

## ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

### SUNDAY, March 19

Worship Service 8:30 am - Chapel  
Worship Service 10:15 am - Sanctuary and Livestream  
Sunday School 10:15 am  
Reuse/Recycle 11:30 am - Fellowship Hall  
SLuG Meeting 6:15 pm - Sr. High Room  
Sr. High 180 7:00 pm - Sr. High room

### MONDAY, March 20

Adult Lenten Study 10:30 am – Room 205  
Finance Committee 7:00 pm - Pastor's Office & Zoom

### TUESDAY, March 21

Art Guild 9:30 am - Room 205  
Small Group Book Study 7:30 pm - Offsite  
Church Leadership Council 7:00 pm - Chapel

### WEDNESDAY, March 22

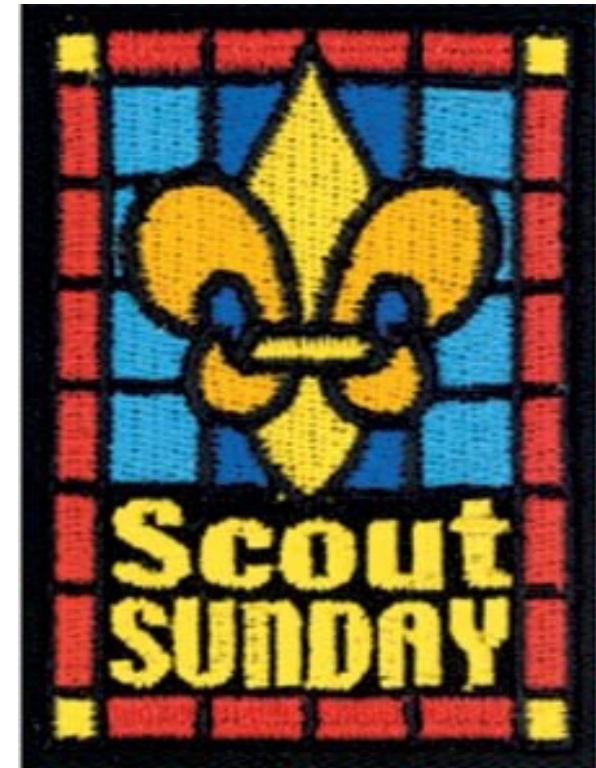
Prayer Time with Pastor Cerna 11:00 am - Zoom  
Children's Choir 5:00 pm - Room 208  
TGiv Dinner 5:30 pm - Fellowship Hall  
Jr High 180 6:30 pm - Jr. High Room  
Bell Choir 6:30 pm - Sanctuary  
Chancel Choir 7:30 pm - Choir Room

### THURSDAY March, 23

Lay Leadership Nomination 7:00 pm - Zoom

### FRIDAY, March 25

Advocate Mizpah Social 7:00 pm - Fellowship Hall



The Call to Worship, Opening Prayer, Passing of the Peace,  
and Offertory Prayer are taken from the Abingdon Worship Annual.

### OUR MINISTRY TEAM

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**Sunday, March 19, 2023**

**10:15 am**

**Fourth Sunday in Lent**

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**Exploring Our Faith, Extending Christ's Reach**

With God's grace, our congregation's hearts, minds and doors are open to people of all races, ethnicities, physical and mental abilities, sexual orientations, gender identities, and economic conditions.



**Sunday, March 19, 2023**  
**Scout and UMCOR Sunday**  
**10:15 am Sanctuary & Livestream**

**Prelude** "Lament" John E. West

**Welcome & Announcements** Bill Robison

**United Methodist Men New Officers Recognition** Don Matheny

**Flag Ceremony** Scouts from Troop 14 and Pack 14

**Special Music** "This Land is Your Land" Hazel Murphy, piano

**Presentation of God & Church Award** Bill Robison  
 Alex Hagen-McIntosh, Sophia Murphy, James Rand,  
 Cooper Robison, Eliza Robison, Matthew Strudeman

**\*Call to Worship** Jacob Gale

Leader Dawn is breaking; Christ's light is shining.  
**People The light of the world shines in our lives.**  
 Leader Put aside the cares of the night.  
**People In the Lord, we live in the light.**  
 Leader Even in the darkest valley, God illuminates our path.  
**People Even in times of despair, hope shines forth.**  
 Leader Sleeper, awake! Christ's light is shining.  
**All The light of the world shines in our lives.**

**\*Hymn** "Open My Eyes, That I May See" Hymnal 454

**Opening Prayer (unison)** Rev. Cerna Castro Rand  
**Light of all lights be our vision this day. Open our eyes to behold your glory. Open our hearts to the warmth of your love. Open our minds to the flame of your truth. Open our souls to the glory of living as children of the light that others may see in our living the sacred mystery of your kingdom. Amen.**

**\*Gospel Lesson** John 9:1-41 James Rand

One The word of God for the people of God.  
**All Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem** "Come be the Light" Mark Patterson  
 Children's Choir

**Children's Moment** "What Scouting Means to Me"  
 Jonathan King, Sophia Murphy, Nicholas King

Scout Sunday Prayer (Unison) Jennifer Robison  
**O God, your will is that all your children should grow into fullness of life.**  
**We lift to you the ministry of scouting.**  
**We offer you thanks for camping,**  
**to teach us that the world is our great home;**  
**for study and work, to build character;**  
**for service, to see our responsibility to those in need;**  
**for encouragement in genuine patriotism and vital faith.**  
**Bless the work of scouting, in this place and around the world,**  
**that, through its efforts, the young may, like our Lord,**  
**increase in wisdom and in stature, and in favor with you**  
**and all people. Amen.** (Mark Trotter, U.S.A., 20th CENT.)

**The Lord's Prayer**

**\*Passing the Peace of Christ**

**Sermon** "Something to Celebrate" Rev. Dennis Beedy

**Joys and Concerns** Rev. Cerna Castro Rand

**Pastoral Prayer** Rev. Dennis Beedy

**Invitation to Offering** Rev. Cerna Castro Rand

**Offertory** "This is Love" Beall/Schrader  
 Chancel Choir

**\*The Doxology** Hymnal 95

**Offertory Prayer** Rev. Cerna Castro Rand

**\*Hymn** "Close to Thee" Hymnal 407

**\*Benediction** Rev. Dennis Beedy

**Choral Response** "Amen" Fauré

**Postlude** "Angel's Song" Alan Gray

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**Media Technicians**

Will DiSessa & Nolan Deines

**Ushers**

Sue Wisthuff, Jeff Lemna, Kevin Mikan

**Greeters**

Scouts

**Children's Choir Members**

Taylor Kajmowicz, Chandler Koher, Hazel Murphy, Henry Murphy,  
 Sophia Murphy, Ella Pinnick, James Rand, Eliza Robison, Charlotte Simcoe