

March 5th, 2020



### Next Week's Scripture Readings:

Sunday: Philippians 1:1-6  
Pray and be thankful for the “good work” being completed in you through Christ.

Monday: Luke 23:32-43  
Pray for the faith and courage to offer hope to the hopeless, as Jesus did.

Tuesday: Psalm 121:1-8  
Pray and know that the Lord is your keeper.

Wednesday: Genesis 12:1-6  
Pray to be able to hear, understand, and be obedient to God's voice.

Thursday: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17  
Pray for faith like Abraham's that comes through God's grace.

Friday: Habakkuk 3:16-19  
Pray and rejoice in the Lord, regardless of your circumstances.

Saturday: John 3:1-17  
Pray, believe in Jesus, be born anew, and enter into God's kingdom



The vision of enhancing our building to help us better live out our mission “to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world,” will soon take shape before us. It's an exciting time! It's also a good time to remind ourselves that during the building project things will look and feel messy, be inconvenient, and definitely be different.

This week the church offices are being packed up and moved to the church's house on 3<sup>rd</sup> street (602 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street). Beginning next week, you will need to go there for any “in-person” church office needs.

This Sunday, March 8, will be the last day we occupy the part of our building involved in phase 1 of the project (Green Room south, including the gym). We'll celebrate the beginning of the project with a light meal after the 10:30 service (if you haven't already, please let the church office know you're eating lunch with us). After lunch we'll begin moving things out of the south part of our building to make way for the construction work. Thanks in advance for all your help on Sunday afternoon and next week with this move!

Beginning Sunday, March 15, you'll only be able to enter the building through the northwest, tower, or northeast entrances. In addition, our Sunday morning fellowship time will need to work differently. You'll pick up refreshments from the counter just outside the sanctuary and then move to the gathering space of your choice (Sunday School classroom or other space).

To free up gathering space around the sanctuary, most of the library shelving will be moved out. We'll also move tables to the very back part of the sanctuary (old cry room area). You'll be able sit around the tables in that area for the fellowship time and worship services if you choose to do so.

I know that's a lot of changes. If you have any questions, feel free to let me ([steveblacksher@clintonumc.net](mailto:steveblacksher@clintonumc.net) or 660-525-4422), someone else on staff, or the church office know. In addition, I ask that you please be patient as we work through these transitions in the next few weeks.

This Sunday morning, we'll worship God, celebrate Holy Communion, and continue our “Echoes from the Cross” sermon series. Jesus has already asked God to forgive those who've crucified him ([www.mykdkd.com/united-methodist-church/](http://www.mykdkd.com/united-methodist-church/), March 1 service and sermon). What he does next is both great news and a big challenge! See you Sunday morning at 8:15 or 10:30!

Your partner on the journey,  
Pastor Steve

## Sunday Assistants

Office Host:

Patty Moore

Altar Flowers:

Fred & Carolyn McAllister

Gathering Music:

8:15—Sam Lucas

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:

Joe Wagoner

### Prayers are needed for:

Dixie Atchison & family on  
the passing of her brother

Eugene Wirsig,

Maxine Evans,

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.



### 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.

## Coming Up

Sunday, March 8th

8:15—Early Worship

9:00—Fellowship Time

9:30—Sunday School

9:30—Confirmation Class

10:30—Late Worship

11:30—Lunch

12:00—Moving Day!



Monday, March 9th

5:00—Ukuleles

5:15—Learner Bells

6:00—Chancel Bells

6:00—Building Committee Mtg

Tuesday, March 10th

6:30—SPRC Meeting

Wednesday, March 11th

11:30—Prayer Group Meets

Noon—Lenten Service

No Youth

3:30—Angelus Choir

7:00—Chancel Choir

Wednesday, March 12th

6:00—Trustees

Friday, March 13th

9:00—UMW

1:00—Friday Social Group

Call the church office at 660-885-5597 for more information the calendar items!



### Methodists on the Move This Sunday!

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. This Sunday, **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.

**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!

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!

### UMW Meeting March 13th!



United Methodist Women

Dick Fleming provides the UMW program this month, *American History Set to Music*. Can you name the tunes highlighting key periods in our past? Bring a guest and

join us on Friday, March 13 at 9 am in the Fellowship Hall. Hostesses are Judy McVeigh and Eunice Wright.



### Don't Forget

Set your clocks ahead 1 hour before you go to bed on Saturday night. You won't want miss church, the church lunch and the moving party! It will be an awesome Sunday with a great service and fellowship as we get ready for the construction and renovation!

### UMW Says Thank You!



A special thanks to all that supported our "No Bake" Bake Sale. We raised just over \$800 and this money will help fund our many mission outreach projects!

### Another Blast from the Past!

Since we are getting ready for some renovation and building, I thought I'd share another old picture! Anyone remember this picture—from May 10th, 1953 for the groundbreaking at the corner of Fourth and Wilson???

