



Adrian First
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Sharing God's Love
since 1830.

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Welcome All Love Deeply Serve Boldly

The Next Two Weeks at a Glance

Sunday, September 13th

8:15am Wesley Chorale Meeting
9:30am Worship Service
10:45am Directory Photoshoot
10:45am Seekers
11:30am Fall Kick Off & Potluck

Monday, September 14th

1pm Share the Warmth
6:30pm Handicrafters

Tuesday, September 15th

10am Quilters
4:30pm Chiaroscuro Rehearsals
6pm Leadership Board Meeting

Wednesday, September 16th

12pm STW & Hot Meals
1pm Staff Meeting
2:30pm Migrant Meals
5:30pm WOW Dinner
7pm LCC Rehearsal

Thursday, September 17th

11am Commodities

Saturday, September 19th

11am Artalicious

Sunday, September 20th

9:30am Worship Service
10:45am Directory Photoshoot
10:45am Seekers
10:45am Sunday School
11am Artalicious

Monday, September 21st

9am Congregational Care Meeting
1pm Fall Prevention Event

Tuesday, September 22nd

10am Quilters
4:30pm Chiaroscuro Rehearsal

Wednesday, September 23rd

1pm Staff Meeting
7pm Church Town Hall



God is up to good things in and through Adrian First United Methodist Church!

Invite a friend to worship with you this Sunday and stick around after worship for our Fall Kick Off Picnic and Potluck. We will have games and activities immediately following worship, with the meal beginning at 11:30 am. This is a fantastic opportunity to connect with one another as we prepare for what God has in store.

Adult Sunday School, Youth Group, Pub Theology, and other opportunities for study, service, and growth are beginning this month. I also will be leading a Bible 101 class Wednesday nights from October 7 – November 11 at 6:30 pm. Be sure to pick up a Fall Program Brochure to see what you might be interested in. If you don't see something that fits your interests or schedule and you'd like to potentially start something up, reach out to me at pastor@adrianfumc.org.

Likewise, if you are interested in becoming an official member of Adrian First and throwing in your lot with this crazy bunch of Jesus-loving people, let me know.

Over the next four Sundays, we will explore what it means to take care of ourselves, our neighbors, creation, and all that God has entrusted to our care. We've been given great power as stewards of the King of Kings, and with that comes great responsibility.

I look forward to leaning more fully into all that God has planned for Adrian First in this season as we welcome all, love deeply, and serve boldly.

It's a joy to serve alongside you!

In Christ,
Zack

Church Directory Photo Opportunities

Following Worship Services September 13th, 20th, and 27th, we will be setting up a backdrop in the foyer outside Fellowship Hall and taking photos for our Church Directory. We will continue the practice of having forms for you to fill out should you have moved, change phone numbers or have a new way you would prefer the Church Staff and Leadership contact you. Say Cheese!

Events

Altar Flowers

We are opening an opportunity for members of the church to share flowers from our gardens and homes to be provided as Altar Flowers for worship services during the summer and fall. Call Sally Glasser at 517-263-7128 to schedule.

UWF Donation Drive

United Women in Faith is looking for donations of books, jewelry, puzzles and Christmas decoration for a fundraiser to be held on Friday, 9/11 from 9am-1pm, and Saturday, 9/12 from 9am-1pm. Please bring your donations to room 4 by Thursday, 9/10. Proceeds to benefit McCurdy Ministries Community Center in New Mexico, which provides after school care, preschool, mental health counseling, summer camps, adult education and GED programs.

Artalicious

Our Adrian Art Fair is almost here! Adrian First UMC will again be hosting a booth on Saturday, September 19th. The Outreach Team needs volunteers to help children make a funny greeting card and talk with them about showing kindness towards their neighbors. This is a fun opportunity to connect with members of our community. You can sign up via this QR Code, on our website, or contact Sandra Harsh (517) 265-9284.



Adult Bible Study

Join us for a discussion-based class that after worship in Room 6, at 11am and conclude at 11:30am.

Seekers: meets every Sunday at 10:45am in the lounge.

Wesley Chorale Potluck

The Wesley Chorale is excited to begin the 2026-27 season! We will have a potluck on Saturday, September 12th at 5:30. Bring your significant other and join us in the Fellowship Hall. Pulled pork sandwiches will be provided, so please bring a dish to pass. Following dinner and socializing, we will rehearse a few musical selections to begin our fall season. If you love singing and would like to check this out, please join us. Please direct questions to Laura Langley at laura.langley71@gmail.com.

Fall Kick Off Picnic and Potluck

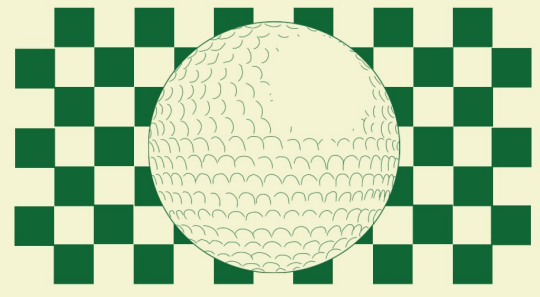
Come join us September 13th after Worship! We will have games and fellowship before we begin our meal at 11:30am, and run until 1pm. We will have good food, drinks and fun for all ages as we celebrate the beginning of our Fall Programming Season! If you would like to provide a dish for the Celebration, please scan the QR code here.



MINI GOLF AND ICE CREAM

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**MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
MINI GOLF AND ICE CREAM IS COVERED!**

SEPTEMBER 27TH | 2026 | **STONE MOUNTAIN**

**1102 W. RUSSELL RD.
TECUMSEH, MI 49286**

Adrian First Outreach in Our Community

Our Outreach Team has several activities planned. We would love for more members of the congregation to join us! If you are interested, please either call or text Sandra Harsh at 517-265-9284. These are great opportunities to grow in your faith while serving others.

Lenawee Pride

The Outreach Team will be passing out candy HUGS at Lenawee Pride again this year. We will meet at the Farmer's Market downtown at 4 pm on Saturday, September 26th. Church members are welcome to join us. Please contact Sandra Harsh with any questions. You can also just attend the event which runs from 3-8 pm. Our church is again a sponsor for the event as we live into our vision of Welcome All, Love Deeply, and Serve Boldly.

Opportunities to Give

Fishes & Loaves Food Pantry- Donations are welcome M-F 9 am to 4 pm in the foyer of Fellowship Hall or MWF 10 am to 3 pm in the pantry.

We are in need of: Tuna, Spam, Gravy, Cereal, Jelly, Canned vegetables, Hamburger Helper, Paper towel, Egg Noodles.

Little Food Pantry- Drop off in the Red Box outside of the nursery/ preschool rooms, or in the office. Take what you need and add as you are able.

St. Mary's Food Pantry- Open Mondays and Thursdays from 1pm to 3pm

We can use: Mac and cheese, corn muffin, beef stew, fresh produce from your garden and cake kits for families to celebrate birthdays together. Thanks for your continued support and generosity. August was a busy month at St Mary's Food Pantry. We assisted 208 families, among them 648 individuals, 219 children and 130 seniors. 26 new families came to our door to get some food in August. We couldn't do it without you!

Share the Warmth- Donations of items as well as volunteers are always needed. Top needs are disinfectant, toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, printer paper, eggs, whole milk, breakfast bars, coffee, sugar, creamer, non-perishable food items, cereal, bottled paper, frozen meat, Advil/ Tylenol, cold/flu meds, blankets, pillows, twin sheet sheets, and bath towels/ washcloths. Please contact Heather at heather@stwlenawee.org or call 734-625-005.

Prayer Requests & Updates

The Church office collects information for events, prayer concerns and publications daily, and often prints for Worship on Wednesdays, Tidings on Thursdays. If you have news to share or updates to add, please send them to the office by Wednesday during the week. Prayer list requests will be removed after three weeks unless otherwise noted. Please know that prayer is our foundation and everything we do is surrounded in prayer.



Current Prayer Concerns:

Karen Knisel, Don and Martha Odell, Ed Salazar, Jim Sauter, Huntleigh Leonard, Latrice, Joyce, and Zariyah McKellar (Adoptive family of Rev. John and Fran Kottke), Gini Tuttle, Rev. David Morton, Robin Curtes, Red Jacobs, Oliver (Cheryll Leonard's Nephew), Megan Rockwell, Jeff Rockwell, Cindy Rockwell, Sue Rockwell, Doug & Kathy Williams, Michaelyn Mankel, Abigail Romanelli, Briar Alan Maerkle (Great Nephew of Judy Plotner) and his parents, Benjamin Reid, Brett Mankel and his wife Aumim, Michaelyn Reid, and Michelle Ann Reid, Nick Whited, Todd Clark, Pamela Powers, Jim Caldwell, Ralph Marsai (brother of Carolyn Siler), Yvonne Raleigh, Pat Dunlap, Fred Kruse, John Thurman

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Ongoing Ministries

HANDICRAFTERS: 6:30 pm 2nd and 4th Mondays

GARDENING : 9:30am-11am, in the Memorial Garden
Tuesdays (weather permitting)

QUILTERS: every Tuesday from 10am-2pm in the Lounge

MEN'S BREAKFAST: 7:00am first Wednesday of month at
Family Kitchen

W.O.W. (Wednesdays of Wonder): 5:30pm -7:30pm every
3rd Wednesday

STITCH AND SERVE: 2nd and 4th Thursdays from 1 - 3pm

PUB THEOLOGY: 4th Thursday of each month at Red
Lobster@ 5:30pm, beginning in September

**Please check the online calendar for all information &
current updates.**

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The Congregation!

Rev. Zack Dunlap, Senior Pastor