

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- ◆ 2/27: Men's Bible Study (7:15)
Women's Bible Study (1:00) Circle of Hope (6:30)
- ◆ 2/28: Wednesday Nighter (5:30)
- ◆ 3/2: ETSU Benefit Concert (7:00)
- ◆ 3/3: Coffee & Cocoa
- ◆ 3/23: Easter Egg-Stravaganza
- ◆ 4/6: UMW Brunch

The Circle of Hope invites all women to meet Tuesday, February 27, at 6:30 pm at the Hunter's Lake Clubhouse.

Boy Scout Troop 36 invites the congregation to an Eagle Scout Ceremony held at FUMC on March 3 from 2-3 pm with a reception following. Our new Eagles, Abhradeep Chandra, Ayush Joshi, Ansh Patel and Neel Reddy thank you for the great support from church members and the use of your church for Troop 36 meetings over the years they have grown up in Scouting!

SAVE THE DATE! On April 6, there will be a UMW brunch hosted by the Circle of Friends. More details will be provided soon.

Food Pantry Items of the Month

For the month of February, the Food Pantry is collecting items to supplement food for our neighbors in need. The needed items are canned foods: chicken, tuna, salmon, Spam, fruit, and soup. Donations can be placed in the boxes in the narthex and the connector.

Prayer Cover: Fran Waterbury

Prayer List

Randy & Pat Adams
Gina Billings
Family of Charlee Blackburn
Laurie Blayney
Paul Bowman & family
Bob & Carla Brown
Catherine Cartus
Karl Cavanary
Finley & Judy Cook
Vernon Crawford
Eddie Deakins
Jackie Denny
Paul Duncan
Phyllis Eckerson
Vivian Eckerson
Tom Eorgan
Clint Ferguson
Cecilia Fleckstein
The Foster Family
Jim Furches
Betty & Earl Gouge
Casey Hamrick
Nora & Tony Haynes
Family of Anakin Hoyle
Scott Huff
Keith & Jean Jones
Joyce Josie
Deni Kiehl
Tammy Kosa
Linda Kostreva
Karen Martin
Family of Bonnie Marrs
Bob & Wanda May
Kent & Midge Merrill
Jim & CarolAnne Milliken
Tom Palmer
Ruby Payne
Bob & Athena Peebles
Carolyn Peebles
Bonnie Sampson
Bobby Seay
Family of Greg Simmons
John Staley
Mike Terry
J.D. Toth
John & Susan Trotter
Steve Uelhof
Anna Grace West
Manna House

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



Prelude "Ye Servants of God" Arr. Michael Burkhardt

First Things First

Call to worship

Leader: Servants of God, lift up your heads-

People: that the Lord of life may behold our eyes.

Leader: Servants of God, stretch out your hands-

People: that the Lord of life may bless our works.

Leader: Servants of God, purify your hearts-

People: that the Lord of life may abide within us.

Leader: Servants of God, draw near to God-

People: that the Lord of life may draw near to us.

Invocation

Hymn of Praise "Ye Servants of God" #181

Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Eternal God, we confess that we have failed to follow Your will.

People: Forgive us when our pride causes us to act in selfish and harmful ways.

Leader: Forgive us when we choose power over service.

People: Forgive us when we seek glory rather than humility.

Leader: Forgive us when we speak judgment rather than seek understanding.

People: Forgive us when we push ourselves to the front, rather than lift and encourage those who walk among us.

Leader: Help us to know where we are needed and how to best serve You and Your people.

People: Draw us to Your side, that we might be Your hands of healing and peace in our hurting and troubled world.

(a time of silent prayer and reflection)

Leader: As we repent, the Spirit gently leads us back to the path of walking humbly with God and serving our neighbor. So be filled with joy and rejoice in the good news of the Gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed to try again. Thanks be to God! AMEN

New Testament Reading James 4:7-10

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Reflection "My Heart is Yours" Screen

Mission Moment

Doxology #95

Gospel Reading Mark 10:32-45

Anthem "Lamb of God"

Sermon "Jealousy in Jericho" Rev. Jodie Ihfe

Hymn of Commitment "Lord, whose Love Through Humble Service" #581

Benediction

Benediction Response

Called by worship to your service,
Forth in your dear name we go,
To the child, the youth, the aged,
Love in living deeds to show;
Hope and health, good will and comfort,
Counsel, aid and peace we give,
That your servants, Lord, in freedom
May your mercy know and live.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, March 2 at 7 pm in the FUMC sanctuary: ETSU Music Department (Keyboard/Piano) Benefit Concert. Dr. Eva Pogar and six students will present a piano concert to raise travel funds for attendance at a national conference in Atlanta. Please join us for this special event and help support our local ETSU students!

Our church needs additional monitors for our Sunday services. The monitors serve approximately 4 times within a 3 month period (with others) to lock a specific door and greet late attendees. If interested, please contact Jim Heaton or a current monitor.

The annual community Easter Celebration and Egg Hunt will be Saturday, March 23 from 10:00-12:00. Donations of candy or other treats to fill eggs are needed. Volunteers are also needed for setup, clean up, and during the event. The Outreach Team will have sign up sheets.

wednesday Night Fellowship

Program: The Way: Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus
Menu: meatloaf, green beans, potatoes, salad, bread, dessert
Dinner begins at 5:30 and classes begin at 6:30.
Please make reservations by **Monday, 2/26 at noon** by returning the slip found in the pew pads or by contacting the church office.

Offering boxes are located at the front and rear of the sanctuary and in the narthex.