

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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## FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT March 15, 2015 – 10:30 a.m.

\*Please Stand as **YOU** Are Able

### PEOPLE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER TODAY

**SHUT-INS:** Marian G., Reba S., Kitty W., Flo B., Ethel B., Jean M., Helen K., Sis S., Jane M., Fay M., Dorothy P., Ruth C., Ray B., Dottie S., Dorothy C.

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### PREPARATION

CHIMES: CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

*[A Time for Meditation and Prayer]*

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTRODUCTION

*The fourth of the Old Testament promises providing a baptismal lens this Lent is the promise God makes to Moses: those who look on the bronze serpent will live. In today's gospel Jesus says he will be lifted up on the cross like the serpent, so that those who look to him in faith will live. When we receive the sign of the cross in baptism, that cross becomes the sign we can look to in faith, for healing, for restored relationship to God, for hope when we are dying.*

### \* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who brings us out of captivity into freedom, out of the wilderness into the promised land, out of death into life.*

**C Amen**

*P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.*

*Silence is kept for reflection*

*P Gracious God,*

**C we confess that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Forgive us and give us strength to turn from sin and to serve you in newness of life. Amen**

*P By water and the Holy Spirit, God gives us a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, + God forgives us all our sins. Almighty God strengthen us in all goodness and keep us in eternal life.*

**C Amen**

\* SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

*P The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

**C And also with you.**

Congregational sharing: **"Peace be with you."**

**GATHERING**

\* ENTRANCE HYMN "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

\* GREETING

*P The grace of Jesus Christ our Savior, the reconciling love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

**C And also with you.**

\* KYRIE (**C - sung**)

*P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.*

**C Lord, have mercy.**

*P For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.*

**C Lord, have mercy.**

*P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.*

**C Lord, have mercy.**

*P For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.*

**C Lord, have mercy.**

*P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.*

**C Amen**

\* PRAYER OF THE DAY (**spoken in unison**)

*P Let us pray...*

**C O God, rich in mercy, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world and rescued us from the hopelessness of death. Lead us into your light, that all our deeds may reflect your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

**WORD**

FIRST READING: Numbers 21:4-9

The First Reading is from the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter of Numbers.

THE LESSON READS:

<sup>4</sup>From Mount Hor [the Israelites] set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup>The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." <sup>6</sup>Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. <sup>7</sup>The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." <sup>9</sup>So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Lector: Here ends the reading.

**Cong: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 (responsively)

L *You deliver your people from their distress. (Ps. 107:19)*

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good, for God's mercy endures forever.

**<sup>2</sup>Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,**

<sup>3</sup>gathering them in from the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

**<sup>17</sup>Some were fools and took rebellious paths; through their sins they were afflicted.**

<sup>18</sup>They loathed all manner of food and drew near to death's door.

**<sup>19</sup>Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD and you delivered them from their distress.**

<sup>20</sup>You sent forth your word and healed them and rescued them from the grave.

**<sup>21</sup>Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love and your wonderful works for all people.**

<sup>22</sup>Let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving and tell of your deeds with shouts of joy.

**ALL You deliver your people from their distress.**

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:1-10

The Second Reading is from the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter of Ephesians.

THE LESSON READS:

<sup>1</sup>You were dead through the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup>in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. <sup>3</sup>All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else.

<sup>4</sup>But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—<sup>6</sup>and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly

places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—<sup>9</sup>not the result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Lector: Here ends the reading.

**Cong: Thanks be to God.**

\* LENTEN VERSE **(sung)**

Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

\* GOSPEL: John 3:14-21

*P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter.*

**C Glory to you, O Lord. (sung)**

THE GOSPEL READS:

[Jesus said:] <sup>14</sup>Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. <sup>16</sup>For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. <sup>18</sup>Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. <sup>19</sup>And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup>For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. <sup>21</sup>But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

*P The Gospel of the Lord.*

**C Praise to you, O Christ. (sung)**

SERMON

Pastor Esborn

\* HYMN OF THE DAY "Just As I Am, without One Plea"

\* APOSTLES' CREED **(all)**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

\* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*P Led by Christ in our journey of repentance and moved by his compassion, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.*

*A brief silence.*

*P Loving God, make your church bold proclaimers of the gospel, so that those who do not know the depth of your love in Christ will hear and believe. Hear us, O God.*

**C Your mercy is great.**

*P Give us hearts filled with love for your creation, so that our words and deeds bear witness to the unending care you have for the whole cosmos. Hear us, O God.*

**C Your mercy is great.**

*P Encourage nations to work together for the sake of all people. Break down barriers that prejudice has built up, and restore the dignity of every living thing. Hear us, O God.*

**C Your mercy is great.**

*P Provide respite and healing for all who suffer (especially all of our shut-ins [both at home and in nursing homes]), and for Dorothy Patterson, Sarah Shellenberger, Rick Waller, Sr., Avonel Waller, Jesse Kint, Jim Woltman, Ed Forney, Allison Saner, Miriam Sowers Bolton, Charlene Aughey, Marti Geise, Brian Arentz, John & Sheila Sprengle, Rick Varner, Carol & John Mahlin, John Miller, Bob & Jeanette St. Clair, Heidi Woltman, Charlie Rush, Doug Wagner, Bill Corbin, Jamie & her family, Allison Garver, Wally Zook, Terry Coder, Kolleen Seibel, and Clara Shepps). Hold all people in your expansive love, and restore wholeness of body, mind, and spirit. Hear us, O God.*

**C Your mercy is great.**

*P Turn our hearts to praise as we are forgiven, healed, and freed from every evil that binds us. Shine your light upon us, so that nothing about our life in you is hidden. Hear us, O God.*

**C Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

*P Resurrecting God, we remember those who now worship at your throne (especially), and with expectant hearts we await the day when all will behold you in glory. Hear us, O God.*

**C Your mercy is great.**

*P Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.*

**C Amen.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*[Please pass the Friendship Pad down your pew for all to sign and then back to the center aisle so everyone has the opportunity to read the names. We request that our guests also give us their home address. Thank you].*

ANTHEM

\* SUNG OFFERTORY (sung)

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

\* OFFERING PRAYER

*P God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**C Amen**

**MEAL**

\* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*P With his Body and Blood, Jesus Christ delivers us from the power of darkness.*

**C and leads us into the Kingdom of God.**

*P Christ has humbled himself and become obedient unto death,*

**C even to death on a cross.**

*P He was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities,*

**C and on him was the chastisement that made us whole.**

*P Here at his holy table he feeds us now with his Body and Blood.*

**C Glory to you, our Lord and Savior; with your Body and Blood you redeem the World.**

\* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

*P Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.*

**C We praise you, O God.**

*P Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.*

**C We bless you, O God.**

*P We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.*

**C We thank you, O God.**

*P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

*Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

*Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith.*

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*P We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world. Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.*

**C Amen**

\* THE LORD'S PRAYER ['trespasses'] **(all)**

**C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

\* INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*P Come to Christ, broken and poured out for you.*

(In hospitality and attempting to meet the needs of individuals, Messiah now offers gluten free communion hosts. If you wish to receive gluten free hosts, please come to the side where Pastor Esborn is serving).

DISTRIBUTION

*["INTINCTION" – dip your wafer in the wine. Come forward by the center aisle and return by the side aisle. All who wish to stand at the chancel rail after partaking for a time of silent meditation are invited to do so].*

\* COMMUNION BLESSING

*P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.*

**C Amen**

\* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*P Merciful God, accompany our journey through these forty days. Renew us in the gift of baptism, that we may provide for those who are poor, pray for those in need, fast from self-indulgence, and above all that we may find our treasure in the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.*

**C Amen**

**SENDING**

\* BLESSING

*P The blessing of God Almighty, the wisdom and power of + Christ Jesus, and the light of the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.*

**C A-men, A-men, A-men (sung)**

\* DISMISSAL

*P Go in peace. Remember the poor.*

**C Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING CHIMES

NEXT WEEK'S LECTOR – Diana Wise

NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR GUILD – Ann Beaver

## **WELCOME**

IF YOU WISH TO USE OR FOLLOW THE LITURGY MUSIC as we proceed through the service today, please use the purple portfolios placed on top of the sound control system. In addition, headsets are available in the narthex for our sound enhancement system for the hearing impaired.

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME to worship at Messiah. We invite you to register your visit not only in the Friendship Pads, but also in the guest book provided in the narthex. If you are seeking a church home, please speak to the pastor. Our fellowship in Jesus Christ is open and extended to all persons who confess His Lordship over all life. Thank you for worshiping with us. We invite you to return. Visitors are invited to commune with us if they are baptized and, if with us in our faith, they trust Jesus' promise of the presence of the Body and Blood of Christ.

WE INVITE EVERYONE (members and visitors) worshiping with us today to sign the Friendship Pads during the Organ Offertory. If you are a visitor, please be sure to include your address when signing. Please also place a check mark in the box (beside your name) if you are communing today and have not as yet given us a record of your participation in the sacrament during this quarter. (A new quarter begins in January, April, July, and October). The pads are found on the aisle seat of each pew in the nave, and in each section of the Adult Sunday School Room.

PRAYER REQUESTS will be placed in the weekly bulletin for one month. If you wish to have someone included in the prayer list for more than one month, please call the church office. THE DEADLINE FOR ALL ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SUNDAY BULLETIN IS THURSDAY NOON.

DIAL-A-PRAYER (436-2100) IS AVAILABLE 24 HOURS DAILY!

JUST A THOUGHT – J. B. Phillips, Bible Translator (1905 – 1982): Every time we say “I believe in the Holy Spirit,” we believe there is a living God able and willing to enter human personality and change it.

## **CONGREGATIONAL NEWS**

PRAYER CHAIN – Any time you wish to add a name to our prayer list, please contact Stacie Kint at [dskint@nmax.net](mailto:dskint@nmax.net). If at any time you would like to receive emails with prayer requests, please also contact Stacie.

**ATTENTION!** – A Mother and Child Banquet will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2015 at Messiah. Please mark your calendars for that date. More information will follow in upcoming bulletins.

PPC MEETING will be held tonight at 7:00 p.m. in the Youth Area.

THE BOARD OF CHURCH PROPERTY will meet on Monday, March 23, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Choir Room.



JUNIATA COUNTY THRIVENT BOARD – As of the February meeting of the Juniata County Thrivent Board, changes have been made to the allocation process for **Care Abounds In Community Funding**. Each application received will be allotted a maximum amount of \$125 with a \$50 “bonus” **IF** someone from the group/organization applies for **Action Team Funds**. Every Thrivent member is eligible to receive \$250 twice a year as “seed money” for a project. You can apply online at [www.thrivent.com/actionteams](http://www.thrivent.com/actionteams) or by contacting Sam Leister at 436-8589.

CHURCH TREASURER NEEDED – Messiah has a position opening for church treasurer. Requirements are: the position of church treasurer must be held by an adult member of the congregation. A knowledge in proper accounting procedures is preferred. The following are some but not all of the position duties of the church treasurer:

1. Recording the congregational receipts and disbursements.
2. Suggest improved methods and systems for financial record keeping.
3. Present a written financial report for Voters' Assembly meetings and PPC meetings.
4. Submit permanent financial records for an annual audit.
5. Pay salaries and bills as authorized by the congregation or Directors of Boards.
6. Coordinate the flow of monies from the treasury in a balanced manor.
7. Oversee the signing of all checks for payment of bills, salaries or other commitments of the congregation.

Any person interested in more information about this position may contact the church office in order to obtain a complete written job description. Further questions may be directed to PPC Executive Director, Kenneth Mummah or Pastor Esborn. Church office phone number is 436-6213, email address is [messiahlutheran@pa.net](mailto:messiahlutheran@pa.net).

ORGANIST NEEDED – If you, or anyone you know might be interested—Messiah has an immediate opening for Church Organist for weekly services. Also included Wednesday evening choir rehearsal, except for summer months. Allen Digital Electric Organ and Kurzweil Electronic Keyboard. Candidates should call Diana Wise at 717-436-6629 evenings for more information, including salary. Possibilities include either full-time or half-time employment. Additional information about the church and congregation can be found at [www.mlcmissifflintown.org](http://www.mlcmissifflintown.org).

“THE NEEDLERS” are in need of additional sewing machines. If you or someone you know has a working sewing machine at home that is no longer being used, please consider donating it to “The Needlers.”

GET EXCITED FOR CAMP THIS SUMMER! – Campers of all ages are invited to come to Camp Mount Luther this summer and take advantage of all the programs they have to offer! There are traditional, specialty and trip camps for school-aged kids and Family Camp for kids and adults. Mount Luther is located five miles west of Mifflinburg, in Union County.

Don't forget that if you register before April 1, 2015, you receive a discount on your camp fee. Or, if you bring a friend to camp who's never been there, you and the friend (or sibling or church buddy) can both get \$25 off your registration! Just check that option on the registration form and send the forms together.

Kate Swailes is serving this year as our camperson, a liaison between Mount Luther and our congregation. Because we have a camperson, you can see her to get an additional discount! For more information on summer camp programs, you can contact your camperson or visit the camp website at [www.campmountluther.org](http://www.campmountluther.org). Camping brochures and registration forms are available on the table in the Adult Sunday School Room.

THE NEW ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE for July 2015 through June 2016 will be completed by June 1<sup>st</sup>. We are currently in need of more people to serve on Altar Guild, as a few of our long-serving members are no longer able to help. If you would like to serve, please either call the church office or contact Bob St. Clair. All Altar Guild members will be sent a copy of the annual schedule in June. Thanks to all for your willingness to serve.

THE NEW LECTOR SCHEDULE for July, 2015 through June, 2016 will be completed by June 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are not already serving as a lector and you would like to read the weekly scripture readings, please notify the church office. Any young people who would like to read on the first Sunday of the month are also asked to notify the church office. If you would like to be deleted from the list, again let the office know. All lectors will be sent a copy of the annual schedule in June. Thanks to all of you who volunteer for this role in our worship service.

EASTER LILIES to decorate the church on Easter Sunday, may be placed in memory or in honor of someone or to the Glory of God. Cost will be \$10 for a plant with 4 to 6 blooms. You may call the church office at 436-6213 to place your order.

SYNOD ASSEMBLY DELEGATES NEEDED – Two members of Messiah are needed to attend the annual Synod Assembly on June 19-20, 2015 at Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove. If you are interested in serving, please contact Pastor Esborn or the church office.

HELP AVAILABLE – If you or someone you know needs help with home repairs or yard work, there are volunteers in our community who may be able to help. For more information, contact Michael “Doc” Johnston at 436-9209.

THANK YOU to Pastor Bill and all my church family for all the sympathy cards and prayers on the death of my brother, John H. Clark. May God bless all of you.

Minnie C. Minick

### **WOMEN OF THE ELCA**

MESSIAH WOMEN OF THE ELCA continuously collect new bath-size bars of soap (4oz. to 5oz., preferably Ivory or unscented Dove) as an on-going project for Lutheran World Relief. Please place soap in the basket on the blue table in the Adult Sunday School Room.

SEAFARERS PROJECT – Women of the ELCA are collecting items for the Seafarers Project. Items needed are: sweatshirts (preferably hooded sizes L-XL), thermal or white gym socks (no dress socks), casual pull-over T-shirts sizes M-L, and heavy knit winter caps. Please place items on the table in the Adult Sunday School Room.

## **COMMUNITY**

MEALS-ON-WHEELS needs volunteer drivers, cooks and people to help assemble meals. If you have some spare time and can help, please call Dottie Heck at 436-6002 or 717-348-1950 (cell).

FABULOUS FUND RAISER TUESDAYS – When: Tuesday, March 24, 2015. Where: Harshbarger's Sub 'N Malt Shop. Eat there any time during that day (or takeout) and they will donate 25% of what you paid for your food to the DeLauter Youth Center. You must turn in a ticket when you eat for the Center to receive those monies. Harshbarger's food is great! Thanks for supporting the DeLauter Youth Center!! Tickets are available on the piano in the Adult Sunday School Room.

LENTEN FISH DINNERS (all-you-can-eat) will be held every Friday during Lent from 4-7 p.m. in the church social hall at St. Jude's Catholic Church. Meals will include fried and baked fish, popcorn shrimp, fried clams, French fries, macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, corn, green beans, coleslaw, applesauce, rolls, puddings, and a selection of homemade desserts. Pay at the door: Adults - \$12.00, Ages 6-12 - \$6.00, under 6 – free. Sponsored by St. Jude's Knights of Columbus.

THE NEXT WOMEN'S COMMUNITY LENTEN TEA will be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at Westminster Presbyterian Church with fellowship time at 9:30 a.m. followed by the Bible Study at 10:00 a.m. This year's study will be from the book "GIVE IT UP!" The lessons encourage us to give up different things each week.

THE NEXT COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICE, sponsored by the Twin-Boro Ministerium, will be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church. Pastor Stephanie Rupert will be preaching on the theme: "Fruits of the Tree of Life." Galatians 5:16-26, Ps 1:3b.

MIFFLINTOWN MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST will be held on Saturday, March 21, 2015 at 7:00 a.m. at JP Restaurant. Cost will be \$5.75 per person. The speaker will be Chris Mathiason and the prayer leader will be John Shirk. Music will be provided by Brent Stoner.

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR MARCH**

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Hours: Tuesday 9-12 & 1-5, Saturday 9-12

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**THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH**

- Today:** -9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Catechetical Class.  
-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.  
-7 p.m., PPC meeting in Youth Area.
- Monday:** -NEWSLETTER DEADLINE.  
-8 p.m., AA meeting in Fellowship Hall.
- Tuesday:** -9 a.m., "The Needlers" in Fellowship Hall.
- Wednesday:** -9:30 a.m. Women's Community Lenten Tea at Westminster Presbyterian Church.  
-7 p.m., Community Lenten Service at Westminster Presbyterian Church.
- Thursday:** -1 p.m., Dulcimer rehearsal.
- Saturday:** -7 a.m., Men's Prayer Breakfast at JP Restaurant.
- Sunday:** -9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Catechetical Class.  
-10:30 a.m., Healing Service/Communion/Jr. Church.

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Please provide the church office with your email address (in case of bad weather), so everyone can be contacted if services are cancelled. Radio stations no longer work well. If you do not have an email address, but have a family member that could be contacted through their email address, please use that address.

\_\_\_\_\_ Name(s)

\_\_\_\_\_ Email address

\_\_\_\_\_ Alternate email address