



Pinelands United Methodist Church

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

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Second Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2024

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

❖ Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus, quench our soul's thirst! Give us Living Water!

People: We open our eyes to see the unlikely people who give us Living Water.

Leader: We open our ears to hear the testimonies from unlikely people who give us Living Water.

People: Jesus, we open our hearts today to receive your Spirit and Truth from unlikely people and in unlikely places. Jesus, ready us every day to carry our testimonies of what you've done for us to others whose souls need to be quenched by you.

Gathering Hymn

#400 "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"



Opening Prayer

Loving God, we bless your name forever. You have looked deep into our hearts, and you know all about us and still, you love us. Today, we surrender all aspects of our lives to you, even our shame, weaknesses, and doubts. Lord, fill us with your Spirit. Help us to receive, hold, and to share your gift of living water with a thirsty world. Amen.

1st Scripture Reading

Zechariah 14: 6-9

❖ Hymn of Preparation

#420 "Breathe on me, Breath of God"

2nd Scripture Reading

John 4: 7-29, 39

Sermon

The Cup of Living Water

Joys and Concerns

The Lord's Prayer

Offering God's Tithes and Our Gifts

❖ Doxology #95

❖ Closing Hymn #133 "What a Fellowship"

❖ Benediction

God bless you and not let you out of his sight.
 God keep and protect you by day and by night.
 Let love, understanding be yours evermore.
 God's grace be with you forever more.



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 25, 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

Next **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!



2024 WOMEN'S RETREAT

If you are interested in attending the women's retreat in Lancaster from **September 27th through September 29th** please speak with Margie. The first payment is due on March 1st. \$276.00 per person (4 women per room). Includes most meals.



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.



SPRING FORWARD



Don't be late to CHURCH. This is your friendly reminder to **SPRING AHEAD SUNDAY, March 10th at 2:00 am.** Daylight savings time begins and runs through November. This would be a great time to change the batteries in your smoke detectors!

PALM SUNDAY

Sunday, March 24th, one week before Easter, join us as we commemorate Jesus' triumphal arrival into Jerusalem. We will celebrate with the blessing and distribution of palm branches. You will be able to join us at Batsto 9:00 am or Green Bank 10:30 am. Please be sure to take an extra palm or two for a loved one that was unable to join us.



JOURNEY THROUGH LENT WITH PINELANDS UMC

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

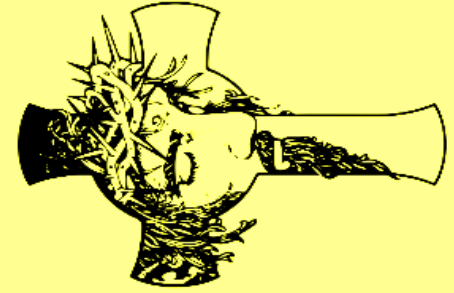
Bring a Soup or Salad to share.

Bread and Drinks will be provided.

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

Practicing the Practices

Prayer-Fasting-Service-Study-Worship-Celebration



Lenten Dinner and Study
Wednesdays in Lent

Atco UMC
6:30-8:30pm

