



United Methodist Church of Antioch

Transfiguration Sunday

February 11, 2024



PRELUDE

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| Today | Mardi Gras Sunday Worship 9:15am, 1 Service Only Handbell Choir 10:45am-11:30pm/Rm 101 AA 8-9pm/White Rm |
| Mon, Feb 12 | UMCAP 9am-2pm AA 10-11am; 8-9pm/White Rm |
| Tues, Feb 13 | UMCAP 9am-2pm 2:15pm UMCAP Board Meeting Bishop's Day on the District 6:30pm-8pm\Lombard UMC AA 6-7pm/White Rm |
| Wed, Feb 14 | Ash Wednesday - 1 st Day of Lent UMCAP 9am-2pm Worship 6:30pm AA 10-11am; 8-9pm/White Rm |
| Thurs, Feb 15 | UMCAP 9am-2pm AA 6-7pm/White Rm |
| Fri, Feb 16 | AA 10-11am AA 6:30-7:30pm; 8:30-9:30pm |
| Sat, Feb 17 | AA 6-7pm/White Rm |
| Sun, Feb 18 | Worship 8am & 10:30am Choir/Sunday School/Youth Group, 9:15am Handbell Choir 10:45am-11:30pm/Rm 101 New Members Class 2pm/Wesley Hall AA 8-9pm/White Rm |

~Please note, the worship service is recorded and streamed to the internet, and there are large print bulletins and Bibles available. See an usher if you would like one. Additionally, there are handicap accessible restrooms located in Wesley Hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-The office would love your help keeping the website updated with photos representing all the fun and wonderful things UMCA does. When you submit pictures to the newsletter, please take a moment to send your pictures to the office as well at umc.antioch@att.net

-Notice people wearing crazy socks today? This was done to bring attention to February's Missions Focus: Open Arms – Socks for the Soul and Souper Bowl of Caring are well known events that focus on local food banks, like Open Arms. This Feb, we will collect new, warm socks in all sizes for men, women, children, and infants in addition to packaged/canned soups, chili, crackers, and any other shelf-stable food item.

-The preschool will continue to offer silent auction items each month through the end of the school year. Additionally, the preschool is collecting empty bread bags. There is a bag in Wesley Hall for them. Thank you.

-Our Lent study will be a little different this year. Using *Lent & Easter with John & Charles Wesley: A Devotional Guide* by Steven W. Manskar, you are invited to join Pastor Katie on Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm where we will do that day's devotion together and then discuss how the rest of the week's readings have been challenging or interesting. Please purchase your own copy of the book (\$14.99 Amazon) before Ash Wednesday (Feb. 14) as the readings do start that day. If

you have any questions, please see Pastor Katie. Class will start Tuesday, Feb. 20.

-New Members Class: If you are interested in joining the church as an adult, Pastor Katie has a new members class planned for Sundays February 18, 25, March 3, 10. Each session will start at 2:00pm and last about an hour. After the class is complete, we will try to find a date that works for the people who have taken the class to join the church – either by baptism, profession of faith, or transfer of membership from a different church. Please sign up on the sheet in Wesley Hall to indicate your interest!

-The Prairie Central Spring 2024 Lay Academy will be at Plainfield UMC. Dates are February 18 & 25 and March 3,10, & 17. All five Sundays must be attended to receive credit. Contact Mary at mary.mecker@gmail.com with any questions. You can register at

<https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/newreg.php?eventid=786457>
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-Bishop's Day on the District. Join Bishop Dan Schwerin for a day of reflection and conversation on your district and to learn about the Bishop's vision for our conference. This free event is Tues, Feb 13 from 6:30-8:00pm. For more information, visit <https://www.umcnic.org/calendar/2024-bishops-days-on-the-district>

The Church Nursery is available for children 4 years and under. Please speak to an usher if you need nursery care. We follow our Safe Sanctuary policy, a copy of which is available in the nursery room. Also, children's activity folders are available by the Usher's stand.

PARADE OF SAINTS

When the Saints Go Marching In

MISSION STATEMENT (Unison)

The mission of the United Methodist Church of Antioch is to grow in faith, to worship God following the teachings of Jesus Christ, and to be instruments of God's love through the Holy Spirit as we reach out to our community and the world.

** Invites you to stand as you are able or to sit with gusto!*

***WE ARE WELCOMED TO WORSHIP (Responsively)**

L: Rejoice, people of God!

P: We come to worship, ready to celebrate!

L: Tomorrow may turn, so today we throw a party.

P: Lent is coming, but is not yet, so today we throw a party!

***HYMN Black Hymnal #2158**

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

***OPENING PRAYER (Unison)**

O Holy One, you know just how often we turn to stress in our daily lives. You know how often fear is the ruling emotion. Help us today to remember that your grace is never far away and that your love endures forever. May that always be something in which we can rejoice!

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN

Jesus Loves Me

WE ASK FOR UNDERSTANDING (Unison)

Oh, Lord, we are grateful that you share your grace in amazing ways. Thank you for helping us to learn and grow in you. As we think about how your grace goes before, justifies, and sanctifies, help us to understand and respond as best we can. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS -Romans 12:1-3

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned.

L: The word of God for the people of God.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTION

Rev. Katie Voigt

Sanctifying Grace

BAND SELECTION

Dixie Dudes

MORNING PRAYERS

Joys/Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY

***WE DEDICATE OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

Creator God of infinite patience, we see you in every interaction we have, in the face of every person we see, in every plant that grows and blossoms, every creature that runs or flies, in mountains and sunsets and in every drop of rain that falls. Creation is not something that happened once so very long ago, but something that is happening every day. As we share our tithes and offerings today, we pray you, through Jesus, will continue the work of creation in us, that we might become more tolerant, more forgiving, more generous, and more loving. We ask that we might be made holy by your power and in your strength. In that name, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, we pray. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN Red Hymnal #526**

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

***WE GO FORTH WITH BLESSING**

L: Even after we come to know Jesus Christ, we still need to rely on the grace of God each and every day.

P: The prevenient grace of God goes before us, inviting us back to Jesus. The justifying grace of God makes our relationship with Jesus right again. The sanctifying grace of God keeps us on the right track as we live the lives we want to live as followers of Jesus.

L: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

P: And also, with you. Amen.

***POSTLUDE**

Red indicates “The United Methodist Hymnal” *Black* indicates “The Faith We Sing”
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Worship Attendance/Giving for Sunday Feb 4, 2024

8:00am-46

10:30am-56

General Fund: \$10,199

Missions: \$100

Building: \$605

Boiler: \$2,355

Raccoon Cleanup: \$55

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

| | Today | Feb 18 |
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| Greeters | 9:15am only | |
| 8:00am | Jane Buck | Shelby Wais |
| 10:30am | | Pat Calkins |
| Ushers | | |
| 8:00am | Irv Metz | Jim Menzer |
| 10:30am | | Tom Kessell |
| Soundboard | | |
| 8:00am | Chris Shannon | Walt Cichonski |
| 10:30am | | Mike Lapke |
| Liturgists | | |
| 8:00am | Jane Buck | Denny Sathoff |
| 10:30am | | Margaret Zaller |
| Coffee Servers | | |
| 8:00am | LouAnn Holmes Carol Dunn | Sathoff Family |
| 10:30am | | Carol Frazier Nancy Zitkus |
| Church Openers | | |
| | Cichonski Family | Cichonski Family |

Thank you, Dixie Dudes, for joining us today and sharing your musical talents with us.

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Scan below for February's Newsletter



Please Note:

Deadline for the Newsletter is the 15th of each month-for the FOLLOWING month Send info in Word doc or body of email to editorumca@gmail.com

Next deadline is February 15th for the March newsletter.

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.