

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF HUDSON  
Making Disciples of Jesus Christ  
18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

October 13, 2019 Pastor Audrey Westendorf Young

Welcome visitors and guests!  
Please read **bold** print aloud and stand at \* as you are able.  
Kindly silence cell phones.

If you have a Prayer Request, please take a moment to complete  
the green card and place it in the offering plate

**MUSIC FOR GATHERING** Melissa Boeschen

**BRINGING IN THE LIGHT AND CROSS OF CHRIST**

**WELCOME** Pastor Audrey

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** – Micah 6:6-8 NAS Pastor Audrey

One: We come this day hoping to encounter Christ.

**All: We come with burdens and questions that only He can answer.**

One: May we open our hearts to Him.

**All: May our lives be healed and strengthened for service.**

**AMEN.**

**\*BLESS HIS HOLY NAME** #2015 TFWS

**GOSPEL OF Luke 2:41-52 NIV** Reader

Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover. When he was twelve years old...after the festival was over, his parents were returning home...thinking he was in their company. When they did not find him...they went back to Jerusalem. After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. Then he went down to Nazareth with his parents...Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and with man.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Audrey

JOYS, CONCERNS, & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

#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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** How Great Thou Art Sherri Head

Sherri is an accordionist who has played in State Fair and other competitions. The song is a 'Christian Hymn based on a Swedish traditional melody and a poem written by Carl Boberg in Monstera, Sweden in 1885'.

**GOSPEL of John 3:1-21** Reader

Now there was a Pharisee, named Nicodemus. He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him." Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again." "How can someone be born when they are old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!" Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit." "How can this be?" Nicodemus asked. "You are Israel's teacher," said Jesus, "and do you not understand these things? Very truly I tell you, we (My followers & I) speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people (Pharisees & others) do not accept our testimony. I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven – the Son of Man. Everyone who believes may have eternal life in him." For God so love the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

**MESSAGE** "The Intelligence of Jesus" Pastor Audrey  
**Jesus the Psychologist:** Coming to his hometown, Jesus began teaching the people in their synagogue, and they were amazed and asked, "Where did this man get this wisdom and these miraculous powers?" Matthew 13:54 NIV and John 3:5-7 above.  
**Jesus the Philosopher:** Jesus believed that all of creation is from God; that it all has purpose, meaning, relationships. Matthew 10:29  
**Jesus the Theologian:** Theology is the study of God, man, redemption, prayer, immortality.

**OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS**

\***DOXOLOGY** "Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow" #95 UMH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow:  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

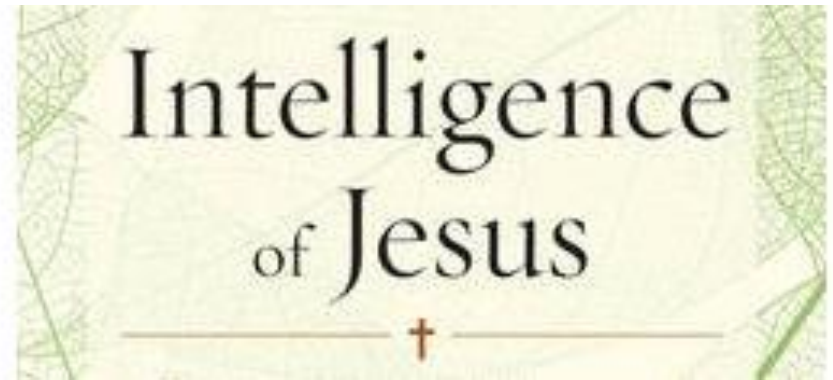
\***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** Pastor Audrey

\***FORTH IN THY NAME** #438 UMH

\***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING** Pastor Audrey

**GREETING ONE ANOTHER WITH THE LOVE OF CHRIST**

**MUSIC FOR GOING FORTH IN CHRIST** Melissa Boeschen



**Sunday, October 13, 2019**

**Today's Message  
"The Intelligence of Jesus"**

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Hudson, Iowa  
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**Vision Statement:**

***"Hudson United Methodist Church will extend and expand ministries in our Community through worship, hospitality and outreach projects."***