

Our Church Statement

We seek to know God. We are grounded in unconditional love. We affirm all persons.

We learn from one another as we follow the teachings of Jesus Christ, an outsider who tore down dividing walls and calls us to unity. We are progressive, relevant, and committed to seeking peace and building hope through worship, service, social justice, and education.

No matter where you are on your faith journey, or how you worship, we welcome you to help us build our community. This includes all races and ethnicities, sexual orientations, gender identities, ages and stages of life, abilities and disabilities, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

Our Journey Together is Know God. Love Unconditionally. Affirm All.

We are following guidelines from our COVID team during worship

- We are following Washtenaw County guidelines to determine the need for masking and social-distancing in our spaces. Please adhere to guidelines provided by ushers and signage.
- Bulletins are self-serve and available at entrances to the sanctuary.
- Links to announcements, online giving, and attendance registration are below.



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Green Wood Location

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Green Wood

at First United Methodist Church of Ann Arbor
Saturday, September 24, 2022

The Celebration Candle on the altar honors the eternal life of Ruth Riegel, mother of Thomas Riegel. Ruth passed away on September 15.

Opening Songs

Joy Joy Joy Hallelujah
Sanctuary

Welcome & Announcements

Greeting Each Other

Call to Worship (responsive) Liturgy by Tim Graves, liturgy bits.com

We gather as people on a journey.

***We believe & we have doubts, we do good & we sin.
We are imperfect humans, and still beloved by God.***

Love and grace. Hope and faith.

These are the essence of the one we call God.

***We seek forgiveness & grace from
the One and from those we've harmed.***

Assured of that grace, we are ready to grow again.

We yearn for a new way, a new perspective, and a clear path.

Though we are full of trust and full of doubt, we are here.

Speak to us, God! Continue creating us!

Inspire our hearts. Enlighten our minds. Guide our actions. Amen.

Special Music, Mary Gauthier

Scripture Reading: Matthew 7:1-5

Sermon “Do I Stay Christian? Reasons to Say No”
Rev. Nancy Lynn

Special Music, Mary Gauthier

Time of Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Closing Song: I'll Fly Away

Blessing

Texts in our Worship

Song: Joy Joy Joy Hallelujah

Chorus:

Joy, Joy, Joy Hallelujah
Joy, Joy, Joy Hallelujah
Joy, Joy, Joy Hallelujah
Can't take my joy from me

Jealousy and anger
Greed, hypocrisy
Seasons of human nature
You can't take my joy from me

Chorus

Went up on the mountain top
Lookin' for victory
Went down to the valley low
You can't take my joy from me

Chorus (sing twice)

Song: Sanctuary

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
Pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
sanctuary for you.

Scripture: Matthew 7:1-5 (NRSV)

“Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. For the judgment you give will be the judgment you get, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. Why do you see the speck in your neighbor’s eye but do not notice the log in your own eye? Or how can you say to your neighbor, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ while the log is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbor’s eye.”

Song: I'll Fly Away

Some bright morning when this life is over,
I'll fly away
To a home on God's celestial shore,
I'll fly away

Chorus:

I'll fly away, oh, glory, I'll fly away
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away

When the shadows of this life have gone,
I'll fly away
Like a bird from these prison walls I'll fly,
I'll fly away

Chorus

Oh, how glad and happy when we meet,
I'll fly away
No more cold iron shackles on my feet,
I'll fly away

Chorus