

Saginaw United Methodist Church  
Worship October 10, 2021  
The Joy of Giving

**Praise**

**Prelude**  
**Greeting/Announcements**

Mary Guess  
Pastor Ramon Smith

**Invitation (8:30)**  
**Confession and Pardon (8:30)**

Merciful God,  
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have failed to be an obedient church.  
We have not done your will,  
we have broken your law,  
we have rebelled against your love,  
we have not loved our neighbors  
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.  
Forgive us, we pray.  
Free us for joyful obedience,  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**\*Call to Worship (11:00)**

Leader: We are God's church:

**People: We come together to worship.**

Leader: He has given us his Word:

**People: We come together to learn from him.**

Leader: He has filled us with his power:

**People: We go out to bring others to him.**

Leader: He has called us into his family:

**People: We come together to share our lives.**

Leader: He has put his words on our lips:

**People: We go out to tell the world about him.**

Leader: He has given us his Spirit:

**People: We come together to celebrate.**

Leader: He has showered us with his riches:

**People: We go out to share his goodness with others.**

Leader: He has freed us from our past:

**People: We come together to move forward.**

Leader: He has planned for us a glorious future:

**People: We go out to live our lives to please him.**

Leader: We are God's church:

**ALL: We come together to worship.**

**\*Hymn of Praise – Holy, Holy, Holy! #64 (1,2,4)**

**Affirmation of Faith**

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

Shawn Bell

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**\*Sung Response** – I'm Goin' a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing #333

**Prayer Concerns**

Pastor Ramon Smith

Pastor: Lord in your mercy.

**Congregation: Hear our prayers.**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer**

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.

**Children's Moment (11:00)**

Charity Dragna

**Proclamation**

**\*Hymn of Preparation** – O How I Love Jesus #156 (1,2)

**Scripture: Acts 2:42-47 CEB**

Pastor Ramon Smith

**Sermon:** Presence

**Choral Anthem (11:00)** – Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit

**Response**

**Call for the Offering**

Pastor Ramon Smith

**\*Doxology** – #95

**Holy Communion (8:30)**

**Call to Discipleship**

## **Sending Forth**

**\*Hymn of Invitation** – Rock of Ages #361 (1,2)

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

Mary Guess