



United Methodist Church of Antioch

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 27, 2022

A Time Together

PRELUDE

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today	Worship, 8am & 10:30am Choir/Church Chat, 9:15am PCD Lay Leadership Academy, 2-5pm UMCOR Sunday PADS Sunday
Tues, March 29	UMCAP on Spring Break Lenten Bible Study, 6pm/Wesley Hall
Thurs, March 31	UMCAP on Spring Break
Sun, April 3	Communion Sunday Worship, 8am & 10:30am Choir/Church Chat, 9:15am PCD Lay Leadership Academy, 2-5pm

~Please note, the worship service is recorded and streamed to the internet. Also, we follow Lake County Covid Guidelines, which encourages mask wearing for greater protection per personal discretion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

-Sunday School will be taking a Spring Break! In alignment with local schools' time off, we will not hold class Sunday, March 27th or Sunday, April 3rd. We hope everyone has a wonderful break with their families!

-Mike DeBenedetto will be leading a book study concerning race issues. Please see the signup in Wesley Hall for more information.

-The preschool is happy to announce that our Butter Braids/cookie dough fundraiser is back. Please consider supporting the preschool. Information and order forms will be on the table in Wesley Hall. Thanks, Kim & UMCAP Teachers

- UMM Lenten Breakfast & Communion Service

This is a reminder that the Prairie Central District United Methodist Men's Lenten Breakfast and Communion Service will be 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 9, 2022, at Our Savior's UMC, 701 East Schaumburg Road, Schaumburg. **All** men in the District are welcome! You need not be a member of a formal men's ministry organization (i.e., a chartered UMM group). If you are planning to participate, please email jmaxson@aol.com with your name and the church you attend.

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: Scripture tells us that the poor will always be with us. In fact, Jesus tells that to his disciples.

P: That is a strange one. Why does he say that? Why don't we fix poverty?

L: Well, those are large questions – and the trite answer is, because we're human, and we only obey the call to serve some of the time.

P: Well, there's some truth in that short statement. But, we guess there's probably more.

L: There always is. The poor have a complicated story. And it really isn't even one story.

P: We will try to listen and learn what Jesus has for us today.

***HYMN Black Hymnal #2146** *His Eye is on the Sparrow*

***OPENING PRAYER (Unison)**

Loving and Gracious God, we have a feeling today might make some of us a bit uncomfortable. The truth is, though, you probably would like that to be true of any Sunday. Some of us a bit uncomfortable, stirred to action; some of us comforted and reminded of your reassurance. As we come to worship you today, we ask you to empower all of us to serve you in ways that truly make a difference in someone's life. And now, O God, hear us as we pray as Jesus taught us ...

***THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)**

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.

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN Black Hymnal #2083 *My Song is Love Unknown*

WE ASK FOR UNDERSTANDING (Unison)

In this season of Lent, we come seeking grace in stories that have been told and re-told. Help us use a familiar tale and the Scriptural stories to understand to an even greater depth your love for us, O God. Awaken us in these moments to a new awareness. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

-Matthew 25:41-46; Matthew 5:45b

Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

...for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous.

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

P: **Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTION

Rev. Katie Voigt

This Great Human Invention

MORNING PRAYERS

Joys/Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

CHOIR ANTHEM

UMCA Choir

At the End of the Day

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY #95**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***WE DEDICATE OUR GIFTS TO GOD (Unison)**

When we talk about poverty and those who are affected by it, our hearts break. And, sometimes those people are us. We can't always offer much, but we give what we have. You challenge us Lord, to give out of our gratitude. So, today we bring an offering in these plates, in the electronic giving that has been collected, and sometimes of items in kind, to try to indicate how thankful we are for you and what you've done, and to orient our whole lives to you. Use what we offer today to help change the world so that people will have what they need. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN Red Hymnal #433**

All Who Love and Serve Your City, vs. 1-4

***WE GO FORTH WITH BLESSING (Responsively)**

L: Sometimes we just want to close our eyes and pretend the poor aren't there. If we ignore them, we don't have to share.

P: We can forget that their stories might closely resemble our stories, if not today then someday. We will do our best to offer grace and mercy to humanity.

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, March 20, 2022**

8:00am 32

10:30am 41

General Fund \$4,505

Building \$80

UMCOR: Ukraine \$200

Thank you, Paul Bleadow, for leading us in music today, and to all of you who continually give of your time, talents, and finances to support the ministry of UMCA!

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Today

April 3

GREETERS

8:00am	Shelby Wais	Judy Degand
10:30am	Sally Rodgers	Audrey Van Slochteren

USHERS

8:00am	Bob Raukohl	Dawn Vogel
10:30am	Jim Menzer	Dan Fluck

SOUND BOARD

8:00am	Walt Cichonski	Bob Raukohl
10:30am	Mike Lapke	Phil Georgia

LITURGISTS

8:00am	Shelby Wais	Wayne Buck
10:30am	Nancy Zitkus	Margaret Zaller

COFFEE SERVERS

8:00am	Carol & Walt Cichonski	Leta & Denny Sathoff
10:30am	Margaret Zaller	Cheryl Collins

CHURCH OPENERS

	Carol & Walt Cichonski	Leta Sathoff
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COMMUNION STEWARDS

8:00am	-----	Heather Menzer
10:30am	-----	Carol Dunn



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Please Note:

Deadline for the Newsletter is the 15th of each month-**for the FOLLOWING month**

Send info to editorumca@att.net in Word Doc form or body of email.

Next deadline is April 15th for the May newsletter.

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.