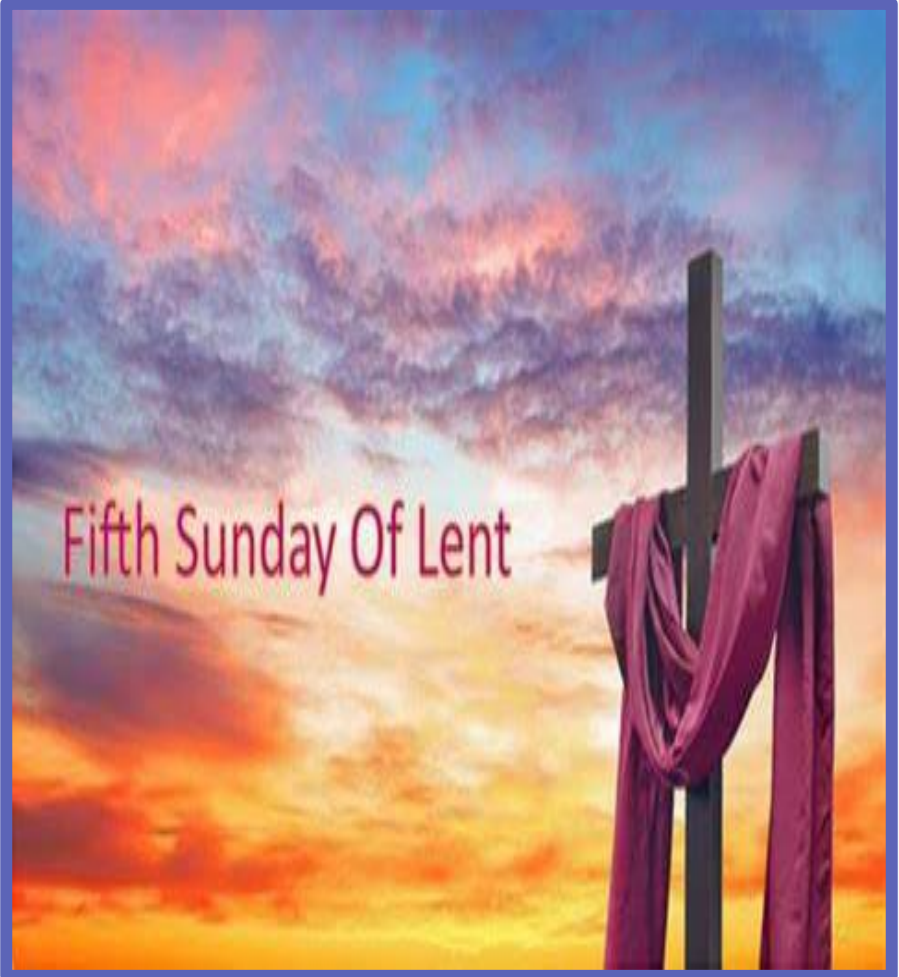


Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024



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PRELUDE “LORD BE GLORIFIED” GARY MAYNARD

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP DONNA WOLFE

Leader: If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

People: For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. *(Mark 8:34b-35.)*

*HYMN “NEAR TO THE HEART OF GOD” UMH 472

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION UNISON

Lord, open our hearts, and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

*RESPONSIVE READING *PSALM 51:1-12* UMH 785

*GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

SPECIAL MUSIC DEBBIE MAYNARD

HEBREW BIBLE READING JEREMIAH 3:31-34

SHARING OUR PRAISES & CONCERNS

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

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

*OFFERING / DOXOLOGY UMH 95
& OFFERTORY PRAYER

EPISTLE READING

HEBREWS 5:5-10
STEPHANIE MALCOLM, RLLP

*HYMN “TIS FINISHED! THE MESSIAH DIES” UMH 282

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor: I invite you to join me as we pray. We confess that the circle of love is repeatedly broken because of our sin of exclusion. We create separate circles: the inner circle and the outer circle. The circle of power and the circle of despair, the circle of privilege and the circle of deprivation.

People: Forgive us our sins, as we forgive all who have sinned against us.

Pastor: We confess that the circle of love is broken whenever there is alienation, whenever there is misunderstanding, whenever there is insensitivity or a hardening of the heart.

People: Forgive us our sins, as we forgive all who have sinned against us.

Pastor: We confess that the circle of love is broken whenever we cannot see eye to eye, whenever we cannot link hand to hand, whenever we cannot live heart to heart and affirm our differences.

People: Forgive us our sins, as we forgive all who have sinned against us.

Pastor: Through God's grace, we are forgiven, by the mercy of our Creator, through the love of the Christ, and in the power of the Spirit. Let us rejoice and be glad!

People: Glory to God! Amen.

***GOSPEL READING**

JOHN 12:20-33

SERMON

"HOPE FOR US!"

PASTOR THOM MALCOLM

***HYMN**

"BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS"

UMH 297

***LEADING OF THE LIGHT AND BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

GARY MAYNARD

****Please stand only if you are able.***

******WORSHIP COMMITTEE scheduled for today
and time will be announced******

NO Choir Practice Tuesday Mar. 19th.

MARCH BACKPACK MINISTRY

Please bring individual servings of macaroni and cheese.

Sunday School: Each Sunday 10:00am

Exercise class: Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:00am

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.

Aaron Baker & Mother, Elizabeth
Dawn Baumgardner
Shirley Bias
Josh Blankenship
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

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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Gary Maynard

Pianist:

Gary Maynard

Liturgist:

Donna Wolfe

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in the church office on Wednesdays by 2:30pm.**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNITY DINNER and CELEBRATION!

We will be celebrating Jim Reed's 100th birthday at our Community Dinner. Jim is a longstanding and beloved church member. **COME JOIN US and BRING A FRIEND** on Wednesday, March 20th @ 6:00pm.

EASTER BASKET DELIVERY

Our Easter Baskets for "those unable to attend church" are ready for delivery. If you would like to volunteer, the baskets are in the parlor and ready to pick up after church. **THANK YOU!**



- 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

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: April 21st

More information will be coming but mark your calendar for April 21st. We will be hosting a Community & Family Event at 4:00pm with special guest, Joseph Young, Christian Illusionist. He will also join us for an introduction at our morning worship service.

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 Heart and Hand House located in Philippi, WV.



"Celebration of the One Who Calls Us to Mission"



Heart and Hand House, Inc.

affiliated with the United Methodist Church



MISSION: Heart and Hand House, Inc. is a non-profit mission project located in north central West Virginia. It exists because of the clear Christian mandate to minister to the physical, mental, spiritual, and emotional needs of in-crisis, low-income people of Barbour County, WV. We also operate two thrift stores and The Market Place, home of our Community Garden Market.

Emergency Assistance: Frequently, unexpected circumstances like the loss of a job or a sick parent throw a family with limited resources into a crisis. Heart and Hand's Emergency Service programs are designed to help families who find themselves without a safety net when unplanned events become more than they can handle. For example: If a family has lost their house to a fire we provide free clothing, linens, dishes, etc. through our thrift store.

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

Utilities & Rent: Each family or individual can receive emergency financial support for utilities every six months.

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