

St. Joseph First United Methodist Introduces New Church Brand and Affiliation

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The congregation of St. Joseph First United Methodist welcomed in a new look and affiliation to kick off the new year! As the first recorded church in St. Joseph, this long-standing religious organization has worshiped with and served countless individuals since its start as a mission in 1830. Church members came together to help decide on a new name for their congregation after St. Joe First voted to affiliate with the [Global Methodist Church](#).

"Our church members are excited about this new chapter as we witness all the wonderful ways God continues to lead and impact our lives," says Pathway Senior Pastor Dan Colthorp. "Our new name and affiliation give us a chance to connect and share blessings with the Global Methodist Church members around the world, while we continue to offer high-quality worship, ministries, and missions that our church is well known for here at home."

Along with a fresh logo, website, and brand, Pathway members are proud to reveal the ideals that define their church.

Pathway Tagline - Journey Together in Faith.

Pathway Mission Statement – We are a family of believers committed to helping all pursue the way, seek truth, and find new life through God — the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Our Values – Pathway Church members and leadership learn and teach directly from the Bible, which encompasses the word and works of Jesus Christ. As followers of the Triune God, we live out our Christian values through worship, learning, serving, and helping others know Jesus as their Savior.

"We look forward to serving the southwest Michigan community as Pathway Global Methodist Church," says Pastor Colthorp. "We invite others, who are still looking for their church home, to join us at one of our services, Kids' camp, Bible studies, or help us serve those less fortunate through missions, like serving meals at the local soup kitchen, or donating items to our Blessing Box. There is no shortage of ways

to get involved here at Pathway as we faithfully follow the Lord, wherever he may lead us."

Pathway holds two church services on Sundays. Traditional Worship service is held at 9:00 am; Modern Worship follows at 11:00 am. Additionally, Pathway offers an adult Sunday school class at 10:15 am and Kids' Church during the 11:00 am service. Their next big community event is the Easter Eggstravaganza, which includes an Easter Egg Hunt and lunch. The public is welcome to attend. For more information about upcoming events, or our many other ministries, visit: pathwaymethodist.org

About Pathway

Pathway is a Methodist Church found in southwest Michigan. Located at 2950 Lakeview Avenue, in St. Joseph, Pathway members learn and teach directly from the bible, which encompasses the word and works of Jesus Christ. Pathway Church members participate in close to 50 ministries and missions that impact both children and adults here at home, and throughout the world. Pathway is affiliated with the Global Methodist Church.

Additional information about Pathway can be found at PathwayMethodist.org, or connect with us on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube.

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