

## Prayers of the People

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Libby ☯ Bill Drum, Mark Arney, Melanie Lambert

To share confidential or community prayer, please make a note on the Connection Card in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate. You may also use the Connection Card to indicate your desire to receive the Myers Prayer Chain.

You are Invited to a Wedding Shower in honor of Ms. Lauren Bumgardner and Mr. AJ Current next Sunday, March 11 from 2 to 4 pm in the Church Parlor.

**Myers' Got Talent!** We want YOU to share your talents on March 11 at 6p in the CFC! Are you a Dancer? Singer? Musician? Actor? Baker? Yes, even baker as the competition includes a dessert bake off! We'll all enjoy the many talents of Myers Memorial while raising funds for the Resource Connection Gateway. Gateway provides a single connection point to resources to address crisis and long term situations of our community. So if you've got Talent you'd like to share, please make note of it on today's Connection Card or speak with Tresca before March 7.

BSA Gathering Garden Dedication ~ The Boy Scouts of America Troop 21 invites you to the Gathering Garden Dedication on Sunday, March 11, 12:30p to 3p. A hot dog lunch & refreshments will be available for a donation and all proceeds will go to further fund The Garden. Enjoy the beauty of the space with music by The White Water Bluegrass Band. Sponsored by Troop 21 Eagle Scout Timmy Robinette and Life Scout Thomas Jolley.

Myers 60+ Fellowship ~ Thursday, March 15 ~ A Local trip through history with a guided tour of the Kessell History Center at Loray Mill followed by lunch at Growler USA. If you would like to carpool or the ride the church bus, please plan to leave the church at 11:25 am. Please make your reservation to join us by Tuesday, March 13.

Lenten Sacrifice: A Gift for the Journey Typically during Lent, folks give up some activity or vice and take on a practice that helps them draw nearer to God. This year, during Lent, the finance committee, along with Pastor Sally, ask you to consider giving up that extra cup of Starbucks or drive thru meal and contributing that money to the church. Maybe you take on the practice of making a consistent financial gift or take on the practice of true tithing, giving 10% of your income during Lent. Online giving information can be found at [www.MyersMemorialUMC.org](http://www.MyersMemorialUMC.org). During Lent, you are invited to leave a gift at the altar at the conclusion of worship each week.

# A Season of Letting Go

# Lent 2018

3/11 Letting Go: Control Matthew 6: 25-34

3/18 Letting Go: Greed Matthew 19: 16-22

3/25 Letting Go: Indifference Proverbs 24: 30-34 Palm Sunday

3/28 Lenten Prayer Stations 6:15p, Sanctuary Building

## This Week at Myers Memorial UMC

### Sunday, March 4 ~ Communion Sunday

8a UMM/UMW Breakfast, CFC

9a Trinity Ringers, Music Suite

9a Health Screenings, CFC

9a Focus Prayer Group, Tower

9:30a Coffee Fellowship, CFC

9:45a Sunday School for all Ages

10:50a Worship, Sanctuary

5:30p Sunday Night Live

Disciple 1 Fast Track, E-105

Children's Worship Arts

Youth Main Event

7p SoulFire, Music Suite

### Monday, March 5

6:30p Disciple II Fast Track, Asbury

6p Cub Scouts, Downstairs

6:30p Boy Scouts, Scout Hut

### Tuesday, March 6

10a Grief Share, Parlor

11a AI-Anon, Asbury

6p Girl Scouts, First Floor

6:30p Disciple IV, E-105

6:30p Chancel Bells

### Wednesday, March 7

9:15a Women's Bible Study, Asbury

11a Warlick Mentoring

5:15p Connect | Eat, CFC

5:45p Connect | Gather

Nursery, Children, Youth, Young

Adults, Adults

### Wednesday, March 8 *continued*

6p Knit for Christ, Parlor

6:15p Connect | Worship, Sanctuary

6:45p Youth CORE, Youth Lounge

7p Chancel Choir, Music Suite

### Thursday, March 8

12p UMW Joy Circle

6p Witness Committee, Asbury

6p Men's Basketball, CFC

6p Aldersgate Ringers, Music Suite

8p Narcotics Anonymous, Downstairs

### Friday, March 9

Weekday Preschool Closed

7:15a Prayer & Devotion, Parlor

7p Youth Senior Lock In Departs

### Saturday, March 10

9a VBS Training, University City UMC

1p Youth Senior Lock In Returns

### Sunday, March 11 ~ Girl Scout Sunday

#### Second Sunday Sing

9a Trinity Ringers, Music Suite

9a Focus Prayer Group, Tower

9:30a Coffee Fellowship, CFC

9:45a Sunday School for all Ages

10:50a Worship, Sanctuary

12:30p Gathering Garden Dedication

1p Bumgardner/Current Shower,

Parlor

4:30p Talent Show Sound Check

6p Myers' Got Talent Show, CFC

### Sunday Servants

**Head Usher:** Ken Avery

**Crucifer:** CJ Carpenter

**Scripture Reader:** Hallie Walker

**Acolytes:** Adam Anderson ☯ Andrew Walker

**Nursery:** Allison Buchanan, Elizabeth Lanier, Jennifer Gross, Lauren Snyder

**March Coffee Time Hosts:** Young Adult Class

### A Record of Our Faithfulness

Sunday, February 25, 2018

Sunday School: 137 Worship: 331

Online Worship: 21

Offering Received last Sunday: \$20,148

Wednesday February 29, 2018

Connect Worship: 35

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# Myers Memorial United Methodist Church



## Welcome to Myers Memorial United Methodist Church

**Our vision is to be Christ Inspired...People Centered...Service Driven.**

We hope you are moved by the Spirit to love one another as Christ loves us! In this bulletin you will find a Connection Card that can be used to share information with the pastor and church office. You can also use it to express interest in events, activities, ministries, reserve your spot for Wednesday Connect Meals, share prayer concerns or comments. Please use it to note your attendance in worship today and return it during the offering as a way of offering yourself to God this week.

Additionally, if you have any prayer concerns or celebrations that you would like shared during worship, please write clearly on the prayer card found in the pew and bring it to the railing at the front of the Sanctuary during the first hymn.

Children are always welcome in this place! There are 'busy bags' at each entrance to the sanctuary for children to use and return. There is also age appropriate nursery care for infants, toddlers and preschoolers should they wish to play. All children are invited to participate in worship and the older Nursery children will join us for the Children's Message. Please ask any member or usher to guide you to the Nursery area.

Should you need a restroom, the closest is just outside the rear of the sanctuary, women's room is to the right as you exit and the men's room to the left. A changing table is located just inside both men and women's restrooms.

*Please recycle this bulletin by taking it with you and use the information throughout the week or by placing it in the blue recycle bins located outside the Sanctuary.*

# Order of Worship

Gathering for Worship

## Parish Notices

When you see the asterisks [\*], please stand as you are able.

Bold print is used for congregational responses.

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal, the navy hardbound book in the pew

TFWS = The Faith We Sing, the black softback songbook in the pew

WS = Worship @ Song, the green softback songbook in the pew.

Welcome ☺ Announcements

## \* Passing the Peace of Christ

Offer signs of greeting in the name of Jesus to those seated around you.

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude *Schonster Herr Jesu* Jordan

## \* Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**People: He does not deal with us according to our sins.**

Leader: What shall I render to the Lord for all his bounty to me?

**People: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.**

\* Opening Hymn *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* UMH #384

\* Affirmation of Faith The Apostle's Creed UMH #881

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead and buried;  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,**

**and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.**

\* Gloria Patri UMH #71

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

Children's Time Pastor Sally

Scripture Lesson James 1:19-21 Hallie Walker

New Testament, page 229

Leader: The Word of God for us, the People of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* arr. Martin

Chancel Choir

*When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of Glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ my God, All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood. See from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down, Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown? Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all! Amen!*

Scripture Lesson John 2:13-22 New Testament, page 93

Leader: The Word of God for us, the People of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Letting Go: Anger Rev. Sally Queen

\* Hymn *Spirit Song* UMH #347

Offering

Offertory *Praise, My Soul the King of Heaven* Robert Hobby

\* Doxology *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;* in unison

*Praise him all creatures here below;  
Praise him above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving

Holy Communion Rev. Sally Queen

Today we celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion. This is our family meal. All are invited to come forward and receive a piece of bread and then dip the bread into the cup of grape juice. A gluten free station is available at the center right station. The Table is open to all who wish to partake.

The Great Thanksgiving UMH #13

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing...

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ...

...as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here...

...all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer UMH #895

**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. Amen.**

Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup

Assisting with Communion: Connie Elzey, Bill @ Suzanne Newell, Brent @ Shelly Alman, Danny @ Paula Lawrence, Tresca McSwain

\* Hymn *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy* UMH #340

*During the Closing Hymn, you are invited to the altar for prayer and to leave a financial gift for the journey.*

\* Benediction

\* Response *Christ, we do all adore Thee* DuBois

Chancel Choir

*Christ, we do all adore Thee, and we do praise Thee forever. For on the holy cross Thou hast the world from sin redeemed. Christ, we do all adore Thee, and we do praise Thee forever. Christ, we do all adore Thee.*

\* Chimes of the Trinity

\* Postlude *Love Divine, All Love Excelling* Mitchell-Wallace



## The Flowers in the Sanctuary

are given to the Glory of God in celebration of  
Ed @ Judy Fritzsche's 39th Wedding Anniversary

## Announcements

On the Hunt for Easter Candy! The Children's Council is hosting the annual Easter Egg Lunch & Hunt on Sunday, March 25. Donations of Candy would be greatly appreciated to sweeten this event! Please donate candy in the designated container in the hallway leading from the Sanctuary to the Education building (the ramp hallway). We all love chocolate but we recognize some kids that have allergies so please remember to bring non-chocolate/non-peanut items as well.