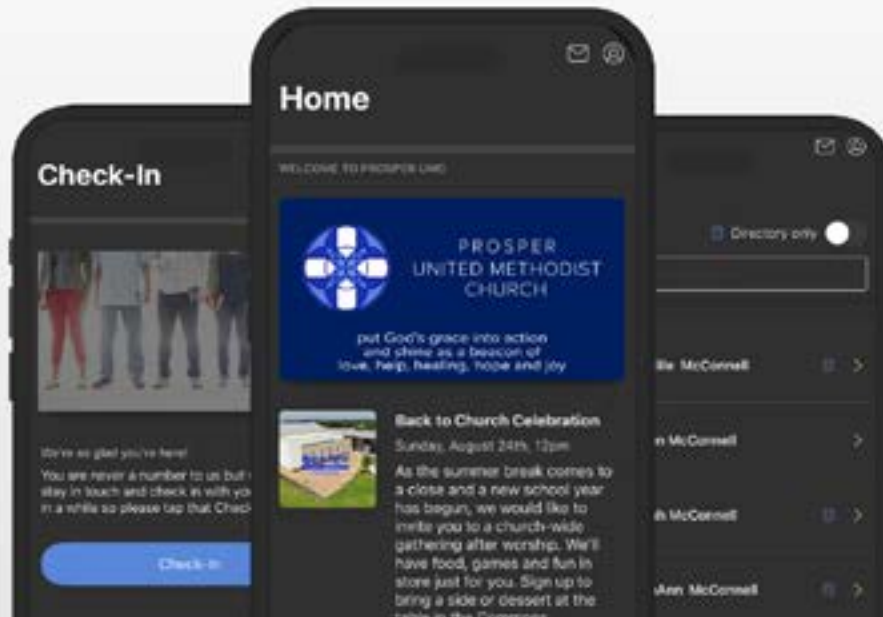


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# Ready to Get Connected?



Imagine a digital space where our church community thrives, connected and engaged like never before. Our new church app is more than just a tool; it's a bridge to deeper fellowship, spiritual growth, and seamless participation in everything our church has to offer.

With the app, you'll gain instant access to inspiring sermons, stay updated on upcoming events, check-in for worship, manage your giving, and find opportunities to connect with our directory.

It's designed to be user-friendly and accessible to all, regardless of technical know-how.

Embrace this exciting new chapter for our church! Download the app today to experience a richer, more connected spiritual journey, both inside and outside our walls. Let's leverage the power of technology to deepen our faith and strengthen our community together.

Learn more at [prosperumc.org/gettheapp](https://prosperumc.org/gettheapp)



## 3RD GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION

**Sunday, September 14th**

Have a child going in 3rd or 4th grade this fall? Let us know if he/she would like to receive a bible at the Bible Presentation on Sunday, Sept. 14th in worship. Children are also encouraged to attend Camp Bible on September 20th & 21st at Bridgeport Camp & Conference Center.

Sign up at [prosperumc.org/bible](https://prosperumc.org/bible)



## SUNDAY FUNDAY THROUGHOUT AUGUST

**11am Sunday School**

Every Sunday in August will have a fun event during the 11:00am Sunday School hour for Children's Ministry.

- 8/24 - Bingo & Boogie
- 8/31 - Rocket Games

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME AND  
ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *I Love You, Lord*, arr. by Krogstad Eric Breon

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN *Happy the Home When God is There* UMH# 445

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH UMH# 887

GLORIA PATRI UMH# 70

PASSING THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S TIME (11:00) Betsy Clark

MORNING PRAYER  
LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC *Give Me Jesus*, by Courtney Kaela Vance (8:30)  
Chancel Choir (11:00)

MESSAGE Doorposts: Inviting God In Pastor Jason  
SCRIPTURE Deuteronomy 6

HOLY COMMUNION (8:30)

INVITATION TO FOLLOW JESUS

CLOSING HYMN *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* UMH# 500

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *More Love to Thee*, arr. by Whitworth Eric Breon

Acolytes: Olivia Telford, Van Telford



## BACK TO CHURCH CELEBRATION Today, 12pm

We are excited to gather for a delicious meal and great community. We will gather in the Commons while the Sanctuary is transformed. Serving line for food will start at the children's area entrance.





## CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION OPEN

**Meets Sundays, 9:45am**

Confirmants are youth in the 7th grade or above who learn about the meaning of Christian faith, the history and teachings of the United Methodist Church, and an explanation of the baptismal and membership vows they will be professing. Classes begin September 7th.

Register at [prosperumc.org/confirmation](https://prosperumc.org/confirmation)



## ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR YOUTH COUNCIL

**Due Wednesday, September 3rd**

Applications are now being accepted for the 2025-26 Youth Council. Applications are due by Wednesday, September 3rd. Officer positions: Administrative Chair, Missions Chair, Leadership Development Chair, Communications Chair, Discipleship Chair

Learn more at [prosperumc.org/youthcouncil](https://prosperumc.org/youthcouncil)



## SUNDAY FUNDAY THROUGHOUT AUGUST

As we get in the swing of a new school year, we have some fun events planned for Sunday nights from 5-7pm.

- 8/24 - Laser Tag
- 8/31 - Pool Party

Learn more at [prosperumc.org/youth](https://prosperumc.org/youth)



## GROW IN FAITH THROUGH DISCIPLESHIP

We invite you to discover how engaging in a ministry can be the next transformative step in your faith journey. Moving beyond attending Sunday services, joining a ministry offers a unique opportunity to cultivate deeper relationships, not just with fellow believers but also with God Himself. These are not merely activities but avenues for spiritual growth, where through service, study, and shared purpose, you can deepen your understanding of the Bible, strengthen your prayer life, and truly put your faith into action.

Visit the tables in the Commons to learn more.

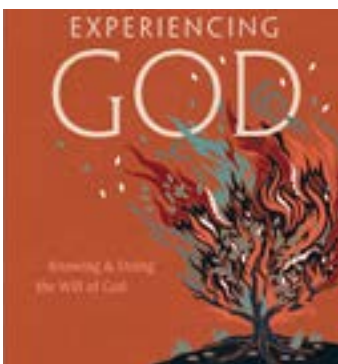


## TRIPLE SIX EIGHT GUEST SPEAKER

**Monday, September 8th, 6:30pm**

Methodist Women's Fellowship invites you to hear Terri Bond share the true story of the "Six Triple Eight" through the lens of her aunt, the last remaining member of this all Black-American women's battalion deployed overseas in WWII. Come discover how these courageous women made history by overcoming discrimination and war-time difficulties to tackle their mission: reconnecting soldiers with loved ones by sorting for delivery over 17 million pieces of back-logged mail.

Please register if we can save you a seat at [prosperumc.org/6888](https://prosperumc.org/6888)



## EXPERIENCING GOD STUDY BEGINNING

**Wednesday, September 10th, 6:30pm**

Do you long for a more intimate connection with God?

Are you asking or wrestling with, "What is God's will for my life in this season?"

Join us for Experiencing God, a powerful 12-week journey that will help you recognize God's presence, hear His voice, and discern where He's calling you to join Him in His purposes. Whether you've been walking with Jesus for decades or you're feeling stuck and unsure, this study will meet you right where you are.

Meets Wednesdays, 6:30pm in room 124. Facilitator: Gloria Ashby

## PRAYER CONCERNS

We believe in the power of prayer. We also believe God loves you and cares about what concerns your heart, and we care too. Please keep the following prayer concerns in your prayers.

Janet Smith  
Brett Smith  
Sherri Williams  
Kallie Covington  
Eddy Henry

Family of Trent Wilson  
Vicky Trumbull  
Janice Eiler  
Peace in Israel  
Peace in Ukraine

Interested in joining the Praying Tree?  
Subscribe at [prosperumc.org/prayingtree](https://prosperumc.org/prayingtree)



If you have a prayer concern to share with us, please submit at <https://www.prosperumc.org/prayerrequest>. Your concerns will be shared with the *Praying Tree*. A weekly prayer email listing of joys and concerns is sent out to members of the *Praying Tree* so that requests can be lifted up to the Lord during private prayer time and may be shared in the weekly bulletin.



### DID YOU KNOW?

#### A New UM Church Plant in Anna

The Gathering Anna is a United Methodist church plant that is forming in Anna. PUMC is providing some administrative support to The Gathering as they work towards their new location & building. For example, Jane Russell is volunteering to help them to develop their bookkeeping system.

Know someone in the Anna area that is seeking a new church? Send them to The Gathering!

Follow their progress at [thegatheringanna.com](http://thegatheringanna.com)

## BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY** - CHILDREN UP TO 5TH GRADE • VISIT [PROSPERUMC.ORG/CHILDREN](https://prosperumc.org/children) FOR DETAILS • TO CONNECT, [JENN@PROSPERUMC.ORG](mailto:JENN@PROSPERUMC.ORG)

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** - 9:45AM & 11AM

**COMMON GROUND** - 4TH & 5TH GRADE SMALL GROUP • 1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH, 4-5:30PM, RESUMES SEPT. 7TH

**YOUTH MINISTRY** - GRADES 6-12 • VISIT [PROSPERUMC.ORG/YOUTH](https://prosperumc.org/youth) FOR DETAILS • TO CONNECT, [YOUTH@PROSPERUMC.ORG](mailto:YOUTH@PROSPERUMC.ORG)

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** - 9:45AM

**CONFIRMATION** - 7TH GRADE & UP • SUNDAYS @ 9:45AM, RESUMES SEPT. 7TH

**YOUTH GROUP** - SUNDAYS @ 5PM, RESUMES SEPT. 7TH

**ADULT MINISTRY** - VISIT [PROSPERUMC.ORG/ADULT](https://prosperumc.org/adult) FOR DETAILS • TO CONNECT, [PASTORKELLIE@PROSPERUMC.ORG](mailto:PASTORKELLIE@PROSPERUMC.ORG)

**FAITHBUILDERS & JOURNEY**- SUNDAY MORNING GROUP @ 9:45AM, ROOM 149

**THE SEEKERS** - SUNDAY MORNING GROUP @ 9:45AM, ROOM 157

**THRIVING:NEXT GEN HEARTS** - SUNDAY MORNING GROUP @ 9:45AM, ROOM 108

**THIRST TO THRIVE** - WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY, TUESDAY @ 9AM, ROOM 149 OR WEDNESDAY @ 6:30PM, ROOM 108

**TRUE GRIT** - MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, WEDNESDAYS @ 11:45AM

**METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP** - 1ST MONDAYS @ 6:30PM

**MUSIC MINISTRY** - VISIT [PROSPERUMC.ORG/MUSIC](https://prosperumc.org/music) FOR DETAILS • TO CONNECT, [MUSIC@PROSPERUMC.ORG](mailto:MUSIC@PROSPERUMC.ORG)

**CHANCEL CHOIR** - REHEARSALS ON WEDNESDAYS @ 6:45PM, SANCTUARY

**JOYFUL NOISE** - CHILDREN'S CHOIR, KINDERGARTEN-5TH GRADE • SUNDAYS @ 9:45AM, RESUMES SEPTEMBER 7TH

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