

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 10, 2024



AMAZING GRACE  
HOW SWEET  
THE SOUND

VERSE 1

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# **WESTMORELAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

*Reverend Dr. Thom Malcolm, Pastor*

*Pastor's Phone: 304-654-9440*

*UMCOR Sunday*

**PRELUDE** “*O, HOW HE LOVES YOU AND ME*” **GARY MAYNARD**

**LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:**

**JIM CHANDLER**

Leader: Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on us. As we gather in this place, allow your Spirit to fill our very being.

**People: As we worship today, we remember our brothers and sisters who are worshipping elsewhere throughout the world.**

**Inspire each of us to work more faithfully for justice and dignity.**

Leader: Raise our vision above the barriers of color, and creed that separates us. Give us wisdom as we deal with one another. Help us to recognize and to respect different ways, rather than to judge.

**People: In the Spirit of Jesus who came not to be served, but to serve, we now must walk in the world. We must reach out our hands with help and open our hearts in love. Awake, in us the desire to seek your way of serving you in the world.**

(Nancy R. McMasster, U.S.A., 20<sup>th</sup>. Cent., ALT.)

**\*HYMN** “*COME, YE SINNERS, POOR & NEEDY*”

**UMH 340**

**\*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 107:1-3, 17-22**

**INSERT**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

**UMH 70**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** “*CROWN HIM KING OF KINGS & ABOVE ALL*”  
**CHOIR MEDLEY**

**HEBREW BIBLE READING**

**NUMBERS 21:4-9**

**SHARING OUR PRAISES & CONCERNS**

*(PLEASE USE YOUR PRAYER CARD AND PUT IN PRAYER BASKET)*

**PASTORAL PRAYER & “THE LORD’S PRAYER”**

**\*OFFERING / DOXOLOGY  
& OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**UMH 95**

**EPISTLE READING**

**EPHESIANS 2:1-10  
STEPHANIE MALCOLM, RLLP**

**\*HYMN “SAVIOR, LIKE A SHEPHERD, LEAD US” UMH 381**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION: WE CONFESS TO YOU, ALL-KNOWING GOD, WHAT WE ARE. WE ARE NOT THE PEOPLE WE LIKE OTHERS TO THINK WE ARE. WE ARE AFRAID TO ADMIT, EVEN TO OURSELVES, WHAT LIES IN THE DEPTHS OF OUR SOULS. BUT WE CANNOT HIDE OUR TRUE SELVES FROM YOU. YOU KNOW US AS WE ARE, AND YET YOU LOVE US. HELP US NOT TO SHRINK FROM SELF-KNOWLEDGE. TEACH US TO RESPECT OURSELVES FOR YOUR SAKE. GIVE US THE COURAGE TO PUT OUR TRUST IN YOUR GUIDING POWER. RAISE US OUT OF THE PARALYSIS OF GUILT INTO THE FREEDOM AND ENERGY OF FORGIVEN PEOPLE. AND FOR THOSE WHO THROUGH LONG HABIT FIND FORGIVENESS HARD TO ACCEPT, WE ASK YOU TO BREAK THEIR BONDAGE AND SET THEM FREE THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR REDEEMER. (ENGLAND, 20<sup>TH</sup>. CENT.,ALT.)**

**\*GOSPEL READING**

**JOHN 3:14-21**

**SERMON “THERE IS A WAY” PASTOR THOM MALCOLM**

**\*HYMN *AMAZING GRACE* UMH 378**

**\*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 Sunday 10:00am**

**Choir Practice: Tuesday Mar. 12<sup>th</sup>. 5:00pm**

**NO Choir Practice Tuesday Mar. 19<sup>th</sup>.**

**Exercise class: Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:00am**

## **Mark Your Calendar**

**Next Community Dinner is scheduled for Wed. Mar. 20 @  
6:00pm Invite your family and friends!**

### ***Prayer 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.*

<b>Aaron Baker &amp; Mother, Elizabeth Dawn Baumgardner Shirley Bias Beth Carson Bob Carrico Jill &amp; Jim Combs Bill Hively Randy Lively Sara Beth Lowry</b>	<b>Tom Maynard Mabel Pillion Red Sowder The Roswell Family Brian Tuttle Gene &amp; Ellenda Ward Connie Watson The Family of Kenneth Gallagher</b>
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***Remember those not able to attend.***

**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**

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**Stephanie Malcolm**

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***Secretary:* Donna Rumbaugh**

**Wed/Thurs 2:30-4:30**

**Cell: 304-633-3680**

***Music Director:***

**Gary Maynard**

***Pianist:***

**Gary Maynard**

***Liturgist:***

**Jim Chandler**

**Please note: Any information for the bulletin needs to be  
in the church office on Wednesdays by 2:30pm.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### *Upcoming Events – March*

**Tuesday, March 12**                      6:00pm    Educ/Outreach  
**Wednesday, March 20**                6:00pm    Community Dinner



**March 24**    **Palm Sunday Service**  
                  **11:00am**  
**March 28**    **Maundy Thursday Serv.**  
                  **7:00pm**  
**March 29**    **Good Friday Service**  
                  **7:00pm**  
**March 31**    **Easter Worship Service**  
                  **11:00am**

## **RESPONSIVE READING**

### **Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22**

**Leader:** O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

**People:** **Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those he redeemed from trouble**

**Leader:** and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

**People:** **Some were sick through their sinful ways, and because of their iniquities endured affliction;**

**Leader:** they loathed any kind of food, and they drew near to the gates of death.

**People:** **Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress;**

**Leader:** he sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from destruction.

**People:** **Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.**

**Leader:** And let them offer thanksgiving sacrifices, and tell of his deeds with songs of joy.

## WV Conference United Methodist Mission Projects



- 1 The House of the Carpenter
- 2 Ebenezer Community Outreach Center
- 3 Heart + Hand Outreach Ministries
- 4 Scott's Run Settlement House
- 5 Upshur Parish House & Crosslines, Inc.
- 6 Heart and Hand House
- 7 Tyrand Cooperative Ministries

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 **Upshur Parish House & Crosslines, Inc.** located in **Buckhannon, WV**.



"Celebration of the One Who Calls Us to Mission"



UPSHUR COOPERATIVE

PARISH  
HOUSE

## WORKING TOGETHER AS NEIGHBORS

**Lunch Program:** Free lunches are prepared and provided at Parish House by members of local churches and church organizations on Wednesdays and Fridays at noon. Everyone is invited and welcomed to these lunches. It is also a great opportunity to meet and socialize with other neighbors and volunteer members of Parish House. They will always greet you with kindness and warmth.

**Clothes Closet:** Every two months, each family or individual neighbor can receive an emergency clothing voucher at Parish House for the following items: 3 Tops, 3 Pants/Shorts, 3 Undergarments (Bras, Socks, Underwear), 1 pair of Shoes, 1 Coat , 1 Household item under \$10.

**Utility:** Provides emergency support for paying utility bills, including gas, electricity, water, and rent. Each family or individual neighbor can receive emergency financial support every six months. The financial support does not go to individual families and neighbors. Instead, it goes directly to utility companies.

**Food Pantry:** Every month, each family or individual neighbor can receive different types of emergency food packages. These packages include canned foods and packs of grains, as well as fresh vegetables, fruits, and sometimes meat.

**Personal items and feminine hygiene items:** Personal items and feminine hygiene items are also available every month.