

📖 **LECTIONARY READINGS**

February 19th Last Sunday after the Epiphany 2 Kings 2:1-12, Psalm 50:1-6, 2 Corinthians 4:3-6, Mark 9:2-9

February 26th First Sunday in Lent Genesis 9:8-17, Psalm 25:1-10, 1 Peter 3:18-22, Mark 1:9-15

March 4th Second Sunday in Lent Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16; Psalm 22:23-31; Romans 4:13-25; Mark 8:31-38

March 11th Third Sunday in Lent Exodus 20:1-7; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25, John 2:13-22

THIS SUNDAY 2/19 – Be sure to get Your Copy of “*Cultivating Fruitfulness*” Devotional for Lenten Walk Together! Pick up *One per Household* at South Transept.

UMW PANCAKE SUPPER: will take place on “Shrove Tuesday” Feb. 21st, 6:00pm, the day before Ash Wednesday, in *Fellowship Hall*. Menu: fruit cup, pancakes & toppings, sausages, coffee/tea and dessert. Donation: \$5 per person. Men are welcome! *UMW Members – please notify your circle chairperson if you plan to join us.

✠ **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES February 22nd, 12:00 noon & 8:00pm.** Prepare to walk with the Lord by repenting & renewing your faith. Let us walk the Lenten Journey together and draw nearer to Christ our Lord, our Hope.

2011 ANNUAL REPORTS: All committees and ministries are asked to submit an annual report as soon as possible. If you have already done so for the *Charge Conference*, please submit your most updated report. Thank you.

🌀 **CONFIRMATION CORNER** 🌀

- **February 22nd Ash Wednesday. Lent begins.** Confirmands are encouraged to participate in all of the Lenten programs on the following Sundays beginning at 11:15am: 2/26, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25.
- **March 11th 12:45pm** Confirmands meeting with Pastor Yim - Library
- **March 18th 12:45pm** Visit to White’s Funeral Home

🌀 **SUNDAY LENTEN PROGRAM** 🌀

*** Five Sundays in LENT, Worship at 9:30am ONLY**

Sundays: February 26, March 4, 11, 18, 25

11:15 am: SINGSPARATION ♪

11:30 am: STUDY “FIVE PRACTICES OF FRUITFUL CONGREGATIONS” by Bishop Robert Schnase

(DVD, Discussion, Sharing)

- *Week 1 (2/26) - Radical Hospitality*
- *Week 2 (3/4) - Passionate Worship*
- *Week 3 (3/11) - Intentional Faith Development*
- *Week 4 (3/18) - Risk-Taking Mission & Service*
- *Week 5 (3/25) - Extravagant Generosity*

🌀 **BRUNCH REFRESHMENTS**

& ***CHILDREN & YOUTH PROGRAMS*** 🌀

✠ **PALM SUNDAY** April 1st at **9:30 AM** and **11:30 AM**

(*Return to Regular Sunday Schedule of Two Services on 4/1/12)

✠ **MAUNDY THURSDAY** April 5th at **8 PM**

✠ **GOOD FRIDAY** April 6th at **12 Noon** and **8 PM**

✠ **EASTER SUNDAY** April 8th at **9:30AM & 11:30AM**

ALL ARE WELCOME! BRING FAMILY & FRIENDS!

PRAYER for the LENTEN SEASON

Gracious God, You take delight in those who trust in You and choose to work in response to the prayers of Your people. We praise You for the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ through whom we have life, joy and peace.

Lord, we pray for our Lenten Journey that You will bless & use this opportunity to strengthen our walk with Christ and discover new dimensions of faith, hope and love that we may live to do Your will. Grant that we may experience afresh renewal and growth in our faith and in our church. We pray in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

LENTEN COIN FOLDERS: are available in the So. Transept.

****TIME CHANGE**** for **WEDNESDAY PRAYER** during **LENT TO Early Morning** at **6:30 AM- 7:30 AM** – Church will be *OPEN for prayer*. Up early? Start the day with the Lord in prayer. Before rushing to work, stop in to seek God’s grace & power for the day. **Come in** for *any length* of time in that hour – to pray, read, meditate, sing.

J. C. CAFÉ TALENT NIGHT: Sat. March 31st, 7:00pm.

Sign-up sheet is in *Fellowship Hall*. This is an opportunity to share our God-given gifts & talents and enjoy a family night of fellowship together. Please sign up early as it makes coordinating this event easier. Deadline for sign-up is 3/25. Any questions, see *Pat DiMassi*.

TELEPHONE CHAIN: We are in the process of *UPDATING* our Church phone chain. If you wish to have your name included, please call the *Church Office*.

ALTAR FLOWER REQUESTS: If you wish to honor or remember someone/special occasion by placing Altar flowers, you can place a request by filling a form available in the So. Transept or call the Church Office (*please specify on the form if you are ordering fresh flowers @\$30 or dedicating silk flowers @\$20*).

✠ **PLEDGE CARDS:** If you have not had a chance to express your financial support for the church by submitting your 2012 pledge card, you can still do so. Let’s partner together to serve God’s purpose. You may drop it in the offering plate or mail it to the Church Office. *Pledge cards* are available at the Office and the South Transept.

IN NEED OF PRAYERS: Sara Pepkin, Karen Gierie Newman, Judi Ortiz, Elizabeth Jensen, Joseph Varghese, Manny & Peggy Lopez, Dorothy Riethimer, Carol Baldwin, Emily Brown, Laura Ohler, Muriel Knoell, Kyli Abbinanti, Fred Uythoven, Ruth Mace, those affected by Hurricane Irene, ALL our troops seeking to restore peace. **If you know of someone in the hospital, or someone who wishes a pastoral visit, please call the Church Office.*

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 19TH

Sun.	9:30am	Family Friendly Worship
	11:30am	Praise Service
	1:00pm	Soup Group - F. Hall
Mon.	OFFICE CLOSED - <i>President's Day</i>	
	3:00pm	Prayer Group @ <i>Rose Marie's</i>
	7:00pm	Stewardship Mtg. - Library
	7:00pm	Paisley Circle
Tues.	12:00pm	Gold Circle
	6:00pm	UMW Pancake Supper - F. Hall
	7:15pm	A.A. - Bike Room
	7:30pm	Book Discussion @ <i>Barbara Gray's</i>
Wed.	12:00 & 8:00pm Ash Wednesday Services	
	5:00pm	Weight Watchers - F. Hall
	7:00pm	P&G Choir
Thurs.	7:00pm	Bell Choir
	8:00pm	Chancel Choir
Fri.	<i>Walk to Emmaus Women's Alumna Retreat</i> 2/24-26	
	5:30pm	A.A. - F. Hall
Sat.	8:30am	Tai Chi

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 26TH

Sun	9:15am	♪ HYMN SING ♪
	9:30am	Family Friendly Worship-Communion
	11:15am	LENTEN PROGRAM
	1:00pm	Soup Group - F. Hall
Mon.	3:00pm	Prayer Group @ <i>Rose Marie's</i>
	7:0pm	Administrative Council - F. Hall
Tues.	7:15pm	A.A. - Bike Room
	7:30pm	Finance - Library
Wed. NEW!	6:30 am	LENTEN EARLY MORNING PRAYER
	10:30am	Bible Study - Library
	5:00pm	Weight Watchers - F. Hall
	7:00pm	P&G Choir
Thurs.	7:00pm	Bell Choir
	8:00pm	Chancel Choir
Fri.	5:30pm	A.A. - F. Hall
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