



Pinelands United Methodist Church

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

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Third Sunday in Lent

March 3, 2024

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

❖ Call to Worship

Leader: God, we choose you! Our hearts are glad! Our whole bodies shout for joy and rest in you.

People: God, we choose you when good things are happening and joy can easily be found.

Leader: We choose you when our thoughts trouble us and we can't find sleep.

People: God, you are our cup of blessing and you hold our futures.

Leader: We bless you because you are our Counselor, Guide, and the One who secures us.

People: God, we choose you! Our hearts are glad! Our whole bodies shout for joy and rest in you.

Gathering Hymn #114 "Many Gifts, One Spirit"



Opening Prayer

Almighty God, we praise your holy name. You have chosen us as your people and in return we love you and it is our desire to know you more. Give us a thirst for you and may we choose nothing less than to become just like Jesus. In the wonderful and powerful name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

1st Scripture Reading

Joshua 24: 11-18

❖ Hymn of Preparation

#399 "Take My Life, and Let It Be"

2nd Scripture Reading

Psalms 16

Sermon

The Cup You Choose

Joys and Concerns

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Liturgy

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Offering God's Tithes and Our Gifts

❖ Doxology #95

❖ Closing Hymn #519 "Lift Every Voice and Sing"

❖ 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

March 3, 2024



SPRING FORWARD



Don't be late to CHURCH. This is your friendly reminder to **SPRING AHEAD** next **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!



FISHING CLUB MEETS

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



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.



EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES



Please plan to join us for one of our Easter Worship Opportunities on Sunday, March 31st. We will gather at our Batsto Church location near the three crosses for an **Easter Sunrise Service at 6:00 am**. Family worship in our **Batsto Church Building will begin at 9:00 am** followed by another family worship in our **Green Bank Church Building at 10:30 am**.



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.



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

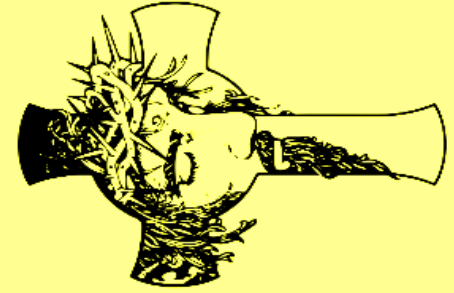
Bring a Soup or Salad to share.

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

