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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU

Our musician today is Linda Missad (she/her). Thank you for sharing your music ministry with us!

PARKING LOT CLEAN UP

Parking lot clean-up for Hudsonville Area Pride is today at 11:30am. Join us and the HAP Planning Committee to help make our space festival ready!

HUDSONVILLE AREA PRIDE (HAP)

Pride is this Saturday, July 11, in our parking lot! To volunteer at our church booth please sign up in the Fellowship Hall or speak to Pastor Rae (he/him). Donations of Skittles are welcome for us to distribute as well.

PUB THEOLOGY

Pub Theology is coming up on Thursday, July 16. We will meet at 6:30pm. Location is TBD.

STUFF THE BUS

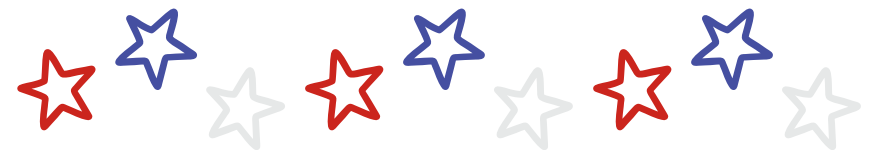
Stuff the Bus is here! Information and donation requests are at the table outside the sanctuary. Donations are due back to the church by August 2.

GIVING NEEDS UPDATE

Please continue to give at your normal or above normal levels for the summer. Your support is essential for us to be good stewards for our neighbors and of our building and staff.

PASTORAL CARE NEEDS/SABBATICAL

While Pastor Dan (he/him) is on sabbatical for rest and replenishment (returning Sept 15), please feel free to contact Pastor Rae (he/him) for any pastoral care needs. You can reach him at 616-822-0269 or pastorrae@hudsonvilleucc.org.



PRAYERS

Remember our elderly and home bound, anyone facing illness this morning, the families of Palestine, and all those who are grieving the loss of loved ones.

Mike Dykstra, Ken Haynes, Jim Eastman, Carol Sovereign,
Jon Larsen, Kendra Simon, Roger Wright, Al Wooton,
Rick Potter, James Takas, Kathy Breen, and Rockford UCC.

PRELUDE.....Original Composition

WELCOME AND SHARING OF ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: All who are weary and carrying heavy burdens are welcome here.

All: God is gracious, merciful, and full of compassion.

Pastor: Give thanks for the guidance the Holy One gives us.

All: We gather to listen for our still speaking God.

Pastor: With joy and gladness, let us worship as a community.

All: Let us be refreshed and renewed as we praise God.

OPENING SONG....."O for a World"
Hymn #575 (black)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT.....Ruth Lee (she/her)

PASSING THE PEACE

UNISON PRAYER

Eternal God of all nations and all peoples, bless us as we gather in your name.

Encourage us to build your kin-dom and spread the Gospel news of life and liberty.

May our cups overflow with your love. May our hearts burn in your presence. Be with us in this time and place. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING.....Matthew 11:25-30
Sue Dykstra (she/her)

SERMON....."Sharing the Load"
Pastor Rae Mieskowski (he/him)

UCC STATEMENT OF FAITH

PRAYER SONG....."This is My Song"
Hymn #591 (black)

PASTORAL PRAYER.....The Lord's Prayer
(words on screen)

OFFERTORY.....Original Composition

DOXOLOGY

OFFERTORY PRAYER

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

CLOSING SONG....."Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"
Hymn #347 (black)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE.....Original Composition

Land Acknowledgement

We, the members of Hudsonville Congregational United Church of Christ, acknowledge that our church resides on the ancestral lands of the Anishinaabek, the People of the Three Fires: Odawa, Bodewadomi, and Ojibwe for which they were not duly compensated. We honor their historic and current sacred commitment to the land of our Creator.

Open & Affirming Statement

Hudsonville Congregational United Church of Christ is an Open and Affirming church. We celebrate our human family's diversity of race, age, cultural background, physical and mental ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, family structure, education, faith history, economic status, marital status, spiritual journey, and life circumstances. Aided by this God-given gift of diversity, we strive to reflect God's unconditional love to all creation, and we affirm that all people are created in God's image. We welcome the full inclusion of all people in the life and ministries of Hudsonville Congregational United Church of Christ. We believe that God is still speaking and as Jesus prayed, one day we will all be one.

We recognize that the universal church has at times rejected difference and denied God's promises for itself and others. We believe we can love alike, even though we may not think alike. So, we boldly proclaim, "Welcome, ALL who seek God's life-giving grace. Come as you are, so together, we will make a world of difference.



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July 5, 2026

Rev. Dr. Daniel Furman, Senior Pastor (he, him)
Pastor Rae Mieskowski (he, him)



***No matter who you are or where you are
on life's journey, you are welcome here!***

