

Activity Schedule—PLEASE SEE MORE DETAILS IN THE NEWSLETTER

Today	9am	Sunday Service Coffee Fellowship
9/12	9am	Fundraiser Meeting (Fall Dessert Festival)
9/20	9am	AD Council Meeting
10/1	9am	Kim Boss from the Wesley Foundation will be our Guest Speaker
10/8	2pm	Church Conference at Traverse Bay UMC *(all members are encouraged to attend)*

Our Noisy Offering for September is supporting The FSU Wesley House. It will be going to Ferris State Wesley House Students. We will also be collecting items for the Wesley House students (snacks, popcorn, ramen noodles, canned goods, etc.). A container will be in the Narthex. Thank you!

September Celebrations!	17th Dirk Renzema
2nd Stephen Donkers, Jr.	21st Chelsea Lloyd
13th Tom Bloxsom	27th Kim Kuncaitis



Welcome!
Williamsburg United Methodist Church
September 10, 2023



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Thank you to:
Pianist: Sally Eichberger
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Coffee Fellowship: Jean Ridge
September 3, 2023 Attendance: 17
Usher: Chuck Walter

Welcome to Williamsburg United Methodist Church!

Welcome & Announcements

Jean Ridge

Prelude

***Call to Worship:**

Jean Ridge

In the beginning God created all things,
and God saw that they were good.

At our beginning, God created us

unique and irreplaceable, loved and wanted by God, known and treasured by God even before He created us.

In all our new beginnings, God creates something new

so we will seek God in the freshness of this morning, in the laughter of friends, in the colors of creation, and in this beautiful.

Lord God, King of Creation,

open our eyes to see your presence, our souls to sense your presence, and our hearts to love your presence, ever here in your creation, and ever beyond it in eternity. Amen.

***Opening Prayer:**

Jean Ridge

Holy Creator, you created women and men in your own image to till the earth and help one another.

Give us hearts to continue tending to all that you have made so that the earth will sustain life for generations to come. Amen.

***Opening Hymn:**

“The God of Abraham Praise”

Red Hymnal #116

***Prayer For Peace:**

Pastor Matthew

Architect of the Universe, Your voice called out over the deep and darkness and brought forth light. Your voice called out over the waters and brought forth life. Your voice call out over this earth and brought our very beings. Your voice continues to call out in our Universe and bring new hope and life. Help us to hear Your voice above the hum of the highway and the buzz of the business talk. Help us to hear Your voice in the cries of children, in the soft tones of the sick, in the pleas of the poor. May we hear, listen and respond to Your voice in our lives and in our world. In Your name we pray. Amen.

***Hymn of Peace:**

“Creating God, Your Fingers Trace”

Red Hymnal #109

Scripture:

Mark 10:6-8

Jean Ridge

Meditation

***Hymn:**

“Morning Has Broken”

Red Hymnal #145

Church Moment:

“Annual Conference”

Pastor Matthew

Scripture Reading:

Genesis 2:4b-25

Pastor Matthew

Sermon:

“We Are Alive!”

Pastor Matthew

Unison Response to the Word:

We believe in God the Creator, who created and is creating everything: the universe, the world, the plants and animal, and us; each of us, unique, individual and beloved by God. We believe in God the Christ, who saved and is saving everything: the universe, the world, the plants and animals, and us: each of us, unique, individual and beloved of the Christ. We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who guided and is guiding everything: the universe, the world, the plants and animals, and us: each of us, unique, individual and beloved of the Spirit. We believe that this one God in three person, is present among us, working directly in our lives and the lives of all who are born into this world, striving to bring us back into harmony with all creation and the God: forgiving, healing, touching everyone, never rejecting any who willingly receive this freely offered gift of love and grace and eternal life.

***Hymn:**

“Breathe On Me, Breath of God”

Red Hymnal #420

Moment of Generosity:

Pastor Matthew

***Doxology**

Blue Hymnal #625

Community Praises and Prayer Concerns:

Pastor Matthew

The Lord’s Prayer

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“Hear Our Prayer”

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***Closing Hymn:**

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

Red Hymnal #384

***Benediction:**

Pastor Matthew

***Sung Response:**

“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” (v.1)

Red Hymnal #664

***Postlude**

Prayer Requests:

1st Responders
The Family of Denise Donkers-Graham
Sandy Chapman (concussion)
Allison Walter
Bob Murray
Shirley Lewis (back and legs)
Linda (Suzette’s friend)
Haedyn (Bloxson’s Grandson)
The People in Hawaii
The Family of Emily Thomas
Mildred (Rich’s sister) in hospice
The Family of Dwain Provins
The Family of Jeanne Boyd
Ethan Canfield (continued healing)

Sandy Davis
Kyle, Jessica & Amelia (Jaclyn’s friends)
The Family of Sarah Marolf
The Family of Elaine Ray
Joyce Burrows
Sue Maglena
Pattie Pasco
Connor (4 year old with brain cancer)
Maverick Bloxsom & Parents
The Family of Bonnie Barrett
Denny Bartz
Kendal Messner
Shelly Phillips (Leukemia)
Heather Hockin (MS)
Crossroads Farm