



# Pinelands United Methodist Church

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

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

## ❖ Call to Worship

*Leader: What can we ever say to such wonderful things as these?*

**People: If God is on our side, who can ever be against us?**

*Leader: Since He did not spare even His own Son for us but gave Him up for us all, won't He also surely give us everything else? Who dares accuse us who God has chosen for His own? Will God?*

**People: No! He is the one who has forgiven us and given us right standing with Himself.**

*Leader: Who then will condemn us? Will Christ?*

**People: No! For He is the one who died for us and came back to life again for us and is sitting at a place of highest honor next to God, pleading for us there in Heaven.**

Gathering Hymn .... #301 "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"



## Opening Prayer

When your mind gropes for answers to the questions that you face, take His peace. When your past comes back to haunt you and you need amazing grace, take His peace. There's an answer beyond question, it's the truth for which you yearn: there's forgiveness without merit, there's a love you needn't earn, take His peace, take His peace. Amen.

1st Scripture Reading

Luke 24:13-35

## ❖ Hymn of Preparation

#306 "The Strife is O'er the Battle Done"

2nd Scripture Reading

Psalm 43

Sermon

Welcome Guest Speaker, Gary Brill

Joys and Concerns

The Lord's Prayer

Offering God's Tithes and Our Gifts

❖ Doxology ..... #95

❖ Closing Hymn .. #312 "Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise"

## ❖ 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)  
 Kathy Clark  
 Kay McIntyre

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



# CHURCH NEWS

April 7, 2024



## Our Savior is Risen!



**ACUA ROAD CLEAN UP ~ APRIL 7**  
 Please join us **today** for an ACUA Road Clean up at **10:30 am**. We will gather at our **Nesco Church Building** right after worship. Many hands make light work!

### **UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH MEET**

The United Women in Faith will hold their monthly meeting tomorrow, **Monday, April 8th** at 10:00 am in our **Carolyn Stewart Fellowship Hall** located in our **Nesco Church Building**. Many items are on the agenda to discuss. Bring a friend and join this awesome group!





### PINELANDS UMC FISHING CLUB

The Pinelands Fishing Crew meets on **May 1st** for their monthly meeting at the Bridel House. Everyone is welcome to attend! They will gather at 7:00 pm.

### ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETS

On **April 17th** the Administrative Council will meet. Everyone is welcome to Come. We will meet in our Nesco Church Building at 7:00 pm.



### **Church Council Meeting**

### PUMC FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY



Our food pantry ministry distributes food each **Monday** evening from **4:00 pm - 7:00 pm** at our **Nesco Church** location. We offer support to those in the community that may need some extra grace. Please consider volunteering your time or donating food to this ministry. You can speak with Gayle Brill or Kathy Wooton on weekly needs. This has become an important staple to many families in our community.

### Lent Word Search



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WEDNESDAY	RELIGION	EASTER	ASHES	CROSS
SACRIFICE	LITURGY	CHURCH	JESUS	PALMS
KINDNESS	FASTING	PURPLE	FORTY	LENT

