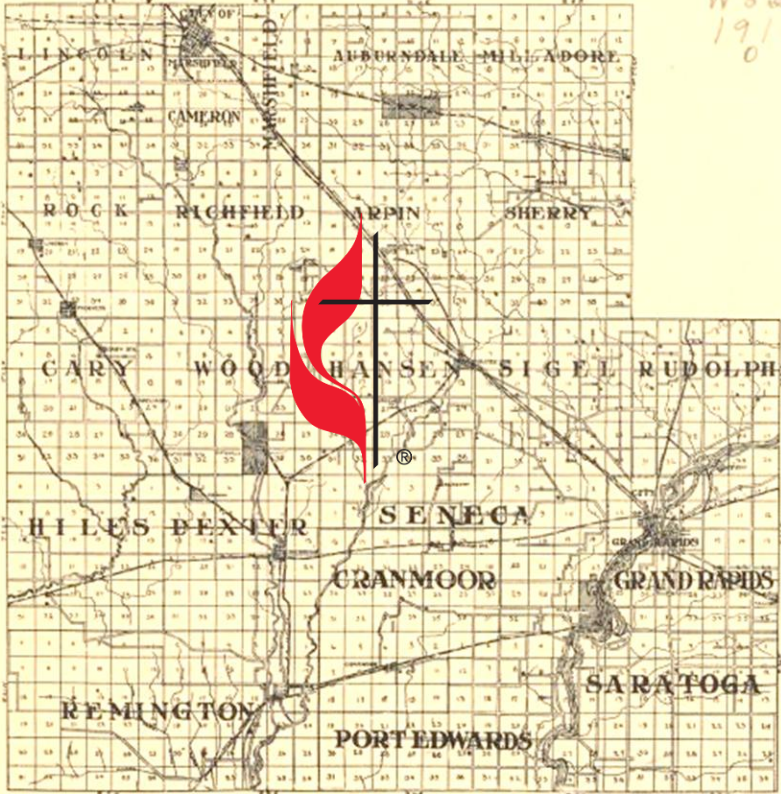


Welcome to Our Combined Service!

Sunday, June 21st, 2026

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“You are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God . . . with Christ Jesus as the Cornerstone; in Christ the whole structure is joined together and grows as a holy temple to our God, in whom you also are built together, spiritually, as a dwelling place for God’s Spirit.” -Ephesians 2:19-22

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Ethan Boerner, *Media Tech*
Mike & Karen Vargo, *Greeters*
Diane Sweat, *Guest Relations*



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Candy Pahl-Tell, *Liturgist*
Joel Tomlinson, *Scripture*
Skip Mazurek, *Sound*

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L – Liturgist / M – Minister / **P – People** / † - words are on the TVs / * – stand in body or spirit

UMH – The United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS – The Faith We Sing

(1) *The Body of Christ gathers to worship God!*

WORDS OF WELCOME

†*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We have wandered aimlessly in dry places;
we have felt rejected; we have longed to be seen:
P: but God finds us in those wilderness places!

L: We have carried wounds no others can see;
we have reached out in hope;
we have trusted Jesus to not turn away:
P: but Christ reaches back and heals us!

L: Today, we remember that God's welcome
is wider than our boundaries,
deeper than our histories,
and already weaving us together thru the Spirit.
**P: We come to the God who hears our cries
and opens wells in the barren ground.**

L: We come to the God whose touch restores
and whose mercy makes us whole.

**ALL: Let us worship the One
who meets the reject with refuge,
the wounded with healing,
and all of us with an Unending Love!
AMEN! Let it be so!**

**Shall we gather by the River,
where bright angel feet have trod,
with its crystal tide forever
flowing by the Throne of God?**

Chorus:

***Yes! We'll gather by the River:
the beautiful, the beautiful River!
Gather with the saints by the River
that flows by the Throne of God!***

**On the margin of this River,
washing up its silver spray,
we will walk and worship ever,
all the happy, golden Day! (*chorus*)**

**As we reach the shining River,
lay we ev'ry burden down;
grace our spirits will deliver,
and provide a robe and crown! (*chorus*)**

**Soon we'll reach the shining River,
soon our pilgrimage will cease;
soon our happy hearts will quiver
with the melody of peace! (*chorus*)**

♪ *And Are We Yet Alive* ♪

Words: Charles Wesley, 1749; adapted by Pastor Caleb
Music: Johann G. Nageli; arranged by Lowell Mason, 1845

**How are we still alive,
to gather in this place?
We lift our thanks to Christ our Lord
for love that holds with grace!**

**Sustained by power divine,
kept safe in mercy's care,
we come with grateful hearts again
to praise the One who's here!**

**What trials have shaped our days?
What storms have we walked through?
The fears within, the fights without,
since we last met as two?**

**Yet through it all, the Lord
has led us by a love;
and still provides a steady help
and saves our life above!**

**So let our witness be of grace
that makes us whole:
the saving love that reaches us
and heals our very soul!**

SHARING OF JOYS & GOD-SIGHTINGS
OPENING PRAYER (*PRAISE & INSPIRATION*)

(2) *We listen to what God is saying to us!*

SCRIPTURE: **Genesis 21:8-21** **Matthew 8:1-4**

ends with . . .

L: God's light now shines upon us through this reading.

ALL: May we walk in its glow: AMEN!

♪ **Lord – You have come to the lakeshore /
looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones;
You only asked me to follow humbly:
O Lord,
with Your eyes You have searched me,
and while smiling have spoken my name;
now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me;
by Your side I will seek other seas. ♪**

“I am glad you are here today!”

MESSAGE

Creating Promise Out of Pain

Sharing God's preference for those on the margins

The Rev. Douglas K. Clement

(3) *We respond to what God is saying to us!*

†*HYMN OF RESPONSE: ♪ *Give to the Winds Our Fears* ♪

Martin Luther's German translations of Psalm 37:5, translated into English by John Wesley

**Give to the winds our fears,
confusion, and our dread,
God hears our cries and counts our tears,
God shall lift up our head.**

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**Through waves and clouds and storms,
God gently clears our way;
wait for God's time;
so shall this night / soon end in joyous day.**

**Let's not be shaken up /
by grievous social wrong;
responsive, active, unafraid,
let us be brave and strong!**

**Let's give our loving care /
through all our lifelong days;
and when we're gone, bring us to where /
bright angels sing God's praise!**

SHARING OF CONCERNS, *with Prayers of the People*

(4) We prepare to leave and be doers of God's Word!

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INVITATION TO GIVE
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE PRAYER OF JESUS (*adapted, ecumenical version*)

Our Abba, in heaven, holy is Your Name!

Your kin'dom come!

Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven!

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Let us not fall into temptation

and deliver us from evil.

For Yours is the kin'dom, the power,

and the glory now and forever: AMEN!

A CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

†*HYMN OF MISSION:

 *His Eye Is On the Sparrow* 

Words: Civillia Martin / Music: Charles H. Gabriel

**Vs. 1: Why should I feel discouraged?
Why should the shadows come?
Why should my heart be lonely?
And long for heaven and home?
When Jesus is my portion!
My Constant Friend is He:
*His eye is on the sparrow –
and I know He watches me! (2x)***

**Vs. 2: “Let not your heart be troubled,”
His tender word I hear,
and resting on His goodness,
I lose my doubts and fears;
though by the path He leadeth
but one step I may see:
*His eye is on the sparrow –
and I know He watches me! (2x)***

**Vs. 3: Whenever I am tempted,
whenever clouds arise,
when song gives place to sighing,
when hope within me dies,
I draw the closer to Him,
from care He sets me free:
*His eye is on the sparrow –
and I know He watches me! (2x)***

**I sing because I'm happy! I sing because I'm free!
For His eye is on the sparrow –
and I know he watches me!**

*A BLESSING AND GOING FORTH

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