

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

TODAY, March 17—Second Sunday in Lent

- 9:30 a.m. - Coffee Hour
- 10:30 a.m. - Worship/Communion
- 10:30 a.m. - Sunday School
- 5:00 p.m. - Faith & Hope AA Meeting

MONDAY, March 18

- 6:00 p.m. - Finance meeting
- 6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts
- 6:45 p.m. - Trustee Meeting

TUESDAY, March 19

- 1:00 p.m. - Elizabeth/Trinity Circle @ Fa-Rays
- 5:00 p.m. - Girl Scouts
- 6:30 p.m. - Cub Scouts

WEDNESDAY, March 20 - First Day of Spring!

- 8:30 a.m. - Quilters
- 11:00 a.m. - Free Lunch Mission
- 6:30 p.m. - Disciple 4 Class
- 6:30 p.m. - Mary Circle



THURSDAY, March 21

- 7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

SATURDAY, March 23

- 8:00 a.m. - UMW Meet at Church to Carpool
- 9:00 a.m. - UMW Spring Gathering
Macedonia UMC
- 2:30 p.m. - Pinewood Derby

SUNDAY, March 24 - Third Sunday in Lent

- 9:30 a.m. - Coffee Hour
- 10:30 a.m. - Worship/Communion
- 11:00 a.m. - Young Disciples Music
- 5:00 p.m. - Faith & Hope AA Meeting

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Second
SUNDAY
IN
LENT

Firestone Park United Methodist Church
Worship Celebration
Second Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2019

10:30 a.m.

INVITATION

Opening Declaration

Pastor: Christ our Lord is risen today!

People: **He is risen indeed!**

Scripture Lesson

Philippians 3: 1-7, 4-1

Pastor Sam

Passing of the Peace

Announcements/Birthdays and Anniversaries

Prelude

Wesleyan Chimers

***Call to Worship**

Leader: The Lord is our light and salvation;

People: **The Lord is the stronghold of our life.**

Leader: We shall see the Lord's goodness in our time.

People: **Therefore, let us wait for the Lord. (Psalm 27)**

***Sung Response**

"Glory Be to the Father"

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***Unison Prayer**

Almighty God, whose will it is to live in harmony with your creation: Grant that as our desire is set on your commandments, we may receive with open hearts the spirit of wisdom and understanding; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God forever and ever. Amen.

(Ushers will collect prayer concerns at this time.)

***Hymn**

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

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Scripture Lesson

Genesis 15: 1 - 12, 17 - 18

Hugh Ferguson

Anthem

"He Keeps Me Singing"

Chancel Choir

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Invitation

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

Amy Beery

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GOD'S WORD

***Gospel Lesson**

Luke 13: 31 - 35

Pastor Sam

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"God's Hidden Work in the World"

Pastor Sam

HOLY COMMUNION

(By Intinction)

Communion Prayer

Service of Word and Table II

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The Great Thanksgiving

Sharing the Bread and Cup

***Closing Hymn**

"Lord of the Dance"

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***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction**

"Bind Us Together"

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****Postlude**

Amy Beery

****Please remain seated during the postlude for a time of reflection.**

Altar flowers provided to the glory of God by:

All God's People

Attendance on March 10, 2019: 74

Ash Wednesday: 41

Offering Received: \$2432.00

If you or a loved one is in the hospital or another medical facility, please contact Pastor Sam at 330-594-7074 or 330-607-4006. We are not contacted by the facility.

Joys & Concerns: Prayer Requests Week of March 17

Thanks be to God, for your continued prayers, cards, and phone calls. Al is surprising his doctors with his improvements, but they know how important it is to be part of a faith family - Al and Nancy Campbell.

Church Members: For John and Betty Oprian - FPUMC; For Nancy and Al Campbell - FPUMC; For Heather and Andrew who are having hard times - Doug and Karen Menefee; For Gary Eckenrode, for personal issues - George Nicol; For Betty Oprian, for healing - Sue and William Glymph.

Relatives and Friends: For Frank and Joyce Shepherd, our friends. Frank has cancer and is now in hospice at home - Dick and Phyllis Boike; For Barb Patton, my sister, for health reasons - Ruth Baker.

Shut-ins and Homebound Members: Jennie Chin, Gladys Bloomer, Jim Moore, Sherry & Keith Thomas, Hazeljean Adams, John Tucker, Marilyn Tayse, Tony & Connie Petrasedk, Diane Queer, Jane Sine, Ruth and David Roach, and other members who are unable to get to worship.

Sympathy: For those who have lost loved ones. May they rest in the arms of the Lord.



CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Mission of the Month for March: Canal District Apportionments. The money local churches contribute to their District and Conference to support District, Conference, and General church UM missions and ministry. **Our total for this year is \$1227.00.** Thanks to those who have already supported this mission, we are a little more than halfway there!

Easter baskets for our Young Disciples. Donations are still being accepted.

Easter Flower Orders. Order forms are in your bulletin and there are extras on the table in the back of the sanctuary. ***Please have your orders in no later than Sunday, March 24.***

Easter Breakfast Changes. The Easter breakfast this year will consist of muffins, pastries, donuts, and beverages provided by the church. We are in need of someone to setup and cleanup after the breakfast. Breakfast will be available from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. There will be a donation basket should you desire to contribute towards the expense of this breakfast. Please let Nancy Thomas know if you would like to help out.

Post General Conference Meetings. The video of the Sunday meeting has been uploaded to the East Ohio Conference YouTube page for viewing. You can watch it at <https://www.youtube.com/user/EastOhioUMC>.

PALM SUNDAY SERVICE

April 14, 10:30 a.m.

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

April 18, 7:00 p.m.

Combined service with Firestone Park Presbyterian and Allenside Presbyterian Churches at Allenside Presbyterian Church
410 Rexford St., Akron, OH 44314

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

April 19, 7:00 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunrise Service - 7:00 a.m.

Easter Breakfast - 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Easter Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.

Easter Cantata presented by the Chancel Choir
*"Kingdom, Power, Glory
Praising the Risen Christ"*

By Randy Vader, Jay Rouse, and Rose Aspinall