



United Methodist Church of Antioch

First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2024

PRELUDE *When Morning Guilds the Skies*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today	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
Mon, Feb 19	Office Closed Quilters 9am-12pm/Green Rm AA 10-11am; 8-9pm/White Rm
Tues, Feb 20	UMCAP 9am-2pm Lent Book Study 6:30/Wesley Hall AA 6-7pm/White Rm
Wed, Feb 21	UMCAP 9am-2pm Trustees Mtg 6:30pm/Wesley Hall AA 10-11am; 8-9pm/White Rm
Thurs, Feb 22	UMCAP 9am-2pm AA 6-7pm/White Rm
Fri, Feb 23	AA 10-11am AA 6:30-7:30pm; 8:30-9:30pm
Sat, Feb 24	AA 6-7pm/White Rm
Sun, Feb 25	Worship 8am & 10:30am Choir/Sunday School/Youth Group, 9:15am 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

-Please note, the office will be closed for the holiday tomorrow, Feb 19.

-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

-Our Lent study begins this Tuesday, Feb 20 at 6:30pm. Please see the sign-up sheet in Wesley Hall for more information

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: Sometimes life feels like it becomes an endurance test.

P: Why does it feel like God is testing us with all these different circumstances?

L: It probably isn't God testing us. It might just be life happening and we have to get through.

P: Either way, we will lean into God's strength and power to last until there is relief.

***HYMN Red Hymnal #269**

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

***OPENING PRAYER (Unison)**

Lord and Shepherd of our journeys in the desert, we come to you during this Lenten season as servants of Jesus Christ. We remember how you liberated Moses and the Israelites; we remember also how you liberated the prophet Elijah in his journey to escape from a corrupt king. Now, in our Lenten journey, we implore your direction, your patience, and your spiritual support. As you sent your angels to care for the Israelites, to the prophet Elijah in his journey, and to Jesus during his forty days in the desert, send them also to us in our earthly journeys. We ask in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN Green Hymnal #3045 (see insert)

Down by the Jordan

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 1:9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

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

P: **Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTION

Rev. Katie Voigt

How to...Withstand

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

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

Whom Shall I Fear (God of Angel Armies)

***DOXOLOGY #95**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***WE DEDICATE OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

Holy God, we bring our tithes and offerings to your altar, understanding that on the journey in Lent, we can't avoid or detour around the wilderness. It is essential that we hear Jesus call us to repentance! Bless our gifts for your unfinished kingdom work. Remind us, as we worship here, that this redemption of our lives did not come without a price; without our own repentance, we can miss the enormity of the gift Jesus gave. Knowing we cannot earn this redemption and forgiveness, this wiping clean of our

ledger, we can only hope to reflect such grace and compassion in our encounters with others. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN Black Hymnal #2105**

Jesus Tempted in the Desert

***WE GO FORTH WITH BLESSING**

L: Hearing the story of Jesus being tempted in the wilderness reminds us that there really is nothing in this life that we can go through that Jesus hasn't already undergone.

P: Jesus gives us an example of how to stand firm in the love of God in order to share that love with others.

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**

Mighty is Our God

Red indicates "The United Methodist Hymnal" *Black* indicates "The Faith We Sing"
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Worship Attendance/Giving for Sunday Feb 11, 2024

9:15am- 92

General Fund: \$2,364

Missions: \$37

Building: \$45

Raccoon Cleanup: \$20

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Today

Feb 25

Greeters

8:00am

Judy Degand

Vicki Walker

10:30am

Pat Calkins

Help needed

Ushers

8:00am

Jim Menzer

Wayne Buck

10:30am

Tom Kessell

Jerry Topcik

Soundboard

8:00am

Walt Cichonski

Denny Sathoff

10:30am

Mike Lapke

Phil Georgia

Liturgists

8:00am

Denny Sathoff

Leta Sathoff

10:30am

Margaret Zaller

Jeannine Leonhart

Coffee Servers

8:00am

Sathoff Family

Vogel Family

10:30am

Carol Frazier

Caroline Adams

Nancy Zitkus

Margaret Zaller

Church Openers

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Family

Sathoff Family

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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 March 15th for the April newsletter.

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.