#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

 March 10
 Betty Campbell, Tammy Holland

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 Emma Walters, Myra Davis, Sue Sites

 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:

March13 Taco Soup compliments of BJ & Nathan20 Potato Soup/Grilled Cheese compliment of Alisha & Rick

Lenten Bible Study on Tuesdays at Noon and on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm.

**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.

**C.O.M.E.** : This week we are collecting baby wipes and deodorant for Ebenezer Community Outreach and The House of the Carpenter.

**United Women in Faith** will meet today after Sunday School. Lettuce and tea will be provided. Please bring salad toppings. Everyone is welcome.

**Thank you** to everyone who picked up a calendar for our General Budget fundraiser. The deadline to turn it back in is Easter Sunday, March 31.

**Common Grounds:** March 21 at 6:00 PM at Johnson Memorial UMC. Volunteers are needed.

**Loose Change Ministry**: Don't forget to collect your loose change. We will take it up again on the next Children Led Service.

**Directory Pictures** will be taken after Worship Service on Sunday, March 17 and Sunday, March 23.

Asbury Woods Middle/Jr High Camp- June 30-July 4. If you plan to go to camp, register by May 1 to get the biggest discount.



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# March 10, 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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: God Really Loves Us O Come to the Altar

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP LED BY BILL NIEMANN

- L: HOW AWESOME GOD'S LIGHT IS!
- P: IT POURS RAYS OF COMFORT AND HOPE ONTO THIS DARK WORLD!
- L: COME, DANCE AND REJOICE IN THE LIGHT!
- P: LORD, LET YOUR LIGHT FLOOD INTO OUR HEARTS AND SPIRITS!

L: COME, LET US CELEBRATE!

P: LET US BRING OUR PRAISE TO GOD! AMEN.

## **OPENING PRAYER (IN UNISON) LED NY BILL NIEMANN**

Lord, as we gather here, on this day of sharing, remind us that you have shared with us your most precious gift, our Lord Jesus Christ. Help us to model our lives after his messages of compassion and service to you and to all your world. In Christ's Name, we offer this prayer. Amen.

**CHORAL ANTHEM** 

**CROSSROADS UMC CHOIR** 

A TIME FOR CHILDREN WITH DEBBIE WALLIN

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.

\*Song of Preparation: We Are Marching (Siyahamba) FWS 2235B

SCRIPTURE: JOHN 3:14-21 (NRSV) READ BY BILL NIEMANN

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

# MESSAGE: THE GREATEST FREE GIFT OF ALL" REV. JOHN MASSEY

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: FREELY, FREELY UMH 389

\*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