



3rd
Sunday
in
Lent

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Smithville United Methodist Church

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Celebrating Life through Divine Worship

Third Sunday of Lent

10:00 am, March 27, 2011

The time of centering: Now the time of reflection and stillness is upon us. Now is the season for inward searching. Close your eyes. Be still. Listen. We are entering a holy time, the time of Lent. We are journeying to the sacred center of our faith. We are entering the depths of our own hearts. At the center of our faith, in the depth of our hearts, God is waiting for us, reaching out to us, inviting us to leave ordinary time and to follow him along the journey that brought Jesus to the Cross. God is calling you. Listen.

PRELUDE

Worship begins as the music is played

ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT

INVOCATION

Living Christ, we often go to the well. We too often find ourselves parched by the pressures of life and in need of refreshment for body and soul. May we, like the Samaritan women, discover you during the dry moments of our lives. Come to us and draw for us the living water of your presence. We pray in your holy name. Amen.

WELCOME

*SONGS OF PRAISE

"I've Got Peace like a River" 2145

"As the Deer" 2025

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: On this fine day, look up and look out -

PEOPLE: See the people yearning for meaning, thirsting for truth, searching for God.

LEADER: Look up and look far -

PEOPLE: See the wounded bearing their grief; see the stranger longing to be welcomed; see the frightened fearing another rejection.

LEADER: Look up and look within -

PEOPLE: See the hurt within us that longs to be healed; see the sin that begs for forgiveness; see the timid part of ourselves that desires release and power.

LEADER: Look up and look deep -

PEOPLE: See Christ with arms opened wide, with eyes filled with love, with our name on His lips.

LEADER: Look up and sing -

ALL: Sing of God's love that welcomes us and welcomes all.

Please pray for: Lou Petersen, Carol White, Barb Kravec, Marilyn Phopheter, Marie Allard and for all the people that are having medical or surgical worries.

The memorial book is opened in loving memory of Mildred Hobbs
Altar flowers in honor of Marjorie Wheeler's 93rd birthday by Norma Tucker



"JOURNEY BLESSINGS"

Wednesday, 5:45 to 7:00 pm

March 30th - Water

April 6th - Sight

April 13th - Tears

April 20th - Perseverance

Come enjoy a meal, fellowship and study

Soup providers will be:

March 30th - Genesis Class

April 6th - Youth

April 13th - UMW & Tuesday Study Group

April 20th - UMM

BRIDAL SHOWER FOR MISS JESSICA

The church is having a bridal shower for Miss Jessica tomorrow, March 28th at 4 pm here at the church. We need help with daycare during the shower, so if you can help please see Bev McClellan or Lu Darr.

PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER

Small Steps Preschool still has grocery coupon books for sale. There are 10 Big V Country Mart and 1 Hy-Vee coupon books. Please see Ron Mast or Roberta Sanderson if you wish to purchase one. The money will go towards new playground equipment.



EASTER FLOWERS

There are two sign-up sheets for Easter flowers on the "Opportunities to Serve" bulletin board. You can either choose Easter Lilies or a mix of tulip/daffodils. Sign-up soon because there have only been 12 lilies and 12 mix flowers ordered. The cost is \$10.00 for lilies and \$13.00 for the mixed. Please make your check out to SUMC, put Easter flowers in the memo and either put your check in the collection or in the office the day you sign-up. Please remember to put who the flowers are in honor of or in memory of.

EASTER MORNING BREAKFAST

The United Methodist Men will be serving a continental breakfast on Easter morning at 8:30 am. They would like to know how many of you will be attending. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the great room for you to sign.



Please give generously to Pacific Emergency

HOW TO GIVE

Give to **Pacific Emergency, UMCOR Advance 33021317**. Please write the Advance # and project name on the memo line of your check.

Online: www.givetomission.org

By Offering: For local church and Annual Conference credit, put your gift in the offering plate on Sunday.

By Check: Make your check to UMCOR and mail to: UMCOR, P.O. Box 9068, New York, NY 10087

For more information go to: www.umcor.org

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 27

3:30 pm Boy Scouts
4:00 pm Ad Council Meeting
5:30 pm Youth Group

Monday, March 28

4:00 pm Bridal Shower

Tuesday, March 29

9:00 am Coffee w/Walt & Wayne"
9:00 am Study Group

Wednesday, March 30

10:00 am Art Class
5:45 pm Lenten Bible Study
7:00 pm Choir Practice

Thursday, March 31

9:00 am Crochet/Knit

Friday, April 1

1:00 pm Quilting

Saturday, April 2

8:00 am UMM Meeting/Breakfast

Sunday, April 3

11:30 am Worship Meeting
3:30 pm Boy Scouts
5:30 pm Youth Group



March 20

General Fund - \$2497.00
Debt Reduction - \$155.00
Attendance - 92

EMAIL ADDRESSES, HOME ADDRESSES OR PHONE NUMBER CHANGES

If you have an email address or a change of email address, change of home address or phone number change and the office does not have it will you please leave it in the office. We will be doing a lot more communication by email. Thanks for your cooperation.



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