#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Thank you** to our hosts/hostesses for Coffee in the Conference Room.

February 25 Sue Dostal, Josh Taylor, Sandy Blank March 3 Carol MacCourtney, Julie Savage March 10 Betty Campbell, Tammy Holland

IF anyone would like to volunteer, please contact the church office.

**Sunday School:** immediately after the 10:00 service in the conference room. Join Debbie Wallin as she leads a new video on the book of Joshua by Louie Giglio.

## Wednesday Dinner Main Dish:

February 28 Navy Bean soup compliments of Ana

March 6 Fried Chicken compliments of Pastor Dustin and Carrie

March 13 Taco Soup compliments of BJ & Nathan

**Lenten Bible Study** on Tuesdays at Noon and on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm. The cost of the book is \$10.00.

**Confirmation Classes** continue after church 11:30—12:30 pm.

**Pecans:** We only have the regular pecans left to sell. The are great for baking and snacking. See Mike Ballard to get yours today.

**September Club** will meet on Wednesday, March 6 at Noon in the Fellowship Hall. The main dish will be Chicken Casserole. Please bring a side dish or dessert. Annabel Dayhoff will lead the devotion

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"Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."



# February 25, 2024

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FEBRUARY 25, 2024 SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT/SCOUT SUNDAY

10:00 AM: WORSHIP SERVICE & GOD'S BIG HOUSE (PRE-K - 5TH GRADE)

11:10 AM: ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL (CONFERENCE ROOM)

To parents of young children: Relax! God put the wiggles in children; don't feel you have to suppress those wiggles in God's house. Consider sitting toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to engage. Explain parts of the service and actions of the pastor, musicians, and leaders. Sing the songs, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn behavior by mimicking you. If you have to leave the Sanctuary with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. You and your child are a blessing to the church and this congregation. After the Children's Moments, children are welcomed and encouraged to stay and be part of the service or if you choose they can attend God's Big House (Ages: K-5th Grade upstairs with Mr. Andrew and our volunteers) or the Nursery (Ages: Newborn to Pre-K on the main level with Ms. Sarah and our volunteers). As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

\*Congregation is invited to stand, if able.

**GATHERING MUSIC** 

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

\*Songs of Praise: Gratitude Trust In God

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: LENTEN TRAVELERS, WHO IS THIS JESUS THAT WE FOLLOW?
- P: HE IS THE MESSIAH.
- L: WHAT KIND OF MESSIAH IS JESUS?
- P: HE IS THE MESSIAH WHO TEACHES THAT HE WILL LOSE HIS LIFE AND WHO CALLS US TO LOSE OUR LIVES IN ORDER TO SAVE OUR LIVES.
- L: HOW DOES IT FEEL TO FOLLOW A MESSIAH WHOSE TEACHINGS AND CALL ARE SO HARD AND UNCOMFORTABLE?
- P: SOME FEEL FEAR AND ANGER, WHILE OTHERS FEEL UNCERTAIN AND ANXIOUS, AND STILL OTHERS FEEL RESOLUTE AND READY TO FOLLOW.
- L: LENTEN TRAVELERS, WE ARE NOT ALONE IN OUR FEELINGS ABOUT FOLLOWING JESUS AS OUR MESSIAH. IT IS A HARD ROAD. THE BLESSING IS THAT WE DO NOT TRAVEL IT ALONE.
- P: THANKS BE TO GOD THAT WE SHARE THIS JOURNEY WITH JESUS AND ONE ANOTHER AS WE LOSE OUR LIVES FOR THE SAKE OF THE GOSPEL TO SAVE OUR LIVES THROUGH JESUS, OUR MESSIAH, AMEN.

### **OPENING PRAYER (IN UNISON)**

Lord of presence and power, be with us on this second step of our Lenten journey to the Cross. Help us to make a commitment of our lives, our spirits, our hearts to ministry in your name. Amen.

CHORAL ANTHEM

CROSSROADS UMC CHOIR

#### A TIME FOR CHILDREN WITH PAM DEMOSS

This, this is where children belong.
Welcomed as part of our worship and song.
Hearing God's Word, sharing love all along.
This is where children belong.

RECOGNITION OF OUR SCOUTING MINISTRY

\*A SONG OF PREPARATION: MY TRIBUTE UMH 99 (2 TIMES)

SCRIPTURE: GENESIS 17:1-7, 15-16 (NRSV)

This Is the Word of God. Do you believe It?

Yes, we believe It.

MESSAGE DEPTHS OF LOVE: FOR THE SAKE OF THE GOSPEL
REV. DUSTIN MCCUNE

A TIME OF PRAYER

A TIME OF GIVING

#### \*Doxology

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.

\*A Song of Invitation/Anointing Service: Be Thou My Vision
UMH 451

#### \*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTIONAL SONG: THE BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace. Amen.

\*BENEDICTIONAL PRAYER

POSTLUDE