



**VBS AUGUST 10-14  
9 am – noon at NPUMC**

Registration is now open! \$40 per child; Families with more than 1 child will receive a 20% discount for each additional child. VBS is intended for children who are beginning kindergarten in the Fall of 2026 through rising into the 5th grade. Youth entering the 6th grade and older are welcome to serve as volunteers.

**Vacation Bible School  
Volunteer Orientation Meeting- Rescheduled Date**

A volunteer orientation meeting for Vacation Bible School will be held on **April 30th at 7:00pm** in the Multipurpose Room. We welcome those interested in serving as game leaders, snack makers, arts and crafts leaders, and other roles. To attend, please email Martha Piesko or sign up in Mercer Hall.

# YOUR GIVING MATTERS!

The Finance team would like to be transparent on our Financial Highlights for January-March 2026.

	Budget	Actual
Income	\$164,636.80	\$149,764.56
Expenses	\$199,374.95	\$185,941.82
<b>Deficit of (\$36 ,177.26) through March 31, 2026</b>		

**Highlights of the first Quarter:**

1. Our Easter offering raised \$8,464.77 from the congregation's generous donations. Half will be donated to support Samaritan Counseling Center.
2. A comparison with 2025 data shows that our year-to-date income is \$50,000 ahead of last year, which has positively impacted our cash flow.

Thank you for your continuing generosity toward improving our financial future. Let's keep planting the seeds for our generous future.

*Bruce Irey, Finance Chairman*

## NARDIN PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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April 19, 2026  
11:00 A.M.



**Tea Party**  
HOSTED BY THE  
CONGREGATIONAL CARE TEAM  
Tuesday  
May 19, 2026  
1:30 - 3:30 PM  
At Nardin Park UMC  
**SIGN UP IN  
MERCER HALL**  
To request a ride or volunteer to drive others, please contact Judy Blaney.

## Ways you can SERVE

*We are looking for volunteers!*

- \* **Ushers** – we are looking for 4-6 people to join this wonderful ministry of the church. Ushers hand out bulletins, greet people, offer directions to guests, & receive the offering. Contact Bob Elliott for more information
- \* **Church Van Drivers** – provide rides to worship services and some other events. Please contact John Gingrich if you are able to serve.
- \* **Focus Hope Coordinator** – help recruit volunteers to deliver food to seniors in Pontiac on Saturday morning, about 4-5 times per year. Let's carry on Bob Davis's mission. Please contact the Mission Committee or the church office if you are able to help.
- \* **Vacation Bible School (VBS) Volunteers** – to serve as game leaders, snack makers, arts and crafts leaders, and other roles. Please email Martha Piesko or sign up in Mercer Hall.

**NPUMC's Bike Ministry**

is seeking youth bikes for Methodist Children's Village & adult bikes for Sameritas

Please contact Pat Lange to arrange for a pick-up or you can bring the bike to Church.



More information on this ministry as well as Methodist Children's Village & Sameritas can be found on [NardinPark.org](http://NardinPark.org)

THEN  
*their eyes were*  
**OPENED**  
*and they recognized*  
**HIM.**  
LUKE 24:31, NIV

# Order of Worship

\*Stand as you are able

## Prelude

Jack Chefan

## Welcome, Announcements and Guest Recognition

**\*Opening Hymn** (*words will be projected*)

## \*Call to Worship

Leader: We need your presence on the long road, Lord.

People: **The road between fear and hope,**

Leader: the road between the place where all is lost

People: **and the place of resurrection.**

Leader: Like the disciples walking the road to Emmaus,

People: **we are in need of your company!**

Leader: Jesus, stand among us, in your risen power,

People: **let this time of worship, be a hallowed hour.**

## Children's Moment

Martha Piesko

## Offering

**\*Doxology No. 95 UMH**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Scripture** Luke 24:13-35 NRSVUE

## Response

*Leader:* This is the Word of God, for the people of God,

*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn** (*words will be projected*)

**Message** *Holy Heartburn*

Rev. Monica William

## Pastoral Prayer

### The Lord's Prayer No. 895 UMH

**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.**

**\*Closing Hymn** (*words will be projected*)

## \*Benediction

## Postlude

Jack Chefan

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- Martin Peltcs is today's **Lay Liturgist**.
- **The Steeple Lighting** for the month of April is in memory of Evelyn Bertram, with love from Jim.
- The **April Loose Coin Offering** has been designated to the Farmington/Farmington Hills/West Bloomfield CROP Hunger Walk, which will be on May 3, 2026, kicking off at Farmington First UMC.
- **UMH = United Methodist Hymnal; TFWS = The Faith We Sing songbook.**
- Please place your **cell phone** in silent mode.

*We're so glad*  
**YOU'RE**  
**HERE!**

First-time Guests, please visit the Welcome Center for a bag containing information about Nardin Park, upcoming events, and opportunities to serve and connect with our faith community.

## This Week at Nardin Park

### Sunday, April 19

9:00 am **Contemporary Worship** / Sanctuary & Livestreamed  
**Sunday School** / Children's Worship Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
10:00 am **Adult Sunday School** / Conference Room  
10:45 am First AME Sunday School / Chapel  
11:00 am **Traditional Worship** / Sanctuary & Livestreamed  
**Sunday School** / Children's Worship Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
12:00 pm First AME Worship / Chapel  
1:00 pm SAI Children's Program / Second Floor Classrooms  
2:30 pm SAI / Fellowship Hall

### Monday, April 20

10:00 am **Women's Study** / Conference Room  
6:30 pm **Nardin Ringers** / Music Suite

### Tuesday, April 21

11:30 am **Staff Meeting** / Multipurpose Room  
12:00 pm **Program Staff Planning Meeting** / Multipurpose Room  
1:00 pm **Congregational Care** / Conference Room  
4:45 pm Weight Watchers / Chapel

### Wednesday, April 22

9:30 am **Stitches of Love** / Multipurpose Room  
7:00 pm **SPRC** / Conference Room

### Thursday, April 23

10:00 am Samaritan Counseling Center Staff Meeting / Multipurpose Room  
10:00 am Pastor George's Clergy Study / Conference Room  
11:45 am Soul Stretch Yoga / Chapel  
6:30 pm **Hundredfold Band Rehearsal** / Sanctuary  
7:30 pm **Chancel Choir** / Music Suite

### Friday, April 24

**Office is Closed**  
9:30 am Weight Watchers / Chapel

### Saturday, April 25

7:00 am Weight Watchers / Chapel  
10:00 am Teen Distracted Driving Workshop,  
Facilitated by FH Police & First AME / Fellowship Hall  
10:00 am CoDA / Conference Room  
10:30 am CoDA / Multipurpose Room

**\*BOLD = NP events**

*Lord,*  
*Hear Our*  
*Prayer*

Do you have a prayer request or celebration?  
Text or call Pastor Monica to be added to the  
Prayer List: 248-672-7431.