



Blissfield First United Methodist Church

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Worship: 10:30 a.m.
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Welcome! We strive to be a church of "Open Hearts, Open Minds and Doors - believing that all people have a home in God's Church. If you are a first-time guest, we extend a welcome and invite you to write your name on the attendance pad.

I WILL NOT DENY YOU

PRELUDE • LIGHTING OF CHANCEL CANDLES • GREETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Please register your attendance using the registration pad at the left of the pew.)*

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsively.)*

Sing praises to God, O you saints,
and give thanks to God's holy name!
We exalt you, O God, for you have restored us to life!

We may cry through the night, but your joy comes with the morning.
You hear us, O God, and you are gracious in our distress.

You turn our mourning into dancing!
Our souls cannot be silent!
O God, our Savior, we give thanks to you for ever!

☒↑PRAISE SONG

HE HAS MADE ME GLAD

TFWS 2270

☒↑PRAISE SONG

BREATHE

WS 3112

The Modern Affirmation Creed (in Unison)

**We believe in God the Father,
infinite in wisdom, power, and love,
whose mercy is over all his works,**

and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.

We believe in Jesus Christ,

**Son of God and Son of man,
the gift of the Father's unfailing grace,
the ground of our hope,
and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit

**as the divine presence in our lives,
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance
of the truth of Christ,
and find strength and help in time of need.**

We believe that this faith should manifest itself

**in the service of love
as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord,
to the end
that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.**

↑GLORIA PATRI (Sung in unison.)

HYMNAL 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

↑HYMN

DEPTH OF MERCY

HYMNAL 355

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (*Joys and concerns are offered.*)

LORD'S PRAYER (*In unison*)

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY

HYMNAL 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER (Unison.)

Patient God, we cherish the scripture story of the prodigal son. You are always willing to accept us, even in our bleakest moment. You surround us with the hushed silence of your love. Like a compassionate parent, you wait to receive us in your embrace while we struggle to place you first in our lives. Multiply these tithes and offerings so that they open the ears of your lost children to your message of unconditional love. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen. Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

SCRIPTURE LESSON

MATTHEW 26:31-35

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MESSAGE

Rev. Kristen Coristine

↑HYMN

GOD OF GRACE AND GOD OF GLORY

HYMNAL 577

↑BENEDICTION

↑RESPONSE

HERE I AM LORD

HYMNAL 593

(Refrain)

↑ - This is an invitation for you to stand if you feel up to it.

- This means that the words to the hymn are on the screen.