



# Williamsburg United Methodist Church

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Hello Williamsburg Church Family!

We are not firmly entrenched in Fall. The sunny days at the beach have passed but can still leave our snow-blowers in the shed for the time being (hopefully). The reason this season is often called fall is not necessarily because leaves fall from the trees. This is the season when Earth slowly falls away from the sun and light rays are lessening.

I think, like many of us who have made Northern Michigan home, Autumn is my favorite season. The leaves changing colors, crisp morning air, cinnamon and nutmeg flavors in my coffee, and stews and soups in the crock pot! It is also such a busy time of year, much like when our ancestors (and still some of us and our neighbors) work the harvest! I am not harvesting in fields, but with the start of school, Halloween, All Saints Day, multiple family birthdays, Thanksgiving, and preparing for Advent... this is still a busy season.

As we watch the geese flying south for the winter, I wanted to share this poem with you:

Delicious Autumn!

My Very Soul is wedded to it, and if I were a bird

I would fly about the earth seeking successive autumns.

- George Elliot

Friends, do not mourn summer for warm days will be resurrected next year, and do not worry about winter for today's worries are enough for today. Welcome this season when we can enjoy the accomplishments of this year, and share in our gratitude of all that God has provided and continues to provide.

Blessings,

Pastor Matthew

## ACTIVITIES

**Women's Ecumenical  
Retreat @ Sacred Heart  
Catholic Church  
October 21, 2023  
8:30-3:30pm  
Tickets \$25  
Includes Lunch  
Guest Speaker:  
Peg Arnold**

**Trunk or Treat!  
Saturday, October 28  
12-2pm @  
Traverse Bay UMC  
(trunks welcome)**



**Online Auction!**  
Opens Wed. Oct.  
25th  
Closes @ 10pm on  
Nov. 8th

**More Details on pages  
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Newsletter**



**Fall Dessert Festival  
Sunday, October 29th  
2-5pm @ Williamsburg  
United Methodist  
Church**

**Free Will Offering & Silent  
Auction**

**Church Conference  
October 8 @ Traverse  
Bay UMC 2pm  
Our new district title is  
"Western Waters  
District"**

**WUMC is a drop off  
site for collection to  
go to After the Storm.  
More information is  
on the Missions  
Board.**



**October's Noisy Offering is  
Supporting Freedom  
Builders!  
More information can be  
found on the Missions  
Board in the Narthex.  
Thank you!**



# October 2023

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9am Worship Communion Coffee Fellowship	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 9am Worship *Church Conference 2pm*	9 *After the Storm Collection 9-12pm*	10	11 *After the Storm Collection 9-3pm*	12 *After the Storm Collection 9-12pm*	13	14
15 9am Worship	16	17	18 AD Council Meeting 9am	19 Fall Dessert Festival Meeting @ 9am	20	21 *Women's Ecumenical Retreat @ Sacred Heart*
22 9am Worship	23	24	25 3pm All- Faith Svc. @ Samaritas *Online Auction Opens*	26	27	28 *Trunk or Treat @ Traverse Bay UMC 12-2pm*
29 9am *Worship Fall Dessert Festival 2-5pm @WUMC*	30	31 		*See more information on page 2*	<b>AA SCHEDULE</b> Monday, 7:00pm Saturday, Men Only 10am Saturday, Everyone, 7pm	



## OCTOBER CELEBRATIONS!

4th Mark Walter  
 4th Grant Hamilton  
 5th Sue & Pete Morrison's Anniversary!  
 10th Kim Likins  
 12th Shane Barrett  
 15th Brook & Janet Goss' Anniversary!  
 19th Jim Hockin  
 20th Jo Purdy-Kieft  
 22nd Marcia Clone

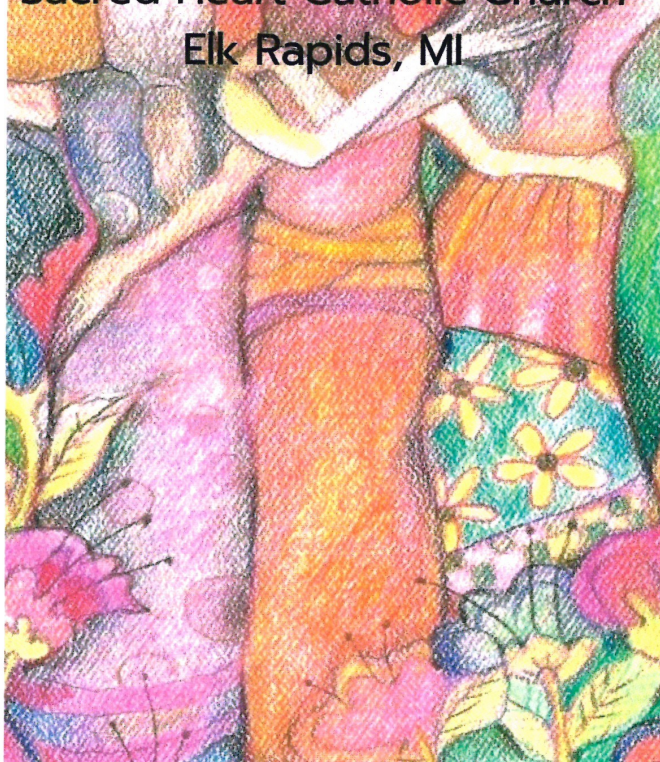
25th Jean Ridge  
 28th Gabrielle Gualtiere

### A WOMEN'S ECUMENICAL RETREAT

*Distracted Hearts, Devoted Hearts*

**Saturday, Oct. 21, 2023**

Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
 Elk Rapids, MI



## SAVE THE DATE

*Distracted Hearts, Devoted Hearts*

**SATURDAY, OCT 21, 2023**

**8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.**

**Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
 Elk Rapids, MI**

A women's ecumenical retreat is being sponsored by ladies of area churches in Elk Rapids, MI.

**Guest Speaker: Peg Arnold**

Internationally renowned,  
 inspirational and humorous Christian speaker

Peg brings Biblical sisters, Martha and Mary to life in such a way that we can almost hear the voice of Jesus speaking love to them. This message examines the distractions in life that draw us away from an intimate relationship with Christ.



**\$25 (includes lunch and refreshments)**  
 Grants are available.  
 Contact Judy at 231-838-4941.

To register visit:  
[www.erfpc.org](http://www.erfpc.org)

# Fall Dessert Festival

and Online Auction

Beginning October 25th– Nov 8th

Visit this website for information

[www.charityauction.bid/wumc](http://www.charityauction.bid/wumc)



**\*\* We will also be holding an in-person Silent Auction that day**

Join us for an afternoon of homemade desserts and fellowship.

**Williamsburg  
United Methodist Church**



**Sunday October 29, 2023  
2pm-5pm**

**Free Will Offering**

**Williamsburg United Methodist Church  
5750 Williamsburg Rd Williamsburg, MI**

**1/2 mile South of M-72 231 267-5792**



**Yummy Desserts with coffee,  
hot tea, apple cider and  
more.**







## Event Details



### ***Fall Dessert Festival***

Sunday, October 29th

2pm to 5pm

Cost by donation

Join us at 5750 Williamsburg Rd

### ***Online Auction***

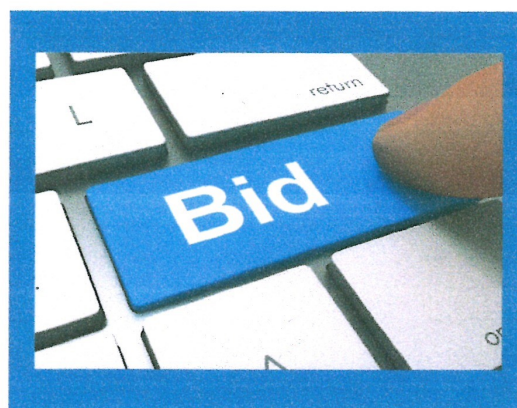
Opens Wednesday, Oct 25th

Closes at 10pm on -

Wednesday, Nov 8th

Visit this site to view Auction items  
and to place your bid!

***[www.charityauction.bid/WUMC](http://www.charityauction.bid/WUMC)***



### ***Auction Instructions:***

- Create a free auction profile
- Browse auction items and select your favorite to bid on.
- Place your bid & check your email for updates on new bids.
- When you have been notified that you have won an item you will be provided the option of checking out and will be contacted to arrange a item pick-up date/time.



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*I am the Way  
the Truth  
and the Life*  
John 14:6

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