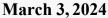
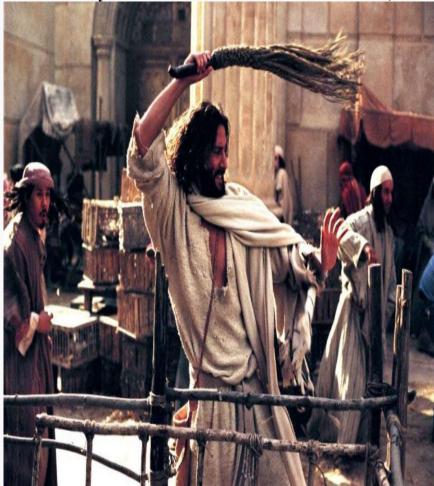
Third Sunday in Lent





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WESTMORELAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH **Reverend Dr. Thom Malcolm. Pastor** Pastor's Phone: 304-654-9440 PRELUDE "JESUS KEEP ME NEAR THE CROSS" GARY MAYNARD LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS *CALL TO WORSHIP: **ANN WHEELER** All: O Savior of the world, who by your cross and precious blood has redeemed us, save us, and help us. (Sarum Liturgy, England, 13^{th.} Cent. ALT) "How Great Thou Art" **UMH 77** *Hymn ***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:** UNISON Lord Jesus Christ: may our hearts be more fully open to you and the wonder of your word, your Living Word, that we may seek you and serve you both today and every day we are granted life. Amen. *RESPONSIVE READING PSALM 19 **UMH 750 UMH 70** *GLORIA PATRI HEBREW BIBLE READING EXODUS 20:1-17 SHARING OUR PRAISES & CONCERNS (PLEASE USE YOUR PRAYER CARD AND PUT IN PRAYER BASKET) **PASTORAL PRAYER *OFFERING / DOXOLOGY UMH 95** & OFFERTORY PRAYER **EPISTLE READING 1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-25** STEPHANIE MALCOLM, RLLP "The Old Rugged Cross" **UMH 504** *Hymn *GOSPEL READING JOHN 2:13-22

SERMON *"CLEANING HOUSE!"*

PASTOR THOM MALCOLM

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION UMH 12-15 INVITATION PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Pastor: I invite you to join me in our Prayer of Confession. Almighty God, we confess that we are often swept up in the tide of our generation, we have failed in our calling to be your holy people, a people set apart for your divine purpose. We live more in apathy born of fatalism than in passion born of hope. We are moved more by private ambition than by social justice. We dream more of privilege and benefits than of service and sacrifice. We try to speak in your Name without relinquishing our glories, without nourishing our souls, without relying wholly on your grace. Help us make room in our hearts for You. Forgive us, revive us, and reshape us in your image. (Lydia S. Martinez, Hispanic, U.S.A, 20th. Cent., ALT) THE GREAT THANKSGIVING RECEIVING THE ELEMENTS

*Hymn

"How Firm a Foundation"

UMH 529

*BENEDICTION AND THE LEADING OF THE LIGHT

*POSTLUDE

GARY MAYNARD

*Please stand only if you are able.

MARCH BACKPACK MINISTRY Please bring individual servings of macaroni and cheese.

Sunday School:Each Sunday10:00amChoir Practice:Each Tuesday5:00pmExercise class:Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:00am

Mark Your Calendar

Next Community Dinner is scheduled for Wednesday, March 20 @ 6:00pm Invite your family and friends!

Trayer List

If you have any additions or modifications to the prayer list, please complete a prayer request card or call the church office. For anyone placed on the prayer list, updates within 3 weeks would be appreciated so our prayer list can be kept current.

Aaron Baker & Mother, Elizabeth Dawn Baumgardner Shirley Bias Beth Carson Bob Carrico Jill & Jim Combs Bill Hively Randy Lively Sara Beth Lowry Tom Maynard Mabel Pillion Red Sowder The Roswell Family Brian Tuttle Gene & Ellenda Ward Connie Watson The Family of Kenneth Gallagher Jim Finley and Family

Remember those not able to join us for church: Betty Craig, Donna & Dave Davis, Joy Fetty, Ruth Kelley, Patricia Morgan, Jim Reed, Harold Sowards, Dan & Shirley Webster

Office Hours: Pastor Thom Malcolm Wed/ Thurs 1:30-4:00

Stephanie Malcolm Secretary: Donna Rumbaugh

> Music Director: Pianist: Liturgist:

Cell: 304-654-9440 Cell: 304-654-9148 Wed/Thurs 2:30-4:30 Cell: 304-633-3680 Gary Maynard Gary Maynard Ann Wheeler

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Events – March

Tuesday, March 5 Tuesday, March 12	6:00pm 6:00pm	Women's Circle Educ/Outreach
Wednesday, March 20	6:00pm	Community Dinner
Holy Week	March 28 March 29	 Palm Sunday Service 11:00am Maundy Thursday Serv. 7:00pm Good Friday Service 7:00pm Easter Worship Service 11:00am

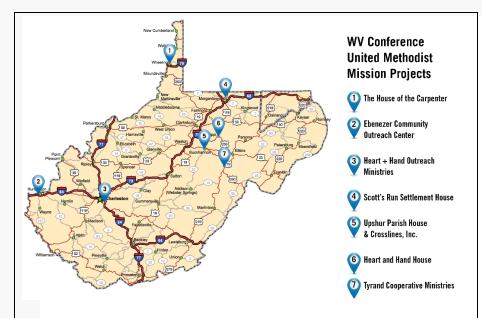
WOMEN'S CIRCLE

Friendly reminder if you signed up to bring an item for the Easter Baskets for "those unable to attend church", please bring to our Women's Circle scheduled for Tues., March 5 as we plan on putting the baskets together at our meeting. If you have any questions, please ask Sheree Downey.

EASTER FOOD BASKETS

As an outreach activity for March, we will be preparing Easter Food Baskets for two families in our community who are in need. If you would like to contribute, we will have a sign-up sheet with specific items in the vestibule. If you have any questions, please ask Ann Wheeler or Laura Blake.

Stewardship Report: Month of February 2024 We greatly appreciate the continued generousity of our church family.					
Amount Budgeted	\$	6,610			
Received Year-to-Date	\$	13,944			
Amount Budgeted Year-to-Date	\$	13,466			
Over/(Under) Budget	\$	478			
2024 State Apportionment Paid	\$	4,064		(Year-to-date 17%)	
2024 State Apportionment	\$	24,383		(Annual Budget)	



The Seven Mission Projects affiliated with the West Virginia United Methodist Church Conference are one way we show the love of Christ in our communities. Emergency food and utility assistance, housing rehabilitation projects, thrift stores, and newborn layettes are a few examples of what these ministries do.

All these ministries are supported by our apportionment dollars. We are encouraged to help be the hands and feet of Christ to our neighbors across our wonderful State.

Each Sunday, we will focus on one of the mission projects so that we are knowledgeable of the work being done with our apportionment dollars. As you know, we were able to pay 100% in 2023 and some of these funds are directed to these projects.

This week, we will focus on Scott's Run Settlement House located in Osage, WV.





Helping residents in Monongalia County since 1922.

Our Mission: Scott's Run Settlement House serves individuals and families in Monongalia County by providing basic necessities with kindness, dignity, and respect.

Backpack Feeding Program : Providing for 900+ food bags per week to local schools.

Food Pantry: Everyday food pantry.

Baby Pantry: Baby basics for parents in need.

Senior Box Program: Almost 20% of Mon Country residents are over the age of 60, and this part of our population often needs a little help.

Hom e Repair: Provide work teams to help with painting, roofing, and building ramps.

Free and Fresh Market: In partnership with local businesses such as Sam's Club, we receive daily allocations of fresh fruits and vegetables as well as other non-

perishable items and even books! If we are not able to use these items in our daily/weekly pantry programs, we offer them in our Free and Fresh Market.

Seasonal Program s: Making every holiday special. Served 700 children at Christmas.

2,060 children in Mon County are food insecure Nearly 1 in 5 Mon County residents live in poverty 18% of our neighbors have severe housing issues