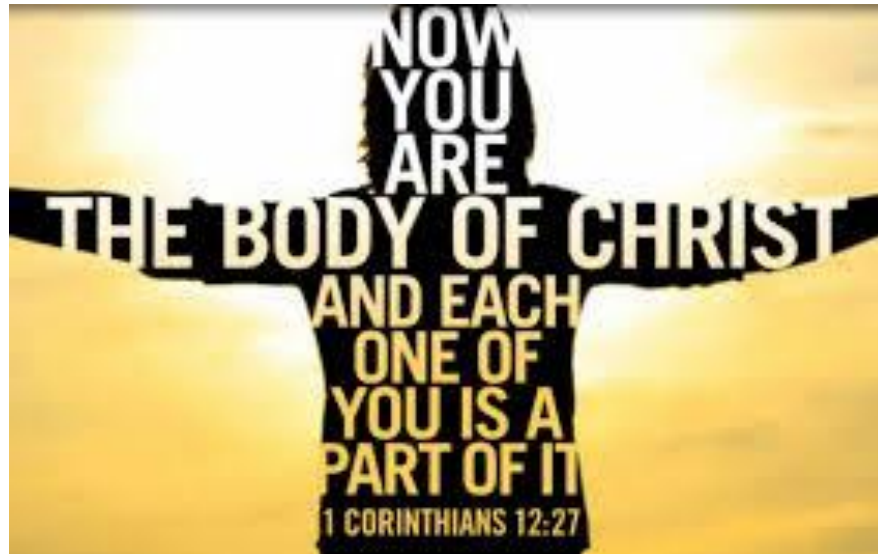


Prospect Street United Methodist Church
185 S. Prospect Street, Marion, OH 43302
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Pastor, Joshua Freshour

Sunday, January 26th, 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."

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

Joshua Freshour, Pastor

*Please stand if you are able

Please silence electronic devices

NOISY COLLECTION

Community Breakfast

WELCOME

Michelle Fassler

OPENING PRAISE SONG

“Great Is the Lord”
Great is the Lord,
He is holy and just;
by His power we trust in His love.
Great is the Lord,
He is faithful and true;
by His mercy
He proves He is love.
Great is the Lord
and worthy of glory!
Great is the Lord
and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord;
now lift up your voice,
now lift up your voice:
Great is the Lord!
Great is the Lord!
Great is the Lord,
He is holy and just;
by His power we trust in his love.
Great is the Lord,
He is faithful and true;
by His mercy
He proves He is love.
Great are you, Lord,
and worthy of glory!
Great are you, Lord,
and worthy of praise.
Great are you, Lord;
I lift up my voice,
I lift up my voice:
Great are you, Lord!
Great are you, Lord!

PASS THE PEACE

Leader:

The Lord Be With You

People:

And Also with You

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

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PRELUDE

Jim Anderson & Gary Flach

“I Cannot Tell” arr. by Marilyn Thompson

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Use this time to prepare your heart for worship

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come to worship today, not just to show God reverence...

People: But to be appointed by God into the body of Christ.

Leader: In worship we say "God I need you!"

People: And God says "I need you too!"

Leader: God needs the body, and God needs every part of it.

People: May all of us find the place in the body where we are called and needed.

*OPENING HYMN

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

#62

**1. All creatures of
our God and King,
lift up your voice
and with us sing,
O praise ye! Alleluia!
O brother sun
with golden beam,
O sister moon
with silver gleam!
O praise ye!
O praise ye!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia!**

**2. O brother wind,
air, clouds, and rain,
by which all creatures
ye sustain,
O praise ye! Alleluia!
Thou rising morn,
in praise rejoice,
ye lights of evening,
find a voice!
O praise ye!
O praise ye!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia!**

**3. O sister water,
flowing clear,
make music for**

thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
O brother fire
who lights the night,
providing warmth,
enhancing sight,
O praise ye!
O praise ye!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia!
4. Dear mother earth,
who day by day
unfoldest blessings
on our way,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
The flowers and fruits
that in thee grow,
let them God's
glory also show!
O praise ye!
O praise ye!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia!

***INVOCATION**

Heavenly God and Counselor of our lives, we know that the harvest is plenty but the workers are few. Therefore, help us to be just as hard at working as we are at recruiting other workers so that the Kingdom of God can be transformed into many shepherds in Christ looking for just the few lost sheep. Help us to understand that, as the body of Christ, we are most effective when we are dependent on each other and trust in each other; when we sharpen each other's gifts and encourage one another to take risks. The church is successful when we can humbly work together even if that be at the pace of a snail; because when we work together humbly in Your name, it doesn't matter the pace, we know that the Spirit is working to make great things happen. Amen.

WITNESS IN MUSIC

"Now I Belong to Jesus"

Senior Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

"Jesus Loves Me" vs. 1

Children under age four may go to the Nursery
Children ages four through 5th Grade are dismissed for Junior Worship

OFFERING

Offertory

"I Love to Tell the Story" arr. by Albin C. Whitworth

*Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

#95

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body so it is with Christ. ¹³ For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body - Jews or Greeks, slaves or free - and we were made to drink of one spirit. ¹⁴ Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵ If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear would say, "Because I am not a hand, I am

not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸ But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹ If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many members, yet one body. ²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” ²² On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; ²⁴ whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior members, ²⁵ that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶ If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. ²⁷ Now you are the body of Christ and individually member of it. ²⁸ And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. ²⁹ Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰ Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹ But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

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

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

“Bellybuttons Wanted”

Pastor Josh Freshour

HYMN OF PRAYER

“There’s Something About That Name”

#171

**Jesus, Jesus, Jesus!
There’s just something
about that name!
Master, Savior, Jesus!
Like the fragrance
after the rain.
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus!
Let all heaven
and earth proclaim:
Kings and kingdoms
shall all pass away,
but there’s something
about that name!**

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.**

“Something Beautiful”
**Something beautiful,
something good;
all my confusion
he understood;
all I had to offer him
was brokenness
and strife,
but he made something
beautiful of my life.**

*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

“Like a River Glorious” arr. by Charlie Miller

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Liturgist: Lynette Burris  
Greeters/Acolytes: Mike & Linda Mills

Next Sunday Scripture: 1 Corinthians 13: 1-13 & Sermon Title: “Where Are We Going?”

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

**Last day to order your Super Bowl Subs** - Our Staff-Pastor-Relations Team & Finance Team will be taking orders for subs. The subs will be ready just in time for the game February 9. Cost of the subs will be \$5.00 each. All proceeds will go towards our General Fund expenses. If anyone has an interest in helping to serve our Church with this fundraiser, and would like to join us prepping the subs on **Tuesday, February 4**, at 5 p.m. to help slice and stack the meat and cheese, or **Thursday, February 6**, at 10 a.m. and/or 5 p.m. to make the subs, it would be greatly appreciated.

The **Monday Morning Bible Study Group** will meet again **tomorrow** at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

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

The **Sacrament of Holy Communion** will be served during both of our worship services on **Sunday, February 2**.

The **Prayer Team** will meet on **Sunday, February 2**, after the second service.

The **Board of Trustees** will meet on **Monday, February 3**, at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

**Save-the-Date** – Happy 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Open House for Phyllis Heineman **February 7**, from 2 - 5 p.m. at her home, 1670 Union Park Circle.

**Ladies' Lunch Group** will meet again on **Sunday, February 9**, after the second service.

The **Hilda Weiss Circle** will meet on **Monday, February 10**, at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The new president, Norma Stump, will co-host the meeting with Phyllis Heineman.

**Staff-Pastor-Parish Relations Team** will meet again on **Monday, February 10**, at 6 p.m. in the Upper Room.

The **Guiding Light Circle** will meet on **Tuesday, February 11**, at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Charlene Spillman and Linda Kear will be the hostesses and the program will be the Silent Meal.

The **Finance Team** will meet again on **Thursday, February 13**, at 7 p.m. in the Upper Room.

**Men's Prayer Breakfast** will be held on **Saturday, February 15**, at 8 a.m. There will be good food, devotions and fellowship! Please join this amazing group of men!

The **Valentine Caroling** is fast approaching! In 2025, we will be a blessing to others on **Sunday, February 16**. A light lunch will be provided by the UWIF immediately after the second service. Then we will establish driving routes, pass out song books, and edible treats to deliver. Some of the songs in the booklet are: "You are my Sunshine", "Let Me Call You Sweetheart", "Oh, How I Love Jesus", and "Jesus Loves Me". Please consider joining this outreach ministry. All are welcome to make a joyful noise - families, children, and all ages of willing singers. There is a sign-up sheet in the Atrium!

**2024 Contribution Statements have been handed/mailed out.** Please look over your statement carefully, if there are any questions, call Erika at the church office.

**Pastor Josh** is in the office Tuesday – Friday from 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. Call the church office if you would like to set up a time to see him or just come on in!

If you would like to have **Offering Envelopes for 2025**, please call Erika at the office.

The **Flower Calendar** for 2025 is hanging up in the hallway. The price for fresh flowers is \$46.95. Silk flowers are \$5.00. Select your date to remember a loved one or to honor a family member or friend. Make checks payable to Prospect Street United Methodist Church. Let the office know if you order your own flowers.

**Serendipity Sunday School Class** – They meet across the kitchen in the basement.

**New Beginnings Sunday School Class** – They meet in the basement right off the elevator.

**Young Adult Sunday School Class** is meeting in the Upper Room.

**Teen Sunday School Class** - They meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor in the youth room.

**Upper Rooms** Devotional Booklets for January/February 2025 are on the table inside the main entrance to the sanctuary. **Price increase because we only order 2 large prints now.** Small - \$1.20 Large - \$3.50

**Service DVD's for Shut-Ins!** We have DVD's available of all our Sunday Services for anyone who would like to borrow them or have a copy. We are delivering DVD Players and the DVD's on Monday mornings! Call Erika in the office for information.

**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! If you have any questions, please call Erika.

**Attendance January 19:** Sunday School – 28      Worship Services – 22-68

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