



1st Congregational UCC

Opening the Doors of Possibility

An Open & Affirming Church



Sunday, October 29, 2023

(September/October Reaching Out Focus: Hunger)

Make me an Instrument of Your Peace *St. Francis Prayer*

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

O, Divine Master, grant that I may not so much

seek to be consoled as to console;

to be understood as to understand;

to be loved as to love; For it is in giving that we receive;

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

it is in dying that we are born again to eternal life. *Amen.*



Welcome to our church family!

Gathering Music

Tolling of the Bell - our reminder to quiet ourselves inside *and* out for worship

Welcome

A Moment for Mindfulness - *led by Rev. Dr. Tom Cook*

Opening Hymn - #100 “All Hail the Power of Jesus Name”

1st Scripture Reading - Isaiah 52:7-10, *offered by Sabrina Roe*

Music for Reflection

2nd Scripture Reading - Mark 5:24-34, *offered by Sabrina Roe*

Morning Message - “The Risk of Reach,” *offered by Rev. Dr. Tom Cook*

Sermon Hymn - #466 “Take My Life”

Offering

Offertory Music

Doxology - *“Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Her above ye heavenly host,
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost, Amen”*

Morning Prayers

*“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 debts as we forgive
our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.”*

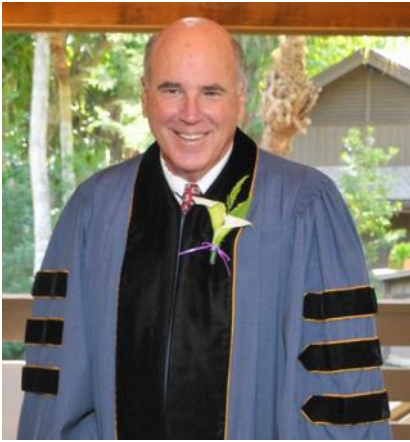
Closing Hymn - #529 “For All the Saints”

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

**Liturgist: Hugh Hansen*

Guest Pastor: Rev. Dr. Tom Cook



Rev. Dr. Tom Cook served Harbor Springs Presbyterian Church from January of 1988 to October of 2005 when he accepted a call to serve at Grand Haven First Presbyterian Church. Toby and Tom worked together in Harbor Springs. Martha and he raised their children Phil and Amanda in Harbor Springs. Martha has served as an administrator for Presbyterian Villages of Michigan and was the Assistant Director of Four Pointes in Ottawa County. They count six grandchildren.

Tom retired from Grand Haven and served two interims, in Elk Rapids and on Siesta Key in Florida. Martha and Tom live in Birchwood. Golf is not his favorite sport. He is an instrument rated pilot and is training to fly in the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Let's welcome him warmly to our church!

Volunteers Needed!

We are in need of volunteers to fill many of our open spots for the following areas, especially in December:

- * Greeters
- * Coffee Hour
- * Lay Reader



We know that you have had a busy summer, but your help in a few of these areas this fall and winter will mean a whole lot to everyone. Many hands make light work!

Please contact the office, or sign up on the bulletin board across from the office today!

All-Church Meeting Nov. 5!!



There will be an All-Church Meeting on Sunday, November 5, 2023 immediately after service, in order to elect officers and committee members starting in 2024. Your voice is very important, so please plan on staying and participating!

Thank you!

Sunday 10/29	Mon 10/30	Tues 10/31	Wed 11/1	Thurs 11/2	Fri 11/3	Sat 11/4	Sunday 11/5
10:30a In-Person & Live-Streamed Worship <i>Guest Pastor:</i> <i>Tom Cook</i> <i>Greeters:</i> <i>Pam Ballard</i> 11:30a Coffee Hour <i>Hosted by:</i> <i>Pam & Kenzie Ballard, Mary Duggan & Miriam Crump</i>	6p Personal Pantry	10a Scripture Discussion Group - Live & via Zoom 11a-2p CMA Hours	9a Reaching Out Meeting 5:30p Uke Group	11a-2p CMA Hours 6:30p Choir Rehearsal			10:30a In-Person & Live-Streamed Worship 11:30a ALL CHURCH MEETING 11:45a Coffee Hour 11:45a Board of Trustees Mtg 4p Free Movie & Pizza: "Jesus

**Prayer Requests/
 Celebrations:** To submit a
 Prayer Request
 please visit our website at
chxuucc.org or call the office
 at 231-547-9122

Please be sure to get
 permission from the person
 needing prayers.

Please continue to pray for the victims and the hostages of the war in Israel.

Please continue to pray for Janine Jones, Toby's sister-in-law, as she recovers from brain surgery.



**Please join us for
 Coffee Hour in
 Ransom Hall
 after service**



*Pam & Kenzie Ballard
 Mary Duggan & Miriam Crump*

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*Toby Jones, Pastor * Shelley Fisher, Music Minister
 Lynette Webb, Childcare Supervisor * Larry Minch, Custodian
 Stacey Luoma, Office Manager * Garrett Bice, Sound Engineer*

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