

February 27th, 2020



# CLINTON

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### Next Week's Scripture Readings:

Sunday: Romans 5:12-210

Pray for God's grace to be multiplied more and more in your life.

Monday: Joel 2:12-17

Pray and turn to God with all your heart.

Tuesday: Matthew 4:1-11

Pray to be able to follow Jesus' example of resisting temptation.

Wednesday: Genesis 7:1-24

Pray to know God's rescue as Noah did.

Thursday: Psalm 32:1-11

Pray, confess your sin, and be surrounded by God's songs of rescue.

Friday: Matthew 6:1-6

Pray and humbly serve God.

Saturday: Philippians 1:27-30

Pray for the faith to live in a manner worthy of Christ's gospel.

The Clinton UMC mission, the fundamental reason for everything we do, is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. If you say transforming the world sounds like a huge impossible task, I wouldn't disagree... IF we had to do that on our own.

But this past Sunday we were reminded that although the responsibility to carry out the mission is ours, the power behind the mission's success is God's! Praise the Lord for that! You can listen to more at <https://www.mykdkd.com/united-methodist-church/> (February 23 service and sermon).

Sometimes though, the transformation needs to begin with us. And we've entered a time in the church year where we have an opportunity to be open to the transformation that comes in more closely following our risen savior Jesus Christ. Welcome to the season of Lent!

We're traveling this journey of Lent together. Part of that journey in the church is coming together for worship. So, remember our special Lenten services every Wednesday at 12 noon in the chapel. In addition, we're starting a new Sunday morning sermon series called "Echoes from the Cross." We'll be looking at the words Jesus spoke from the cross and how they call us to live more fully in faith and service to God and others. You can find out more about all of that elsewhere in this edition of the "Tower Views."

I look forward to seeing you this Sunday morning in worship at 8:15 or 11:00!

Your partner on the journey,  
Pastor Steve

## Sunday Assistants

Office Host:

Angelia Entrop

Altar Flowers:

Jenny Holmes

Gathering Music:

8:15—Frances Harvey

10:30—David Cummings

8:15 Acolytes

Jocelyn Himes and River Duncan

8:15 Ushers:

Kyle & Shelley Johnson & girls

8:15 Greeters:

Ron & Jo Schnakenberg

Travis & Whitney Smith & boys

Children's Time:

Jennifer Kiely

Fellowship Time Hosts:

Circle L

10:30 Ushers:

Mike & Brenda Kiely

10:30 Greeters:

Frances Harvey & Boann Parks

Nancy Fleming & Denise Moore

Bus Driver:

Rocky Austin

## Prayers are needed for:

Dorothy Steward,

Ted Bolich

Melvin Dennis,

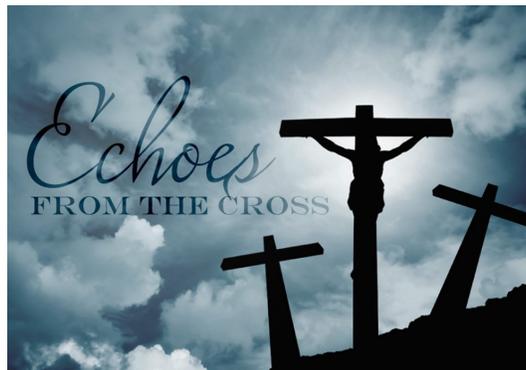
Dorothy Toops,

Helen Finks



## Wednesday *Lenten Services*

Throughout the season of Lent (March 4 - April 8) Wednesday worship services will be held at 12 noon in the chapel. These services will last approximately 30 minutes and include music, a short message, and Holy Communion. The devotional messages will be shared by various pastors and lay speakers connected with Clinton UMC. For more information, please contact the church office at 885-5597.



Like echoes, the final words of Jesus on the cross bend, flex, and come to us across the centuries. They proclaim who Jesus was, is, and calls us to be! Join us for Sunday morning worship, March 1- April 5, at 8:15 or 10:30 a.m. and for our sermon series called "Echoes from the Cross." We'll discover how these timeless words of Jesus call us to new, and deeper, places in our spiritual journeys during this season of Lent.

## Coming Up

Sunday, March 1st

8:15—Early Worship

9:00—Fellowship Time

9:30—Sunday School

9:30—Confirmation Class

10:30—Late Worship

3:00—Partners in Prayer

Monday, March 2nd

5:00—Ukuleles

5:15—Learner Bells

6:00—Chancel Bells

Tuesday, March 3rd

1:00—Visitation

Wednesday, March 4th

11:30—Prayer Group Meets

Noon—Lenten Service

3:00— Youth

3:30— Angelus Choir

5:00—Youth

7:00—Chancel Choir

Friday, March 6th

1:00—Friday Social Group

Saturday, March 7th

Change clocks ahead one hour!

Call the church office at

660-885-5597 for more

information about any calendar items!



### Methodists on the Move

Exciting times ahead! In preparation of the beginning of our renovation project we will be disassembling and moving all of the spaces on the first floor from the Green Room steps south. **March 8 will be our last Sunday** to fellowship in the gym or use the east and west doors as an entrance to the building until we are complete with the renovation later this year. Prior to the contractors getting out the hammers we need to relocate our main office as well as all of the furniture and fixtures that occupy those spaces, we're hoping a few of you can set aside some time to help!

At noon on March 8, a light lunch will be provided in the gym then we'll roll up our sleeves and start packing up and relocating items to the gym for storage during the renovation. We can use hands, boxes and packing materials as we'll be emptying all cupboards and drawers, taking down artwork as well as moving all the furniture. During construction our office staff will temporarily relocate to the rental house we own at 602 S 3<sup>rd</sup> street - right behind the playground out our back door!

Since we're retrofitting the house for our "office" we can use a little help getting it ready **next week of March 2<sup>nd</sup>** - wiping down surfaces, painting a few walls, and helping get furniture and equipment moved over. If you've got a little time and some muscles please call Kathy in the church office at 660-885-5597 and we'll coordinate a time for you to help us get them settled in.

It'll all move pretty fast after that - we'll give weekly updates and post photos of the transformation. Thanks to all who have worked hard to bring this evolution of our ministry to life!

### Partners in Prayer

The first meeting of the year for Partners in prayer will be held Sunday, March 1 at 3 pm. We will spend time discussing various aspects of prayer and our experience with prayer. We will then break into smaller groups in which we pray for each other, the church, the community and the country. All are invited to be a part of this group. Come and visit if you like—check us out! We



will be using a workbook title "Living a Praying Life" as a platform for discussion. If you would like one of these workbooks, or have any questions, contact Mary Jo Cable at 492-2566. Please consider coming and being a part of God's work through prayer.



### Scholarships!

It's scholarship time! The Clinton United Methodist Church will be offering twelve one thousand dollar scholarships to church members who are continuing their education. 2020 High graduates and those students already in a post high school programs may apply. Applications are available now and can be picked up in the church office or call the office to have them emailed to you. They are due April 17th with two recommendations.

## Youth Conference Last Call!



Leap 2020 is a one-day conference experience for middle and high school students happening at Platte Woods UMC in the KC area on Saturday, February 29, 2020.

Registration is done online at <https://nextgenumc.org/leap-2020/>. Registration cost is \$40 before Feb 28. Contact Jennifer Kiely if you need help registering. All students registered get a t-shirt, so sign up soon and join this awesome experience. Church transportation will be provided.



### A special medical need has arisen in our village of El Cabano

Six year old Nemesio joined the Rainbow Network's Special Medical Needs Program in January, 2020 after suffering from fecal incontinence. This condition appeared after he underwent five different surgeries to correct ano-rectal malformation which he was born with.

Nemesio's condition is treatable, and he needs to meet with a pediatric surgeon. However, given the cost of the previous surgeries, and the family's limited resources, his parents cannot afford another surgery on their own.

Rainbow Network is currently assisting the family with costs for transportation, evaluations, and medications. Nemesio's next appointment with a pediatric specialist is currently pending.

This is a sponsorship opportunity for us in this way: The total church commitment would be \$50/month or \$600/year. This could be sponsored by an individual, a Sunday School Class or other group in the church. Or, as an individual you might want to make a check for any amount noting in the memo that it is for Nemesio.

Our friends of El Cobano know us by our partnership with their village and our student sponsorships. Recently, Rainbow took frisbees from Vivian Taylor's 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School class, a Spanish Bible to the community leader, and soccer balls for the kids. It IS the Mission of the Clinton United Methodist Church to make disciples of Jesus Christ, for the transformation of the world.

Checks can be made payable to The Rainbow Network. For more information, call Lois Miller. 660-351-6308.

