

Pastor Sherrye Bailey is a member and deacon of the First Congregational Church of Wayne. She is the Teaching Pastor and leads Adult Bible class and Faith That Frees women's class and assists with church services. She was born and raised in St. Louis, Missouri and was married to Daryl for over 37 ½ years until his passing. Sherrye is a life-long learner and credits her mother Bobbye for exemplifying God's love and providing her with a thirst for knowledge. Her key accomplishments include 7 degrees and/or certifications including an MA Ed in Instruction from Central Michigan University. In June 2025 she received her Lay Ministry certification. Sherrye has over 44 years of professional work experience as a preschool, elementary, and college instructor. She has worked at Schoolcraft College for 25 years and is the Academic Success Coach for Writing. Sherrye enjoys reading, painting, weekly card club, and watching old movies. Her protective roommate Lenny is a small dachshund with a HUGE Napoleon complex.

## MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH



As a Congregational church, Meadowbrook traces its roots to the Pilgrims. We continue to explore our faith as a people free to interpret God's Word according to the dictates of our own conscience and in mutual support and love of one another. Not bound by any one creed or statement of faith, Congregationalists are gathered around a local church covenant in which we promise to serve alongside one another as followers of Jesus Christ.

February 1, 2026

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 1, 2026

## PRELUDER

"Larghetto" by G.F. Handel

Dave Howland

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Sherrye Bailey

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of the Lord be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

## CHORAL INTROIT

What does the Lord require of you? Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.

\*Stand in body or spirit

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP (in unison)

Denise Parr

Leader: Let us follow the example of Jesus.

Congregation: **Let us praise God.**

Leader: Let us learn His many Ways.

Congregation: **Let us praise God.**

Leader: Let us walk in His paths.

All: **Let us praise God.**

## \*GATHERING HYMN

"Great Is the Lord" # 21

## \*INVOCATION (in unison)

Denise Parr

**Heavenly Father, as we gather in Your name, we invite Your presence among us. May Your Holy Spirit guide our hearts and minds as we seek Your wisdom and grace. Let our worship be pleasing in Your sight. In Jesus' name, we pray, Amen.**

## \*THE LORD'S PRAYER (using Debts and Debtors)

**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.**

## CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:

"Father, I Adore You" #244 (sing 3 times)

## SCRIPTURE READING

Jonah 1: 1-3 | Page #859 OT

Denise Parr

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

## ANTHEM

"Will the Circle Be Unbroken?" arr. by Mark Hayes

Chancel Choir

## A TIME OF SILENCE & MORNING PRAYER

Pastor Sherrye Bailey

## CHORAL AMEN

## CALL FOR THE MORNING OFFERING

Denise Parr

## OFFERTORY

"The Lord Is My Light"

Chancel Choir

## \*DOXOLOGY (sing in unison) #563

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise Him all creatures here below.**

**Praise Him above ye heavn'ly host.**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## \*OFFERING PRAYER

Pastor Sherrye Bailey

## SERMON SCRIPTURE READING: 1 John 5:14-15 | Page #241 NT

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## CHORAL RESPONSE

*A grateful heart is what I bring, a song of praise my offering. Among the saints I lift my voice: in You, O God, I will rejoice.*

## MESSAGE

"Going My Way"

Pastor Sherrye Bailey

## \*SENDING HYMN

"The Gift of Love" #292

## \*BENEDICTION

Pastor Sherrye Bailey

## POSTLUDE

"I've Got a Robe" Spiritual arr. by Robert Powell

Dave Howland

**MUSICIANS:** Dave Howland, Danny Reeves and Chancel Choir | **TECHNICIAN:** Moe Elmasry

**GREETER:** Michele Fecht | **LITURGIST:** Denise Parr

The flowers gracing the Meeting House this morning are given by the Hokett family in celebration of the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Meadowbrook's Charter Member service on February 2, 1986. May we continue to grow in grace and understanding.

We are pleased to welcome back Pastor Sherrye Bailey to Meadowbrook's pulpit.