

**Heritage District United Women in Faith
Prayer Breakfast**

**April 18, 2026 – 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
(Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.)**



**“Quiet Hope”
Finding Hope in Troubled Times**



**First United Methodist Church of Brighton and Whitmore Lake
Brighton Campus
400 East Grand River Avenue, Brighton 48116**

Guest Speaker

**Rev. Dr. Jennifer Browne
Clergy Assistant to the Bishop
and Director of Connectional Ministry**



**Registration: \$15
Make check payable to MI Conf UWFaith; write
“Heritage District” on the memo line.**

Mission Focus/In-gathering: Please bring personal hygiene items (e.g., bar soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, feminine products, razors, etc.) to benefit Bountiful Harvest of Livingston County. Thank you!

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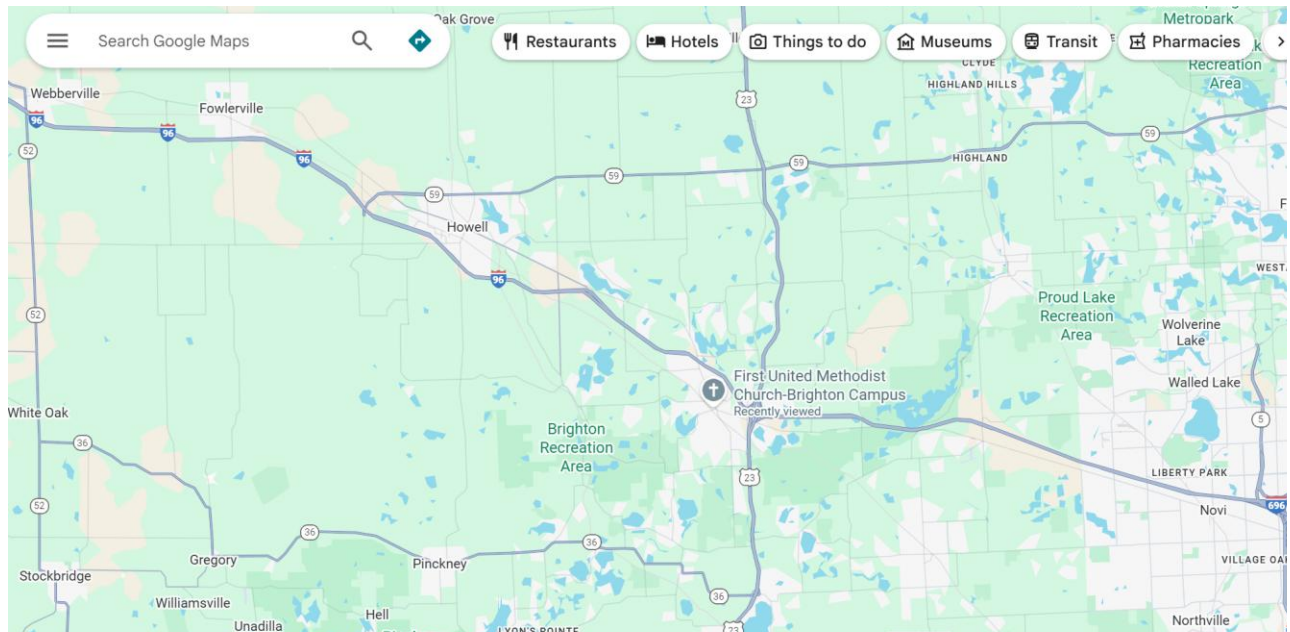
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**Send registration and payment by April 13 to:
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Phone: (517) 458-7367; email: carpshirley3@gmail.com**

**For further information, contact Vice President Karol Fry
Phone: (517) 525-6561; email: fry@msu.edu**



First United Methodist Church in Brighton, Michigan, is located on the north side of Grand River Avenue, just west of where Brighton Lake Road intersects Grand River, with entrances on both Brighton Lake Road and Grand River Avenue.



Speaker Bio:

The Rev. Dr. Jennifer Browne is currently Clergy Assistant to the Bishop and Director of Connectional Ministries for the Michigan Conference of the United Methodist Church. She has been a Conference staff member since 2018.

Previously, Jennie served United Methodist congregations in Jenison, East Lansing, Grand Rapids, Brighton, Climax/Scotts and Reed City, as well as extension ministries at Albion College, the Episcopal Campus Ministry at the University of Chicago, and the Presbytery of Lake Michigan. She began her vocation as an ordained minister in 1984 at the First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, in Battle Creek Michigan.

Jennie was born and raised in San Francisco, California, and attended high school in Bethesda, Maryland. She holds a Bachelor's degree in English from Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut; a Master of Divinity from Union Theological Seminary in New York City; and a Doctor of Ministry from The Divinity School of the University of Chicago. Her dissertation, "Gracious Acts: Ritual and Protestant Worship," focused on the importance of ritual and the manner in which it conveys meaning to and through the worshipping congregation.

Jennie is married to Eric Strand, Director of Music and the Arts at First United Methodist Church in Grand Rapids. They have five children, ranging in age from 22 to 37, and one grandson, 5 years old. She is a gardener, yoga practitioner, quilter and knitter, mystery reader and lover of all kinds of music.