

March 7, 2019



# CLINTON

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## Coming Up!

Saturday, March 9th

8:30 am—Outreach trip to tiny houses

Change clocks back 1 hour!

Sunday, March 10th

UMW No Bake Bake Sale

8:15—Early Worship

9:00—Fellowship Time

9:30—Confirmation

9:30—Sunday School

4:00—Witness

Monday, March 11th

5:00—Ukuleles

5:15—Pickleball/Ping Pong

5:15—Learner Bells

6:00—Bells

6:00—Nominations Meeting

7:00—Guitars

Tuesday, March 12th

8:30—Pickleball & Ping Pong

6:00—Staff Parish Meeting

Wednesday, March 13th

Noon—Lenten Service

3:00—Middle School UMYF

3:30—Angelus Choir

5:00—High School UMYF

6:00—Finance Meeting

7:00—Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 14th

8:30—Pickleball & Ping Pong

6:00—Trustees Meeting

Friday, March 15th

11:00 Stitch & Chat

## Brad's Message

Sunday will be the first Sunday of Lent. Lent is a season of spiritual preparation for the coming of Holy Week and Easter. This year our message theme for Lent will be "*The Power of the Cross*," as we explore the meaning of Jesus' loving sacrifice on the cross of Calvary.

As a new part of our season of Lent this year, we will have Lenten Yard Crosses available for you to place in your yard as a reminder to you and as a witness to our community of the saving love of Jesus. The yard crosses will be available just outside the sanctuary beginning this Sunday.

I look forward to sharing the journey through Lent together. I trust that it will be a very special time to open our hearts to God's grace and to center our lives in Christ's love!

## Daily Bible Reading and Prayer

**Sunday**

Romans 5:6-8

Give thanks that Jesus died for the forgiveness of our sins

**Monday**

Romans 3:23-26

Give thanks that Jesus accepts us and loves us just as we are

**Tuesday**

Psalm 103:8-13

Give thanks that God doesn't treat us as our sins deserve

**Wednesday**

1 John 1:5-10

Confess your sins to God

**Thursday**

Psalm 51:1-2,11-12

Ask God to cleanse your heart of sin

**Friday**

Matthew 9:9-13

Give thanks that Jesus came to call sinners

**Saturday**

Luke 15:11-32

Pray for those who have strayed from God



### This Sunday

#### Gathering Music:

8:15—Brenda Ford

10:30— Janice Santero

#### 8:15 Song Leader:

Gary Dubina

#### 8:15 Ushers:

Jim & Sandi Cox

#### 8:15 Greeters:

McAllisters & Cables

#### 8:15 Acolytes:

Ethan Johns &

Isaac Duncan

#### Continental Breakfast:

Tom & Linda Wilson

#### 10:30 Greeters:

Dawsons & Austins

#### Children's Time:

Andy Ford

#### Bus Driver:

Travis Smith



### Day Light Saving Time!

This weekend is when we get to change

our clocks ahead one hour (and lose an hour of sleep!)! Don't forget to change it before you go to bed Saturday night!

### Scholarships!

It's scholarship time! The Clinton United Methodist

Church will be

offering twelve—one thousand dollar scholarships to church members who are continuing their education. 2019 High graduates and those students already in a post high school program may apply.

Applications are available now and can be picked up in the church office or call the office to have them emailed to you.

They are due April 16th with two recommendations.



### Lawn Crosses

Lent is a season that draws our hearts and minds to the cross of Jesus. This year to deepen our focus on the

power of the cross, we will have Lenten Lawn Crosses that you can put in your yard in observance of Lent. Each cross will come with three cloths to be draped over it – a purple cloth, a black cloth and a white cloth. The purple cloth will be used through Lent until Good Friday. The black cloth will be used on Good Friday and Holy Saturday. The white cloth will be used beginning on Easter Sunday. The Lawn Crosses will be available just outside the sanctuary beginning on Sunday morning. There is no charge for a cross, but donations will be received to cover the cost of the materials. Any extra funds received will go to the youth mission trips.

### Prayers are needed for:

Jill Bernard, Betsy Owens, Matt Palmer, Charlsie Shoemaker, Ted Bolich, Wilbur Slocum, Maxine Evans, Ben Doup, Ryan Bitler, Virginia Wood, Danny Miles, Karen Partridge, Nancy Pavlik, Ford & Daniel Inbody, Jeremy Thomas, Earlene Hull, Jim Bilbruck, Jarrod Boyles, Donny Burton, Tom Ross, Caroline Wilson, Melvin Dennis, Arnie Drendel, Vickie Sims, Sharlene Wirsig, Norma Grimsley, Jean Ann Sidwell, Chastity Gillen, Margie Best, Rick Wolf, Mike Lester, Rosie Banfield



## Meeting with Bishop Farr

Bishop Farr will host a meeting for the Heartland District regarding the decisions of General Conference on Saturday, March 16, at 10 am at Christ UMC in Independence. Anyone interested in the decisions of General Conference is invited to attend this session.



## Upper Room

Do have our new March-April Upper Room? If not, stop by the Green Room during the week or on Sunday to pick one up!

## Pot Luck

Time for a Potluck Lunch! Everyone is invited! 11:30 am on Sunday, March 31st after church. Bring a dish to share and join us for a time of fellowship and food!



## Don't Forget to Sign Up for Summer Camp!

Lots of fun choices at several camps—Camp Galilee, Camp Wilderness and other conference camps.



Sign up for Church Camp!

Camps for ages elementary through high school are available. It's time for games, God and good friends, with swimming, hiking and crafts! Themed camps for horses, theatre and more! See Jennifer for more information.

## Mark Your Calendars!

coming soon!

Looking ahead on the calendar, these are some dates you might want to jot down,

Lent services will continue at noon on Wednesdays.

**April 18**—Maundy Thursday

**April 19th**—Good Friday

**April 21st**—Easter with Youth Pancake Breakfast and Children's Easter Egg Hunt

**April 28th**—Angelus Choir Spring Program at 10:30

June 17-21—Vacation Bible School

July 22-27—Missoula Children's Theatre

