United Methodist Church of Antioch



2nd Sunday in Lent February 25, 2024

PRELUDE 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today Worship 8am & 10:30am

Choir/Sunday School, 9:15am

New Members Class 2pm/Wesley Hall

AA 8-9pm/White Rm

Mon, Feb 26 UMCAP 9am-2pm

AA 10-11am; 8-9pm/White Rm

Tues, Feb 27 UMCAP 9am-2pm

Lent Book Study 6:30/Wesley Hall

AA 6-7pm/White Rm

Wed, Feb 28 UMCAP 9am-2pm

AA 10-11am; 8-9pm/White Rm

Thurs, Feb 29 UMCAP 9am-2pm

AA 6-7pm/White Rm

Fri, March 1 AA 10-11am

AA 6:30-7:30pm; 8:30-9:30pm

Sat, March 2 AA 6-7pm/White Rm

Sun, March 3 Communion Sunday

Worship 8am & 10:30am

Choir/Sunday School/Youth Group, 9:15am Handbell Choir 11:45am-12:30pm/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 preschool is having their annual Butter Braids fundraiser. You can find the order form and envelope for your payment on the table in Wesley Hall. We will accept orders until March 10th. Orders will be delivered on March 19 and can be picked up between 12:30pm-2pm in Wesley Hall. If you cannot pick them up that day, your order will be clearly marked with your name and will be available for pickup from the church freezer the following Sunday.

Additionally, the preschool is looking for caring and patient individuals who enjoy working with children. If you would like to be a substitute, or to learn more about the position, please contact Kim at umcapreschool316@gmail.com or 847-395-1362. Thank you!

- Civil Rights Pilgrimage Lobby Day, April 18: The travelers on the Civil-Rights Pilgrimage last year will be going to Springfield, IL, for Lobby Day. They have a few seats available on the bus. Participants will visit their legislators to discuss racial justice and equity issues. The \$15 fee includes transportation and lunch. Training will be provided. Register soon, while space is still available at https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/newreg.php?eventid=785069
- -Free Methodism Course Offered "Radicle Methodism: Back to our Roots," a four-part, in-depth history course is now available from General Commission on Archives and History. It is a free resource available to individual United

Methodists, local congregations, annual conferences and anyone interested in examining Methodism from the earliest days to the present. For more information, visit https://www.resourceumc.org/en/content/radicle-methodism-back-to-our-roots-launches-today

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.

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: Our parents cautioned us to be careful who we followed.

P: We shouldn't randomly choose someone and then just do everything they do and say without evaluating their words and actions.

L: Choosing someone's life to emulate is an important skill that takes much discernment.

P: We will stop and think, we will study Jesus' words and actions before we choose.

*OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

Holy One, we have chosen incorrectly in the past. We have followed leaders we wish we wouldn't have. And yet, each time, you are still there, teaching us what it means to be a leader, what it means to be a wise follower, and how to serve in both capacities. Help us to take what we learn from you and share it with our wider world. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN Black Hymnal #2149

Living for Jesus

WE ASK FOR UNDERSTANDING (Unison)

In this season of Lent, we come to you, O Christ, looking for ways to do what might be familiar or what might be new. Help us use the Scriptural stories to understand to an even greater depth your love for us, O God, and how that love asks us to grow and change. Awaken us in these moments to a new awareness. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS -Mark 8:31-38

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those

who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

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

P: Thanks be to God.

REFLECTION

Rev. Katie Voigt

How to...Follow

CHOIR ANTHEM (10:30 Service)

UMCA Choir

Only God

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.

*DOXOLOGY #95

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

*WE DEDICATE OUR GIFTS TO GOD

God of Boundless Goodness: We have come to this place this day to worship you with our songs, with our words, with our gifts, and with our whole hearts. We are reminded that our discipleship decision involves more than what we bring this day to the altar; it calls us to a place where a cross that is ours alone must be picked up and carried. This, more than anything else, is why we need the community of your church. Strengthen us, we pray, not just to carry our own cross, but to help siblings carry their crosses as well. In the name of the one who bore his cross for us. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN Black Hymnal #2129

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

*WE GO FORTH WITH BLESSING

L: It isn't always easy to follow Jesus as he lives his life.

P: We will do our best to take up our own crosses and follow Jesus so that we will save our souls for the sake of the gospel of Christ.

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

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Worship Attendance/Giving for Sunday Feb 18, 2024

Raccoon Cleanup: \$10

Worship attendance for Ash Wednesday: 37

| WORSHIP LEADERSHIP Today March 3 | | |
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| C 4 | Today | March 5 |
| Greeters | | |
| 8:00am | Vicki Walker | Jane Buck |
| 10:30am | Sally Rodgers | Joanne Rae |
| Ushers | | |
| 8:00am | Wayne Buck | Jake Young |
| 10:30am | Jerry Topcik | Tom Kessell |
| Soundboard | | |
| 8:00am | Denny Sathoff | Denny Sathoff |
| 10:30am | Phil Georgia | Phil Georgia |
| Liturgists | - | _ |
| 8:00am | Leta Sathoff | Denny Sathoff |
| 10:30am | Jeannine | Margaret Zaller |
| | Leonhart | _ |
| Coffee Servers | | |
| 8:00am | Vogel Family | Jean Haling |
| | | Mary Geier |
| 10:30am | Caroline Adams | Marilyn Hall |
| | Margaret Zaller | Klingler Family |
| Church Openers | C | |
| * | Sathoff Family | Metz Family |
| Communion | 3 | • |
| 8:00am | | Linda Hensgen |
| - · - V | | Wayne Buck |
| 10:30am | | Lisa Shannon |
| | | Margaret Zaller |

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Scan below for February's Newsletter



Please Note:

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

Next deadline is March 15th for the April newsletter.

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.