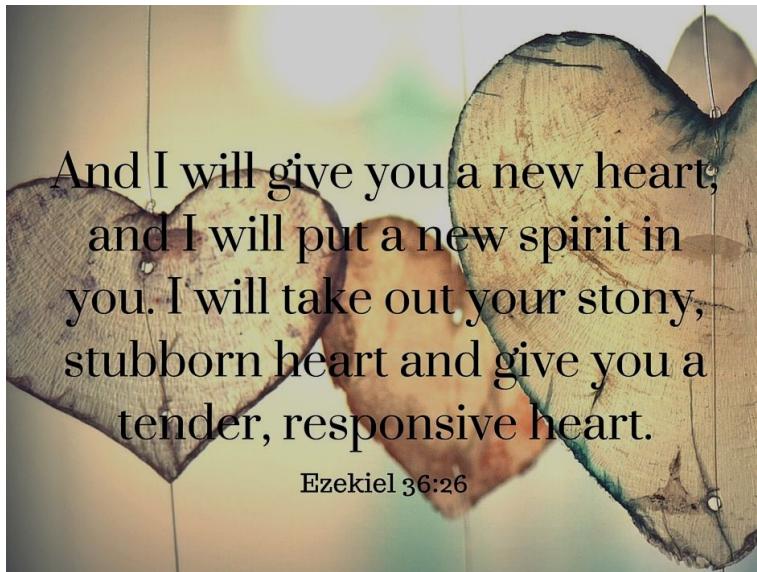


So All May Know Joy

February 23, 2020



Today's Sermon:

The truth about the TRUTH

Curtis Rieck Preaching:

I remember asking myself, "I wonder if it is possible to get free from this stuff I am dealing with?" Then I found this verse in the New Testament and this verse implies something. When you follow lies, you are in bondage. When you know the truth you get set free. The struggle is to figure out— what's

We're glad you're here!

Questions? Ask anyone with a red nametag for information about our church.

Welcome Flyers for new worshipers are found on the entryway wall.

Please fill out the "Thanks for Being Here" card in the pew rack. Time will be given to write any prayer requests and/or comments on your worship experience on the back of the card, then place it in the offering plate.

A staffed nursery is available in the education wing for children 5 & under.

Children's activity bags for worship are available on the rack in the entryway. There are also "scribble sheets" for kids on the wall!

Copies of the sermon manuscript are available before the service from any usher, and can also be found posted on our church website.

Words will be projected for all songs. Some songs are also found in the red hymnal, black hymnal or gray songbook found in your pew and page numbers are listed accordingly in your bulletin.

Coffee is served between the worship services each week in the Fellowship Hall from 9:20-10:20.

Devotional resources are available on the wall rack in the entryway.

Hearing assist devices are available, please ask

8:15 am • Joyful Praise Worship

Coffee Fellowship & Education • **9:20-10:20 am**

10:30 am • Celebration Worship



Joyful Praise Worship • 8:15 am



Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation & Sharing Christ's Joy

Song

Power of Your Love
words projected

Call to Worship

excerpt from Terry Hershey's online devotional *Sabbath Moment*

Song

If We're Honest
words projected

New Testament Reading

Living in the Spirit
Romans 7:4-6 NLT

Song

Living Hope
words projected

The Early Word

What Should I Wear?

Camping Celebration

Debbie Bishop

New Testament Reading

Ezekiel 36:26-27

Message

The Truth About the TRUTH
Curtis R. Rieck

Time of Reflection

Spend this time in meditation or to write a comment or prayer on your response card

Invitation to Offering

Music during Offering

Be Thou My Vision
#451 red hymnal vss 1-2
'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus
#462 red hymnal vss 1-2

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

Special Music

Every Move I Make
2nd-5th graders

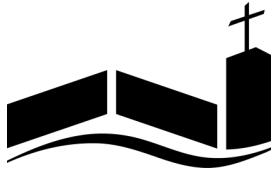
Song of Sending Forth

All the People Said Amen
words projected

Blessing

Music for Departure

Celebration Worship • 10:30 am



Gathering Music

Kay Hagen

Welcome & Announcements

Special Music

Every Move I Make
2nd-5th graders

The Early Word

What Should I Wear?

Camping Celebration

Debbie Bishop

Invocation & Sharing Christ's Joy

Hymn of Praise

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me
#361 red hymnal

New Testament Reading

Living in the Spirit
Romans 7:4-6 NLT

Call to Worship

excerpt from Terry Hershey's online
devotional *Sabbath Moment*

Hymn of Preparation

My Hope Is Built
#368 red hymnal

Message

The Truth About the TRUTH
Curtis R. Rieck

Time of Reflection

Spend this time in meditation or to write a
comment or prayer on your response card

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

I Love You, Lord
arr. Jan Sanborn

Doxology

#94 red hymnal

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.

Hymn Sending Forth

Standing on the Promises
#374 red hymnal

Blessing

Postlude

Blessed Assurance
arr. Anna Laura Page



Happening Today

Sunday School Classes run from 9:20-10:20 am for children ages 3 through 8th grade. Classrooms are marked in the ed wing hallways. 7th & 8th graders meet in the youth room.

2nd- 5th grade Sing at both services today—late in first service and early at late service.

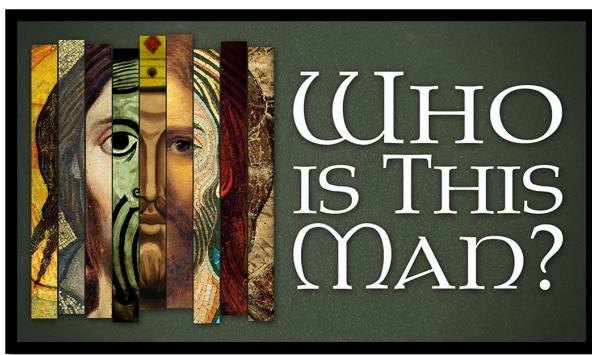
Camping Celebration Sunday

Today we celebrate and promote camping! Our Minnesota Conference has some wonderful UM camp opportunities. And BUMC leadership uses our Easter offering each year to pay for half the registrations for all children and youth, and also first-time adult UM campers! Check it out!

Coming Up

Ash Wednesday Worship Feb. 26

Ash Wednesday is this coming week, and the worship service is always a powerful way to begin our Lenten journey, the 40-day preparation period for Easter (not including Sundays). In worship that evening we will receive ashes on our bodies as a sign of mourning for our sins, a sign of our mortality, and a sign of our great need for the saving work of Jesus. We'll also practice "being still" and letting God calm the storms of our lives. Worship begins at **6:30 pm**, preceded by



congregational supper at **6:00 pm**.

Gospel of Mark Focus This Lent

This year we'll discover more about who Jesus is through his ministry and teachings as told in the Gospel of Mark. However you choose to

experience Lent, we have an optional study book on The Gospel of Mark available for \$14 as a companion or independent study. Here are the many ways you may participate:

Sunday Morning Worship March 1-April 5

Our Lenten worship will focus on the stories of Jesus and his ministry, including his many different roles as carpenter, teacher, healer, friend and savior to help answer the question "Who is this Man?"

Wednesday Evening Lent Series

March 4-April 1

Wednesday evening Lent sessions will be a Gospel of Mark video series with large and small group discussion options. Following an engaging video each week, you may stay in the sanctuary with Pastor Bill, or join a small group. Sessions at 6:30 pm, preceded by dinner (freewill) at 6:00 pm.

Sunday Morning Class March 1-April 5

If Wednesday evenings don't work for you, the same Gospel of Mark video-based study will be offered Sunday mornings between worship services from 9:20-10:20. Study book available, but not required.

Terebinth Refuge Donations by March 1

We have been collecting new items for Terebinth Refuge the last month, and will wrap up our donation drive next **Sunday, March 1**. There is a list of items to donate in February's newsletter and in the entryway. Terebinth Refuge is a Christ-centered shelter and home in Waite Park, helping previously trafficked and



exploited women and their children transition to independent and healthy lives. God is working in the lives of at May God richly bless the women and children at Terebinth through your generosity!



Meals on Wheels Nearly Done!

There are just a few driver slots yet to fill on our Meals on Wheels delivery this month. Thanks to everyone who has driven, especially in tough weather! Meals are picked up at the Community Center in Buffalo at 10:45 am, Monday-Friday only. Sign up in the entryway!



Sign Up for Women's Retreat in April

The BUMC Women's Retreat *Caring for Creation and for Ourselves* will be held April 24-26 at Camp Koinonia in South Haven. If you are interested in attending, please sign up on the bulletin board in the entry way. By signing on the sheet you are not making a firm commitment to attend but just showing us your interest at this time and saving a spot for you. We have room for 30 women. Our retreat is open to BUMC women, their family and friends. The formal registration forms will be available March 1. If you have questions about the retreat please ask one of the committee members listed on the sign-up sheet.

Opportunities to Support Food Shelf

This is a great time to donate to the Buffalo Food Shelf! Through February, the Masons match funds for donations to the food shelf. If interested in doing so, you can make your check out to "Mason Lodge 135" and write Buffalo Food Shelf or Annandale Food Shelf in the memo line. You must mail the check or drop it off at Old National Bank in Buffalo. Remember also, that March is MN Foodshare March Campaign, where you can donate items or money here at church to help folks in our community.

Picture Directories Now Available

If you need an updated BUMC phone and address directory, pick up a copy on the wall in the entryway. Exciting news—they now include pictures for anyone who has turned in a photo.



Next Sunday

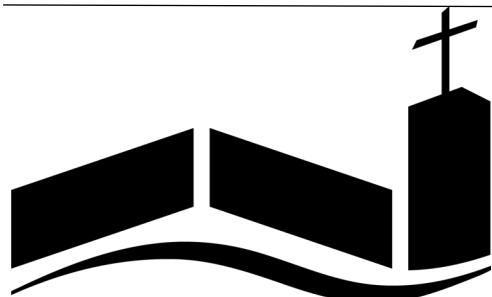
March 1

Jesus in the Gospel of Mark

The Beginning of the Good News
 Each of the four Gospels has a unique beginning and a unique take on just what the “Good News” is. Mark wastes no time in identifying Jesus with the prophetic ministry of John the Baptist and the endorsement of God’s Holy Spirit. Mark’s beginning sets the context for understanding all the dramatic miracles and teachings that follow.

Prayer Matters

- Pray for our church bookkeeper Patti Steer's son, Todd, who will have a PET scan on the 24th to diagnose spots in his lungs.
- Kay Hagen has a lumpectomy on Monday, so pray that her procedure and radiation treatments go smoothly.
- Pray for clarity in a treatment plan for Joe Schroeder who meets with his doctor at Mayo on Tuesday.
- Pray for all who live with chronic illness or pain, that they remain strong and hopeful.



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Serving Today

Musicians:

Joyful Praise Team, Kids' Choir (8:15)

Jill Starr, Gerry Starr, Kids' Choir (10:30)

Joe Schroeder, Jana Knutson (8:15)

Jerry Ford (10:30)

Jim Norrix (8:15)

Barbara Sargent (10:30)

Dennis & Tracy Daleiden (8:15)

Susan Sorsoleil & Iona Markley (10:30)

Tech:

Scripture Readers:

Ushers:

This Week in Ministry

Monday, February 24

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday, February 25

7:00 pm Finance Team Meeting

Wednesday, February 26 Ash Wednesday

6:00 pm Lenten Meal- Handbells

6:30 pm Ash Wednesday worship

6:40 pm Confirmation—Focus Night

6:40 pm Senior High Youth

7:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal

7:30 pm Handbell rehearsal

Thursday, February 27

7:00 pm Disciple Fast Track Bible Study

Saturday, February 29

8:30 am Wesley Meal

9:00 am 5th Grade FSS Communion class

Sunday, March 1 Holy Communion Sunday

5th Grade FSS Blessing

8:15 am Joyful Praise Worship

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