



United Methodist Church of Antioch

5th Sunday in Lent

April 6, 2025

PRELUDE

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun, April 6

Worship 8am & 10:30am- Pretzel Sunday
@10:30am service!

Choir/Sunday School/Church Chat 9:15am
Handbells 11:45a

Confirmation Class 3-4pm/Wesley Hall
AA 8-9pm/White Rm 102

Mon, April 7

Quilting 9a-12p/Green Rm 104
AA 8-9pm/White Rm 102

Tues, April 8

Antioch High School Religious Forum 9a-
12:30p

UMCAP Board Mtg. 2:15pm/Kitchen
Bible Study 5pm/Wesley Hall

AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102

Wed, April 9

AA 7-8pm & 8-9pm/White Rm 102

Thurs, April 10

Golden Gems Mtg 10-11a/Kitchen
AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102

Fri, April 11

AA 6:30-7:30pm/White Rm 102

Sat, April 12

AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102

Sun, April 13

Worship 8am & 10:30am

Palm Sunday

Choir/Sunday School/Church Chat 9:15am
Handbells 11:45a

Confirmation Class 3-4pm/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

-If you ordered from the preschool Butter Braid Fundraiser, don't forget to pick them up **today!** Orders will be in the church freezer!

-Easter lilies have been ordered for our sanctuary. As per tradition, you may make an offering toward the flowers of any amount in honor of a loved one. Flower envelopes are available at the usher's stand. **Please print clearly the name and "in honor of" or "in memory of."** Mark your envelope **"flowers."** The names of those honored will be in our bulletin on Easter Sunday. Please turn your names into the office by ***Monday, April 14.*** Flowers will be available to take home following the 2nd Easter service.

-The April Missions project is Fairchild Hall Veterans Housing and Recovery Program. We will be preparing and delivering a meal on April 28th at 11:30am for 20+ veterans. We will also be delivering any donations collected. Wish lists for donations can be found in Wesley Hall. Any frozen food donations should be brought to the church on April 27th only.

-Golden Gems Luncheons dates are determined! Luncheons will be on May 8th, July 31st, October 2nd, and (tentatively) December 3rd or 4th. We will confirm the December luncheon date as it gets closer. Please note these dates on your calendar for planning purposes. Invitations will be sent out about one month prior to each luncheon.

-Vacation Bible School – All Are Welcome! Join us for a week of faith, fun, and friends as we partner with Lake Villa United Methodist Church and St. Ignatius Episcopal Church for an exciting VBS from June 30 to July 4, 2025, from 10 AM to 2 PM, with early drop-off available at 8 AM. Open to ages 4 to 14. See the fliers in Wesley Hall for details.

-The youth group is asking the congregation, family, and friends to collect pennies (or any money, for that matter!) for their collection bucket to save for the summer mission trip expenses. They will be going to Birmingham, Alabama June 8-14! The trip is open to everyone – youth and young at heart who would like to go.

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: We come to worship, remembering God's goodness that has carried us and sustained us to this present moment.

P: We remember the days when God covered us in love and filled us with joy.

L: We come to worship, weary from stress, heavy with grief, and wondering when relief will come.

P: We long for the days God covered us in love and filled us with joy.

L: We come to worship to remember and remind one another that God's love has never left us, and God's joy cannot be extinguished.

P: God, restore us that we know your love and your joy once again.

L: We come to worship to remember and become the Body of Christ, a community called to restore the world around us.

P: God, empower us to be your restoration people who fill the world with love, laughter, and abundant life. Amen.

(Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, September 2024.)

***HYMN Red Hymnal #189**

Fairest Lord Jesus

***OPENING PRAYER (Unison)**

Come to this sanctuary, this house, this home, Holy Christ, and let us receive you with lavish welcome. You are the Restorer of our fortunes, The Promise of new life – we pour out our praise to you. Fill this room with your Spirit: The sound of wind, the warmth of flame, the scent of perfume, and fill our hearts with your compassion. Not just in this time and place, but in all times and in all places, so that as we celebrate the great things you have done for us, we may also embody the love you give to all. Amen.

CHILDREN’S TIME

HYMN Black Hymnal #2216

When We Are Called to Sing Your Praise

WE ASK FOR UNDERSTANDING (Unison)

Holy Lord, we come to you aware that Lent is probably our most challenging season. We look at all the hardest parts directly and we can’t turn away. Be with us as we hear your Word read and proclaimed, that we might know that even in the hardest parts there is love and grace, mercy and hope. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS – John 12:1-8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus’ feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the

fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, “Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?” (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, “Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.”

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

P: Thanks be to God.

REFLECTION	Love	Rev. Katie Voigt
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CHORAL ANTHEM (10:30am Service)

UMCA Choir

In Communion with Me

MORNING PRAYERS

Joys/Concerns

Confession & Pardon

Let us together, confess our sins to God.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God’s love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

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.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Hymns Sung During Receiving

#2108 *Oh How He Loves You and Me*

#2113 *Lamb of God*

#2038 *Father, I Adore You*

#2068 *I Love You, Lord*

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Inspire us to press on to the goal before us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY *O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go*

***DOXOLOGY #95**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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

Loving God, source of all joy, we come before you with hearts full of gratitude. As Mary poured out her love for Jesus with costly perfume, so we pour out our gifts before you, seeking to honor you with all that we have. During this reflective Lenten period, may our offerings remind us of the abundance you've poured into our lives. Help us to give extravagantly, not out of duty, but from hearts filled with joy and gratitude. Bless these gifts and use them to bring your hope to the world. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN Red Hymnal #172**

My Jesus, I Love Thee

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

L: Sharing Love with God and God's World is what we are called to do.

P: Sometimes the hardest situations bring beautiful love into the world. We will search out God's love wherever we are.

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** *You Are My King (Amazing Love)*

Red indicates "The United Methodist Hymnal"

Black indicates "The Faith We Sing"

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**Worship Attendance/Giving for Sunday
March 30, 2025**

8am- 36 10:30am- 56

General Fund: \$4,156	Missions: \$53.22	Youth Mission Trip: \$20
Building: \$110	UMCOR: \$740	Flowers: \$422
Boiler: \$330	UVC: \$190	

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

April 6

April 13

Greeters

8:00am	Dawn Vogel	Anne Dickson
10:30am	Sally Rodgers	Joanne Rae

Ushers

8:00am	Jim Menzer	Dawn Vogel
10:30am	Jerry Topcik	Tom Kessell

Soundboard

8:00am	Walt Cichonski	Denny Sathoff
10:30am	Chris Shannon	Mike Lapke

Liturgists

8:00am	Mike DeBenedetto	Richard Schlake
10:30am	Nancy Zitkus	Keegan Stack

Coffee Servers

8:00am	Dawn & Dave Vogel	Pat Metz
		Jane Buck
10:30am	Ardy Lange	Margaret Zaller
	Andrea Zachotina	Cheryl Collins
	Metz Family	Sathoff Family

Openers

Prayer Card

8:00am	Nancy Colby	Nancy Colby
10:30am	(Needed)	Ardy Lange

Communion

Stewards

8:00am	Linda Hensgen	-----
	Wayne Buck	
10:30am	Nancy Rae	
	Lisa Shannon	

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Next deadline is April 15th for the May newsletter.

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.