



*So All May Know Joy*

## **BUMC Weekly Connection—March 3**

**This Sunday, March 5 @ 9:00 am**

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### **This Sunday – The Disabled and the Sick**

On Sunday, March 5th we'll consider the disabled and the sick, those who couldn't function well enough to provide for themselves and so depended on the charity of others. And yet Jesus chose these afflicted people to demonstrate the miraculous healing power of God. Who are the disabled and the sick in your life? How can you make room at the table for them?

*There's room at the table for...*



**The Disabled and the Sick**

### **Communion This Sunday**

Our worship this Sunday will also include Holy Communion. In the United Methodist Church, all are welcome at the table, as we understand Communion to be the gift of Jesus Christ to anyone of any age who desires a closer relationship with Him. If you are worshipping at home, remember to gather your items representing the bread and the wine as we gather in spirit around Christ's table. If you don't have bread and grape juice, crackers and water are a great substitute.

### **Scripture Reading**

Then Jesus returned to Galilee, filled with the Holy Spirit's power. Reports about him spread quickly through the whole region. He taught regularly in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to the village of Nazareth, his boyhood home, he went as usual to the synagogue on the Sabbath and stood up to read the Scriptures. The scroll of Isaiah the prophet was handed to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where this was written:

"The Spirit of the LORD is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free, and that the time of the LORD's favor has come." He rolled up the scroll, handed it back to the attendant, and sat down. All eyes in the synagogue looked at him intently. Then he began to speak to them. "The Scripture you've just heard has been fulfilled this very day!" Luke 4: 14-21

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**The Demon-Possessed**

### **Next Sunday – The Demon-Possessed**

Next Sunday we'll consider the demon-possessed, those whose irrational and self-destructive behavior was a danger to themselves and those around them. Instead of casting them out of their communities, Jesus demonstrated the compassion of God by delivering these people from their demons. Who are the demon possessed people in your life? How can you make room at the table for them?



## Other Ministry Updates

- March 5 9:00 am** Worship Service with Communion & FSS Blessing  
**10:00 am** Sunday School & Education  
**10:00 am** Fellowship
- March 6 9:00 am** Commodity distribution
- March 7 7:00 pm** Property meeting
- March 8 6:00 pm** Lent supper—Sloppy Joes  
**6:30 pm** Lenten Service  
**6:30 pm** Children & Youth
- March 12 9:00 am** Worship Service with Daylight Saving Time  
**10:00 am** Sunday School & Education  
**10:00 am** Fellowship

### Wednesday Evenings in Lent (March 1- 29)

Each Wednesday, we'll continue meeting at **6:00** for a meal, with an abbreviated time of gathering afterwards. In the sanctuary, we'll be sharing devotional readings, Scriptures, and prayers from the book: *Uncovering the Love of Jesus*. The book is for sale in the church entryway for \$12. Andrea Gravely will continue the program for the children and youth in the back fellowship hall.



### Faith Stepping Stone

Last Sunday our fifth and sixth graders learned about communion and baked the bread that we will serve in worship on Sunday. They will also help serve communion to you, and we will offer a blessing over them. As part of their Faith Stepping Stone, fifth graders also receive a \$100 gift toward UM church camp registration, in addition to the half already paid by the church.

### Lenten Series for Children & Youth

We hope you can join us each **Wednesday** in Lent following supper for a time of learning and fun from **6:30 - 7:15 pm**.

### Scriptures for Room at the Table Worship

If you would like to read ahead, here are the scripture readings for the new series.

March 5	Luke 4:14-21; 5:12-16
March 12	Luke 4:31-37; 8:26-39
March 19	Luke 15:11-24; 7:36-50
April 2	Luke 19:28-40; 18:35-43
April 9	Luke 24:1-24; 38-33

### MN Food Share

March is MN Food Share Month. All donations will be partially matched by various organizations. Shop for your favorite foods to donate or donate money by listing "food shelf" in the memo line of your check. Any food or personal care products can be placed in the red wagon outside of the church office. The donation time runs through **April 9**. Thank you for your generosity.



### Easter Garden Flowers

We have been given a short window to order flowers for our Easter Garden this year, and there are hints that supplies may be a bit short, so please order your flowers by **March 5** if at all possible. We may be able to add a few after that but supply is not guaranteed. Order forms are in the pews at church or you can call Michelle at the church office to place an order. Also, if you have any green or flowering plants that you may be willing to loan to the Easter garden for two weeks (**April 8-16**), please call Laurie Schroeder at 763-682-4409. Thank you for helping make our Easter Garden possible!

### BellFest! 2023

Our handbell group is participating in the Bells of the Lakes BellFest! 2023 on Saturday, **March 4** at North Heights Lutheran Church in Arden Hills. It runs all day with a community concert at **3:00pm** that anyone can attend.

### Daylight Saving Time!

Remember to set your clocks ahead for Daylight Saving Time on **Saturday, March 11!** Spring ahead, or you'll miss worship!

### Lawn Crew Needed

The Property Team is gearing up for lawn mowing and we have saved a lot of money annually by using volunteers to mow May through



October. The church has mowers on site that you can use. Would you consider volunteering once or twice this year? Contact Michelle at the church office to volunteer. Thank you!