



United Methodist Church of Antioch

1st Sunday in Lent

February 22, 2026

PRELUDE *Amazing Grace*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sun, Feb. 22 Worship 8am & 10:30am
Choir/Sunday School/Church Chat 9:15am
New Members Class 2pm/Wesley Hall
AA 8-9pm/White Rm 102
- Mon, Feb. 23 AA 6-7pm & 8-9pm/White Rm 102
- Tues, Feb. 24 Bible Study 4-5pm/Wesley Hall
AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102
- Wed, Feb. 25 Church Conference/Council Mtg 6:30pm
-Meeting in Wesley Hall
AA 6-7pm & 8-9pm/White Rm 102
- Thurs, Feb. 26 AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102
- Fri, Feb. 27 AA 6:30-7:30pm/White Rm 102
- Sat, Feb. 28 Feed My Starving Children 11:30am-1:15pm
-In Libertyville
AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102
- Sun, Mar. 1 Worship 8am & 10:30am
Choir/Sunday School/Church Chat 9:15am
New Members Class 2pm/Wesley Hall
AA 8-9pm/White Rm 102

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-Missions February focus: The *Veterans Closet* needs our help! February calendars are available and a poster is in Wesley Hall for items from the *Veteran's Closet* wish list. There are carts labeled in Wesley Hall for collecting donations.

-A New Members Class is starting today! The classes will be on February 22nd, and March 1st, 8th, and 15th at 2pm. Please talk to Pastor Katie if you are interested!

-We still have a couple of parts available for our weekly Lenten skits. Please see Nicole if you can help.

-A Special Church Conference has been called for ***this Wednesday, February 25th, at 6:30pm*** (our regularly scheduled Church Council night) for the purpose of amending the resolution that established our Endowment Fund.

-Reminder: Feed My Starving Children is Sat., Feb. 28th from 11:30a-1:15p in Libertyville if you signed up!

-2026 Prairie Central Spring Lay Academy is coming up! Classes will be on Sundays, March 1, 8, 15, and 22 from 2-5pm. Each class is \$40 and includes your book and snacks. There are 4 classes available: "Basic Course," "Living Our United Methodist Beliefs (Heritage)," "Called to Preach," and "Dancing with Words." For more information, see the flyer on the table in Wesley Hall or visit: <https://www.umcnic.org/calendar/prairie-central-lay-academy-spring-2026>

-The Northern Illinois Conference of United Methodist Men invite the men in our congregation to join their 2026 Annual Meeting and Communion Service from 8:30-11am on Saturday, March 7th, at First Church Crystal Lake. For more information, please see the flyer on the table in Wesley Hall!

-Interested in applying for scholarships from The United Methodist Church? Many scholarship deadlines are the first week in March. You can explore scholarship options with this link: <https://www.umcnic.org/grants>

-The Northern Illinois Conference is launching the #BeUMC Awards for the upcoming Annual Conference! NIC will present #BeUMC Awards in 3 categories: an outstanding layperson, an outstanding clergy member, and an outstanding congregation. The deadline to submit a nomination is April 15th. For more information and access to nomination forms visit:

<https://www.umcnic.org/news/announcing-the-beumc-awards>

-Mark your calendars for the Prairie Central Training, “Culture Shift: Cultivating Healthy Congregations **Part 2!**” This is a free follow-up training that builds on the training from January 31st. This event will be on Sunday, May 3rd, from 2-5:30pm at Barrington UMC. For more details, see the flyer on the table in Wesley Hall or visit: <https://www.umcnic.org/calendar/prairie-central-training-culture-shift-part-2>

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: Lent is a season of reflection and renewal; a season of reconciliation and forgiveness so that we all might be restored to a right relationship with God and each other.

P: We struggle with forgiveness. We want it for ourselves and those we love, when we fail, but we aren’t so sure about others. There are certain people and certain crimes...

L: So today we are invited to commit ourselves to what we can control, our own behavior, and our own sin. We can ask for forgiveness and seek restoration with those we have hurt.

P: All of us are reminded during this season of fasting and self-denial that we all have fallen short of the glory of God. We all need God's forgiveness.

L: And so we come to find the balm that Jesus offers in word and deed, in his teaching and his table fellowship.

P: We will read God's Word, we will listen to Jesus teach, we will examine ourselves and we will allow the Word of God to change us during this season of Lent as we open ourselves, once again, to the Holy Spirit.

***HYMN Black Hymnal #2111**

We Sang Our Glad Hosannas vs. 1-4

***OPENING PRAYER (Unison)**

Powerful God, we come today knowing that the season of Lent isn't always full of the joy of other seasons. But we know that we need some time where we hear your call to correct in us what needs correcting, to come back to you from where we have turned away. Draw us near to you during this season. Make our hearts look just like yours. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN Red Hymnal #389

Freely, Freely

WE ASK FOR UNDERSTANDING (Unison)

Almighty God, we pause now, knowing that the next section of worship will challenge us. We struggle with justice and mercy. We struggle with forgiveness. May the Scriptures we read and the skit we engage with open us to your teaching. Amen.

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

– Hebrews 4:12-16 & John 6:63-71

Indeed, the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.



It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the beginning who were the ones who did not believe and who was the one who would betray him. And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.”

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.” Jesus answered them, “Did I not choose you, the twelve? Yet one of you is a devil.” He was speaking of Judas son of Simon Iscariot, for he, though one of the twelve, was going to betray him.

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

P: **Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTION <i>The People Vs. Judas Iscariot</i> <i>Act I</i>

CHOIR ANTHEM (10:30 Service)

UMCA Choir

My Shepherd Knows

MORNING PRAYERS

Joys/Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

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.

OFFERTORY

There Is a Fountain

***DOXOLOGY #95**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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

Surprising God of Mercy, you meet us in wilderness places and walk beside us through trial and temptation. Even when we feel alone, your grace is never far, your presence never absent. In this moment of giving, we offer not just our resources, but our trust that you are already at work, shaping us through challenge, strengthening us through sacrifice, and surrounding us with unseen angels. Use these gifts to bring hope where there is hunger, healing where there is pain, and light where there is despair. May what we give reflect our desire to walk more closely with you, even in the hard places. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN Red Hymnal #140**

Great is Thy Faithfulness

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

L: As we faithfully follow, God's truth will rise to the surface.

P: We will work on pointing people to Jesus' truth.

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**

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

Red indicates "The United Methodist Hymnal"

Black indicates "The Faith We Sing"

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Worship Attendance/Giving for Sunday

February 15, 2026

9:15am- 76

General Fund: \$5,437.02

UMCAP: \$10

Building: \$155

Air Conditioner: \$150

Food Pantry: \$50

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

February 22

March 1

Greeters

8:00am

Shelby Wais

Vicki Walker

10:30am

Susan Antonelli

Pat Calkins

Ushers

8:00am

Jim Menzer

Wayne Buck

10:30am

Tom Kessell

Tom Kessell

Soundboard

8:00am

Denny Sathoff

Denny Sathoff

10:30am

Mike Lapke

Chris Shannon

Liturgists

8:00am

Wayne Buck

Linda Hensgen

10:30am

Joanne Rae

Judy Tetour

Coffee Servers

8:00am

Marty Garrett

LouAnn Holmes

Jean Haling

Joe Rossdeutcher

10:30am

Nancy & Joanne Rae

Ardy Lange

Margaret Zaller

Openers

Metz Family

Sathoff Family

Prayer Card

8:00am

Shelby Wais

Nancy Colby

10:30am

(Needed)

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Communion

8:00am

Carol & Walt

Cichonski

10:30am

Joanna & Rick

Carlberg

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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.

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