

**Next New
Member Class**
**Sunday, February 8
following worship**

Membership is about taking a meaningful next step in your journey of faith

- Learn more about The United Methodist Church.
- Learn more about what it means to be a member of Grand Blanc United Methodist Church.

No Reservations Needed

YOUTH GROUP!
TODAY!
12:30-2:30p
Nerf War!!
We have all the supplies!
Join the fun!

Then join us this Friday, February 13 for our overnight beginning at 6pm. Grown-ups pick up your youth on Saturday at noon.
Bring your air mattress, pillow, sleeping bag and your best campfire stories!!

ASH Wednesday

**SPECIAL MEAL FOLLOWED BY OUR
ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE!**
Wednesday, February 18
Meal: 5-6pm
Pasta, Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert & Drinks
Worship Service begins at 6pm

Looking to Join a Compass Group?

We are excited to announce that we have a 4th Compass Group being added to the schedule on the 4th Wednesdays of each month from 6:00-7:30pm. This Compass Group will be hosted at the home of Brian and Shelly Gould-Rice home in Davison, MI.

If you have not had the opportunity to try a Compass Small Group, please know that you are still welcome to participate! Each Compass Group is held once each month at the Host's home. If you are interested in trying one out, please contact the church office at office@grandblancumc.org or (810)694-9040 with your date/time preference, and we'll help connect you with the host!

Compass Groups:



1st Fridays @ 5-7pm

Host: Tammy Martin

Location: Grand Blanc

4th Thursdays @ 5:30-7:30pm

Host: Nan Rahn

Location: Grand Blanc

2nd Mondays @ 6:30-8:00pm

Host: Angela Cook

Location: Grand Blanc

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Host: Brian & Shelly Gould-Rice

Location: Davison

Adult Sunday School is held at 11:15 in the Library using the UMC Religion and Race "What is" series. Each week is a different topic. Attend weekly or for the topics that interest you. Grab a coffee hour snack and join us!

Upcoming topics are:

2/8 What is Systemic Racism?

2/15 What is Antiracism?

2/22 What is Tokenism?



If you are interested in diving deeper into Pastor Brian's sermons, you may be interested in purchasing the book "The Story" by Max Lucado and Randy Frazee. This link is a good resource for this book: <https://churchsource.com/pages/the-story>

Today's sermon explores Chapter Five.

The church library copies are on display at the back of the Sanctuary. You are welcome to look them over or come to the church anytime the office is open and read our copy.

This is, of course, not required!!! This is just an option for those who would like to explore the topics further.

Please sign-in with your Connect Card!
Help us keep accurate attendance records!
Win a gift certificate!!

Just a reminder...you are always welcome to bring beverages into the sanctuary. Whether you brought it from home or if you helped yourself to the coffee or tea on the welcome center!!

February 21st, 2026, 9 am - 4 pm

KEEP DOING JUSTICE

Keep Doing Justice is a one-day event hosted by the Michigan Conference Board of Justice. The goal is to empower Michigan United Methodists to be better participants in seeking justice in our world.

This will be achieved through worship, speakers, and workshops showcasing justice-focused ministries in the Michigan Area UMC.

This event will be held at University UMC in East Lansing.

GBUMC has a number of folks registered.

If interested, please let the office know.

Recent Connect Card drawing winners with a gift card waiting for them on the desk in the church office:

The Rahn Family

Mike Heberling

Ron Blakemore

Be sure to fill out your Connect Card! You never know who's card will be drawn this week!!

Do you have a Blessing Bag in your car, right now?? Be sure to pick up a **BLESSING BAG** for our neighbors who are facing housing and food insecurities. Bags are available for you to take to someone or to keep in your car to share when you find someone that could use the bag and its contents.

You are invited to continue donating the following items, which you can bring to the church anytime! Razors, deodorants, bar soap, toothbrushes, socks, washcloths, and band-aids, as well as the following travel sized items: shaving cream, lotions, shampoo, toothpaste, facial tissues and hand sanitizer.

The support for this ministry has been wonderful!!

~You can find filled Blessing Bags on the shelves between the conference room and the prayer room (across from the bathrooms). The bags are on the top shelves and the bins on the bottom shelves are where supply donations can be placed.

We need gloves for our blessing bags!! Please donate any new or gently used gloves!!

**East Winds District
Lay Servant Ministry Classes**
Saturday, February 28, 2026
and
Saturday, March 7, 2026

Held at Lake Orion UMC
140 E. Flint St, Lake Orion, MI

Course Options:

- ⇒ Basic Course for Lay Servants
- ⇒ Discover Your Spiritual Gifts
- ⇒ Teaching Biblical Faith: Leading Small Group Bible Studies

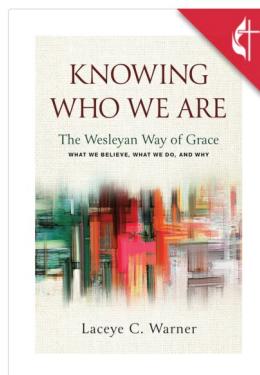
Knowing Who We Are: A Lenten Book Study on UMC Identity

Move beyond just being in the UMC! Fully discover what sets us apart and empowers us to work for justice and spread God's love!

Across the Michigan Conference, many are seeking a deeper understanding of our identity, our history, and our mission.

We will be studying "Knowing Who We Are" by Lacey C. Warner. This book offers a clearer picture of our Wesleyan way of following Jesus, focusing on core values like:

- God's full grace for everyone
- Real-life transformation—how your faith leads to positive, visible change in your life, your community, and the world.



Book: Knowing Who We Are by Lacey C. Warner

Dates: Six sessions starting February 24 and through March 31 (6 sessions) **These sessions are by Zoom, and hosted by the Conference.**

Time Options (Choose one):

Daytime: Tuesdays, 12:00 PM – **1:30 PM ET (end time was incorrect in previous bulletins)**

Evening: Tuesdays, 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM ET

Cost: There is no cost to participate other than purchasing a copy of the book.

⇒ Purchase the book and read Chapter 1 before February 24.

Sign up today to join the connectional conversation!



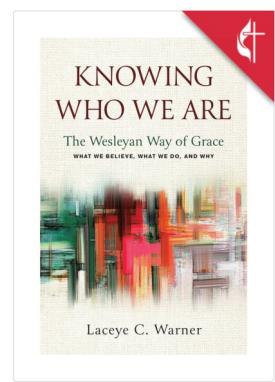
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