

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, February 25

5:30 PM - Annual Skating Party (Valarena, North Apollo)

MONDAY, February 26

6:30 PM - Small Group (at the Parsonage)

TUESDAY, February 27

9:30 AM - Assemble Newsletter (Upstairs Classroom)

11:00 AM - Volunteers pack for Food Bank

6:30 PM - Women's Prayer Group (Upstairs Chapel)

WEDNESDAY, February 28

10-11:00 AM - Food Bank Distribution

6:45 PM - Choir Practice (Fellowship Hall)

THURSDAY, March 1

7:00 PM - Al-Anon (Fellowship Hall)

FRIDAY, March 2

10:00 AM - Make Sandwiches

11:45 AM - Lenten Luncheon (at Cross Roads Presby)

SUNDAY, March 4 ~ 3rd Sunday in Lent

8:30 AM - Early Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

11:00 AM - Worship Service

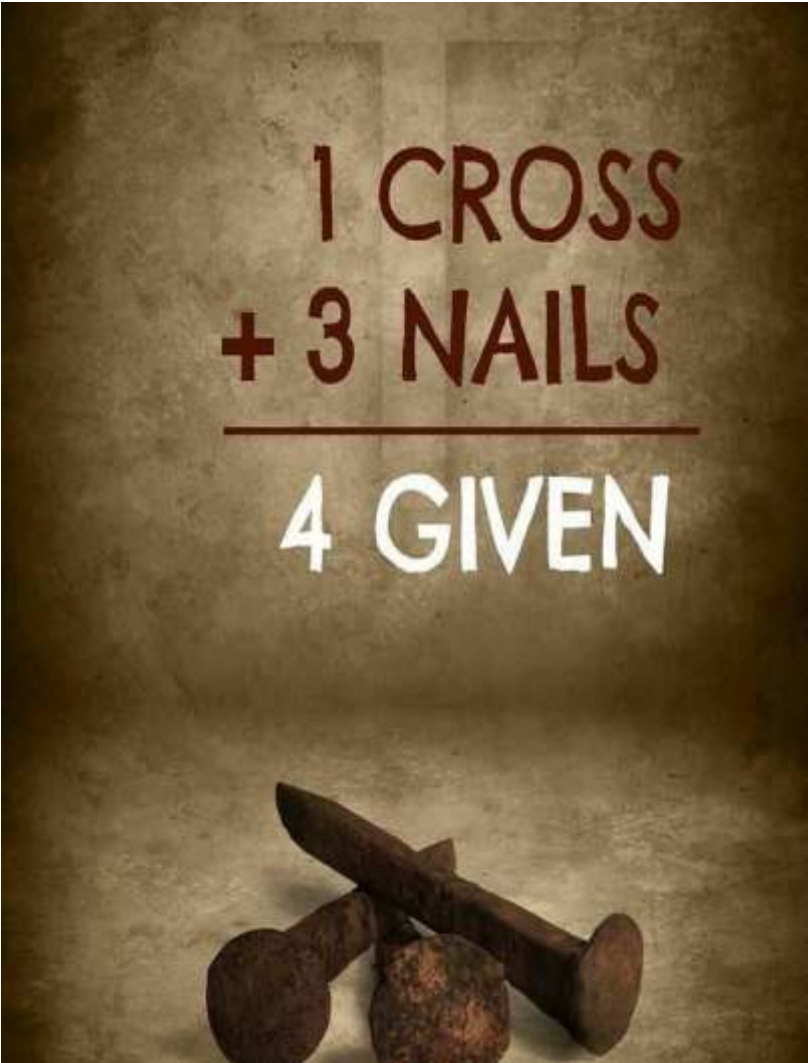
RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

February 18, 2018

8:30 Early Service	28	Current Exp.....	\$ 2,565.25
11:00 AM Service	80	Connectional Appt.	<u>220.00</u>
S.S. Attendance.....	36		\$ 2,785.25
Weekly Avg.....	87	Sunday School Avg	29
Bldg. & Repair	367,50	Renovation Phase II	210.00
Missions.....	100.00	Choir Music.....	20.00
Cookbook	5.00	Skating Party	10.00
Upper Room	10.00	Food Bank	10.00
Hall Rental	100.00	UMCOR	10.00
Stop Hunger Now	100.00	Small Group Books	20.00

2018 Connectional Apportionment Asking - \$21,688
 Amount received as of 2/18/2018 - \$ 2,389.33 (11.0%)
 Amount still due Conference - \$19,298.67

Renovation Fund Phase II Loan - \$60,000
 Amount still due Credit Union 1/31/2018 - \$41,860.15



February 25, 2018
8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

First United Methodist Church

"Growing, Loving & Serving in Christ's Name"

Rev. Jerrad R. Peterman, Pastor
Lori A. Klingensmith, Choir Director

LFUMC.org

Office: 724-845-8761

8:30 a.m.

Jo Ellen Stewart, Reader

Marilyn Oldfield, Pianist
Carla Shaffer, Pianist

LFUMC251@comcast.net

Pastor's Cell: 724-833-3247

11:00 a.m.

Joanne Gibson, Reader

As the music begins, be silent, be thoughtful, and be reverent, for this is the House of the Lord. Before the service, speak to the Lord. During the service, let the Lord speak to you. After the service, speak to one another.

- **PRAYER REQUEST CARDS** are in the pew racks and will be collected during the opening hymn.
- The **NURSERY** is available upstairs in the Educational Building for parents who feel the need to take their children there.
- **ACTIVITY BAGS** are available in the Overflow Area for those children who wish to remain in the service.
- **GUESTS** – Please fill out a visitor's card from the pew racks and place it in the offering plate so we may have a record of your visit. We hope you will join us again.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Welcome this day to the second step on our Lenten Journey.

P: We come with great hope and expectation as we walk the way of Christ.

L: Today's journey will demand much of us.

P: Lord, make us ready to offer ourselves to you.

L: Come, let us begin again the wondrous excursion.

P: Let us place our lives in God's abiding love. AMEN.

◇❖OPENING PRAISE

"Above All"

❖OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

God, you have given us everything. What can we give in return for our lives? Be our guide on our Lenten journey. Help us to deny ourselves, pick up our cross and follow Jesus. We welcome the chastening direction in our lives as we worship you today. Amen.

FIRST READING

Colossians 2:6-15

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◇CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Courtney Riffer

MORNING PRAYER (and The Lord's Prayer in unison)

◇ANTHEM

"Our God Saves"

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(During the cold and flu season, please feel free to extend a verbal greeting to your neighbor.)

◇HYMN

"Were You There"

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SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 3:21-26

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SERIES:

"God's Action in Symbols of the Crucifixion"
from "He Chose the Nails" by Max Lucado

SYMBOL 2:

The Nails

◇RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Matthew 6:19-21

◇OFFERTORY

◇❖DOXOLOGY

#95

◇❖OFFERTORY PRAYER

❖HYMN

"Only Trust Him"

#337

❖BENEDICTION

❖COMMUNITY BLESSING

"My Tribute"

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POSTLUDE

❖Congregation please stand, if able ~ ◇Denotes 11:00am service only

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Gracelynn's 4th Birthday (February 20th) by Mimi, Pappy, and Uncle Duncan.

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The **Finance Committee** will not meet on February 27th as previously scheduled. Instead, the committee will have a short meeting prior to the Administrative Council meeting on Tuesday, March 6th at 6:30 in the upstairs classroom. February bills will be approved at this meeting. The regular schedule will resume on March 27th.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting. Chris (Steele)