



# Pinelands United Methodist Church

Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!

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Ash Wednesday

February 14, 2024

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## Opening Meditation

### ❖ Call to Worship

**All: Have mercy on me, oh God.**

*Leader: According to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.*

**All: Have mercy on me, O God**

*Leader: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge.*

**All: Have mercy on me, O God**

*Leader: Surely I was sinful at birth, yet you desired faithfulness even in the womb; you taught me wisdom in that secret place.*

**All: Have mercy on me, O God**

*Leader: Cleanse me with hyssop and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity.*

**All: Have mercy on me, O God**

*Leader: Create in me a pure heart and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of salvation and grant me a willing spirit to sustain me.*

**All: Have mercy on me, O God**

*Leader: I will teach transgressors your ways, so that sinners will turn back to you. Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God, you are my Savior, and my tongue will sing of your righteousness.*

**All: Have mercy on me, O God**

*Leader: Open my lips, Lord, and my mouth will declare your praise. You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.*

**All: Have mercy on me, O God. My sacrifice is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart you will not despise.**

Gathering Hymn ..... #354 "I Surrender All"

**1st Scripture Reading** **Joel 2:12-13**

**2nd Scripture Reading** **Job 42:5-6**

**3rd Scripture Reading** **Genesis 3:19**

Hymn ..... #399 "Take my Life and let it be"

**New Testament Reading** **Matthew 4:1-11**

Sermon **Ashes and Hearts**

Communion Liturgy  
*The Great Thanksgiving* ..... page 13  
*The Lord's Prayer* ..... #895

Prayer over the Ashes

Receive communion and Ashes

Quit meditation

❖ Closing Hymn ..... #378 "Amazing Grace"





## KEEP THEM IN PRAYER

Kathy Simpkins  
 Barbara Kurowski  
 Linda Hirst  
 Linda Green  
 Dave Dixon  
 Marge Clifton  
 Tom Rheault  
 Anna Walker  
 Denny & Joy O'Shaughnessy  
 Jerry  
 Sandra Allebach  
 Brian Plasket  
 Robin Green  
 Paul Cowan  
 Stephen Lister  
 Ciara McCarthy Burke  
 Kaitlin DeLucca (US Air Force)  
 Tiernan James (US Coast Guard)  
 Max Lister (US Army)

Frances Ernwood  
 Wilma Brown  
 Mary Jo Sheridan  
 Sean Plasket  
 McCartney Family  
 Barbara Ford  
 Margie Cochran  
 David & Emily Elkin  
 Denise  
 Larry Acker  
 Evelyn Roland  
 John Allebach Sr  
 Nicholas Cellini  
 Deneen Wyld  
 Melodee Ashby  
 Courtney Warner  
 Billy Cheatham (US Marines)  
 Riley James (US Marines)  
 Robert S.  
 Little Jack



# CHURCH NEWS

FEBRUARY 14, 2024



### FISHING CLUB MEETS

The next meeting of the Pinelands Fishing Club will be on **March 13, 2024**. All are welcome to attend.



### UWF PANCAKE BREAKFAST

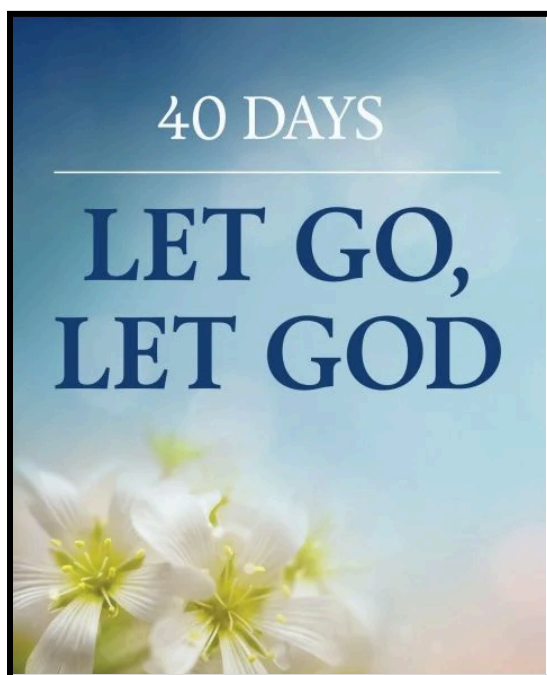
On **Saturday, March 2nd** join the United Women in Faith as they host and prepare the first pancake breakfast of the NEW year in our Nesco Church Building. Adults \$10 / Children \$5 from 8:00 am - 11:00 am come enjoy pancakes, bacon, sausage, biscuits w/ gravy, orange juice, coffee and meet some neighbors too!





### FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

The food pantry is actively receiving donations of food to be distributed to families throughout the community. If you wish to make a donation of food please speak with Kathy Wooton or Gayle Brill for specific needs. Thank you for supporting such an important ministry as inflation continues to rise.



### JOURNEY THROUGH LENT WITH PINELANDS UMC

February 14	<b>Ash Wednesday Ashes &amp; Hearts</b>	9:00 am - 10:00 am 7:00 pm	Batsto Green Bank
February 18	<b>The Broken Cup</b>	9:00 am 10:30 am	Batsto Green Bank
February 21	<b>Prayer</b> <i>(soup &amp; salad)</i>	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Atco UMC
February 25	<b>The Cup of Living Water</b>	9:00 am 10:30 am	Batsto Green Bank
February 28	<b>Fasting</b> <i>(soup &amp; salad)</i>	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Atco UMC
March 3	<b>The Cup You Choose</b>	9:00 am 10:30 am	Batsto Green Bank
March 6	<b>Service</b> <i>(soup &amp; salad)</i>	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Atco UMC
March 10	<b>The Cup of Discipleship</b>	9:00 am 10:30 am	Batsto Green Bank
March 13	<b>Study</b> <i>(soup &amp; salad)</i>	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Atco UMC
March 17	<b>The Cup of Compassion</b>	9:00 am 10:30 am	Batsto Green Bank
March 20	<b>Worship</b> <i>(soup &amp; salad)</i>	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Atco UMC
March 24	<b>Palm Sunday From Empty to Overflowing</b>	9:00 am 10:30 am	Batsto Green Bank
March 27	<b>Celebration</b> <i>(soup &amp; salad)</i>	6:30 am - 8:30 am	Atco UMC
March 28	<b>Holy Thursday</b>	7:00 pm	Batsto
March 29	<b>Good Friday</b>	Noon	Tansboro Trinity UMC
March 31	<b>Easter Sunday The Cup that Never Runs Dry</b>	6:30 am Sunrise 9:00 am 10:30 am	Batsto Batsto Green Bank

# Practicing The Practices

## Lenten, Soup, Salad and Study

Every Wednesday night during lent.

A light dinner of soup salad and bread followed by a time of Worship and Bible Study with

**Pastor Danny Clark**

**6:30pm-8:30pm**

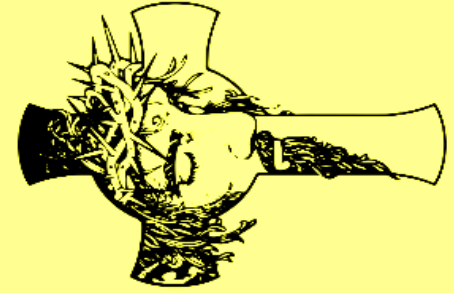
Bring a Soup or Salad to share.

Bread and Drinks will be provided.

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| February 21 <sup>st</sup> | Prayer      |
| February 28 <sup>th</sup> | Fasting     |
| March 6 <sup>th</sup>     | Service     |
| March 13 <sup>th</sup>    | Study       |
| March 20 <sup>th</sup>    | Worship     |
| March 27 <sup>th</sup>    | Celebration |

# Practicing the Practices

Prayer-Fasting-Service-Study-Worship-Celebration



Lenten Dinner and Study  
Wednesdays in Lent

Atco UMC  
6:30-8:30pm

