

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

Sunday, November 17th, 2024
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.”

26th Sunday after Pentecost

Joshua Freshour, Pastor

*Please stand if you are able

Please silence electronic devices

WELCOME

Terry Huff

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!
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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

“God and God Alone” arr. by Mary McDonald

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Use this time to prepare your heart for worship

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: While we might want new carpets on the floor and new paint on the wall.

People: We come here not worshipping the building.

Leader: We come here worshipping God.

People: A clean new basement floor and clean new kitchen appliances are great.

Leader: But they mean nothing if they aren't leading to new and clean hearts in our lives...

People: And the lives of the community around us.

*OPENING HYMN

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

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**1. Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
let me hide myself in thee;
let the water, and the blood,
from thy wounded side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure;
save from wrath,
and make me pure.**

**2. Not the labors of my hands
can fulfill thy law's demands;
could my zeal no respite know,
could my tears forever flow,
all for sin could not atone;
thou must save, and thou alone.**

**3. Nothing in my hand I bring,
simply to the cross I cling;
naked, come to thee for dress;
helpless, look to thee for grace;
foul, I to the fountain fly;
wash me, Savior, or I die.**

**4. While I draw this fleeting breath,
when mine eyes shall close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown,
see thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
let me hide myself in thee.**

*INVOCATION

Holy Spirit, bring to us today a desire for humility. Bring to us today a desire to be authentic. Help us to recognize that while You desire from us to be our best, more importantly, You want us to be real, and You want us to strive to be better. Being fake and pretending that we want to be

better might fool those we are trying to impress, but we're not fooling You. Many in this world care about glitz and glamour and publicity and fame. But You, O God, concern yourself with service and humility, devotion, and care. And if we as a church are honest with ourselves and with You, then depending on who we are trying to impress, we will either find ourselves falling with the world or rising with You. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC "Every Step I Take" Children's Choir
"Jesus, You Are the Light"

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

WESLEY SCHOLARSHIP Lleyton Holsinger

OFFERING
Special Offering "Wesley Scholarship" see bulletin insert
Offertory "Give Thanks" arr. by Mary McDonald
*Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #95
*Prayer of Thanksgiving

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 13:1-8
¹ As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" ² Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." ³ When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴ "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" ⁵ Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶ Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he! And they will lead many astray. ⁷ When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

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

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE "*How the Mighty Have Fallen*" Pastor Josh Freshour

HYMN OF PRAYER "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" #334
**There's a sweet,
sweet Spirit in this place,
and I know that it's
the Spirit of the Lord;
there are sweet
expressions on each face,
and I know
they feel the presence
of the Lord.
and for these blessings
we lift our hearts in praise;
without a doubt we'll know
that we have been revived
when we shall
leave this place.**

**Sweet Holy Spirit,
sweet heavenly Dove,
stay right here with us,
filling us with your love;
and for these blessings
we lift our hearts in praise;
without a doubt we'll know
that we have been revived
when we shall
leave this place.**

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**

"Rejoice, the Lord Is King"
1. Rejoice, the Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore;
mortals, give thanks
and sing, and triumph
evermore.
Lift up your heart,
lift up your voice;
rejoice; again
I say, rejoice.
2. Jesus the Savior reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged
our stains, he took
his seat above.
Lift up your heart,
lift up your voice;
rejoice; again
I say, rejoice.
3. His kingdom cannot fail;
he rules o'er
earth and heaven;
the keys of earth
and hell are to
our Jesus given.
Lift up your heart,
lift up your voice;

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rejoice; again
I say, rejoice.
4. Rejoice in glorious hope!
Jesus the Judge shall come,
and take his servants
up to their
eternal home.
We soon shall hear
th'archangel's voice;
the trump of God
shall sound, rejoice!

*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

"Love Lifted Me" arr. by Mary McDonald

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Liturgist: Colleen McCartney  
Greeters/Acolytes: The Roszman Family

*Next Sunday Scripture: John 18:33-37 & Sermon Title: "Who is Your King?"*

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

The **Youth** will meet **today** from 12 – 2 p.m.

**Monday Morning Bible Study** will not meet **tomorrow**.

The **Education Team** will meet on **Tuesday, November 19**, at 6 p.m. in the Upper Room.

**Book Study – Wednesdays** at 5:30 p.m. and **Fridays** at 10:30 a.m.

The **Children's Choir** will practice on **Thursdays** at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary.

**Free Community Breakfast** will be held on **Saturday, November 23**, from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. This community outreach is sponsored by the Men's Prayer Breakfast group and the S.K.I. Group. This breakfast is free and open to all (donations will be accepted). If you have questions, please contact Bill Bess at 740-360-3965. Hope to see you there.

We will collect for the **Salvation Army Food Pantry** on **Sunday, November 24**. Suggested donations: **Thanksgiving/Christmas Fixins'**. Put your donations in the shopping cart in the back of the sanctuary.

**Noisy Collection** will be on **Sunday, November 24**, for the Neighborhood Supper Fund.

Next **Sunday, November 24**, we will celebrate our annual **Consecration Sunday**. It is on this Sunday that we vision and trust into the future of Prospect Street UMC by giving up and laying down our commitment cards (cards that indicate the commitment we are making financially to the church for 2025.) Cards are on the soundboard and in the pews.

**Mitten Tree** - It's time to bring in mittens, gloves, socks, and scarves to place on the Mitten Tree outside the main doors to the sanctuary till **November 24**.

Please join us for the **Hanging of the Greens** next **Sunday, November 24**, from 4 – 7 p.m. Light refreshments will be provided. Come and go as you please. Sign-up in the foyer!

**UWIF Executive Board** meeting **Monday, November 25**, at 2 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**Laundry Love Ministry** will be **Monday, November 25**, at 4:30 p.m. at the Southtown Cleaning Village, 355 S. Main Street in Marion.

On **November 27** at 7 p.m., we will have a combined Prospect Street UMC and Crosswood UMC **Thanksgiving Eve Service** held at Crosswood UMC. I invite you to be a part of this gathering of the faithful.

On **Sunday, December 1**, please bring an ornament to add to our **Family Tree** in the foyer.

The Marion Civic Chorus will present Handel's **MESSIAH** at Epworth UMC on **Sunday, December 1**, at 7 p.m. at Epworth United Methodist Church.

**Christmas Caroling** to our shut-in and homebound members will be **Sunday, December 8**. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall for a light meal after 2<sup>nd</sup> service for participants, then getting routes, song books, and setting off to bring great joy. Sign up in the foyer!

We are working on the layout for our **Church Directory**. If you have pictures of the church or any activities at the church, would you please share them with us so we can look at them and maybe include them in our new directory. Please contact Erika at the church office.

If you have any issues or received the wrong picture from **Universal Church Directory**, please call the church office.

**2025 Wall Calendars** are on sale again this year for \$8.00 in the Welcome Center.

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.

**We need 1 gallon milk jugs**. Please bring them to the office by the end of November.

**Pastor Josh** will be in the office Tuesday – Fridays 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!

**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.

**E-Tithing** is an automatic withdrawal from your checking account and is remitted automatically to the church. Contact the church office for more information!

**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 Players and the DVD's on Monday mornings! Call Erika in the office for 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 November 10:** Sunday School - 43      Worship Services – 30/92

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