

# Pinelands United Methodist Church

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

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**First Sunday of Lent**

**March 9, 2025**

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## Welcome and Announcements

### ❖ Call to Worship

*Leader: Ashes have been smeared and sins have been confessed...*

**People: We follow our faithful Lord.**

*Leader: These times, they are troubling. This journey, it is hard...*

**People: We follow our faithful Lord.**

*Leader: It is God who sustains, not the temptations of this world...*

**People: We follow our faithful Lord.**

*Leader: In the Lord is our trust, our protection from harm...*

**People: We follow our faithful Lord.**

*Leader: Come, let us worship the One whom we serve...*

**People: We follow our faithful Lord.**

❖ Gathering Hymn ..... #98 "To God Be the Glory"



### Opening Prayer

Almighty and ever living God, you invite us deeper into your world, your people, your Lent. May this time be one of outward focus; seeking you in those we often ignore. Help us live a Lent focused on freedom, generosity, and encounter. Give us hearts hungry to serve you and those who need what we have to give. Amen

1st Scripture Reading ..... Psalm 42

2nd Scripture Reading ..... Matthew 6:16-18

❖ Hymn of Preparation ..... #347 "Spirit Song"

3rd Scripture Reading ..... Colossians 2:16-19

Sermon

Joys and Prayers of the People of God

The Lord's Prayer

Offering God's Tithes and Our Gifts

❖ Doxology ..... #95

❖ Closing Hymn ..... #369 "Blessed Assurance"

❖ 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

Pastor Danny Clark & Family  
Kathy Simpkins  
Barbara Kurowski  
Linda Hirst  
Linda Green  
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)  
Dave Dixon  
Little Jack  
Joanne Wunsch  
Brenda Malave  
John Mascio IV  
Bob Campbell

Frances Ernwood  
Wilma Brown  
Ed Rabush  
Sean Plasket  
McCartney Family  
John Mascio Jr.  
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)  
Jarrad Moscicki (US NAVY)  
Robert S.  
Carol Petitt  
Lorraine Roe  
Robyn & Kent Grohne  
Regina Bartolomeo



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## PINELANDS UM CHURCH SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

*(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)*

9:00 am ~ BATSTO CHURCH ~ 4200 Nesco Rd  
10:30 am ~ GREEN BANK CHURCH ~ 1081 River Rd

### FOOD PANTRY

4:00-7:00 pm ~ NESCO CHURCH ~ Mondays

### BIBLE STUDY

6:30 pm ~ NESCO CHURCH ~ Wednesdays

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS w/ PASTOR DANNY

Monday Evenings: By Appointment Only  
Wednesday Evenings: By Appointment Only  
Tuesday & Thursday: 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

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### UPCOMING CAPE / ATLANTIC DISTRICT EVENTS

Gather for conversation, prayer, anointing, and communion

**HEALING SERVICE** - March 8, 2025 - 2:00 pm - Seaville  
3100 N Route 9, Ocean View, NJ 08230

**HEALING SERVICE** - March 19, 2025 - 7:00 pm - First UM  
6011 Main St., Mays Landing, NJ 08330-1845

### CAPE ATLANTIC DISTRICT CONFERENCE

April 27th - 2:00 pm - St. Peter's UMC, Ocean City  
501 E 8th St Ocean City, NJ 08226

We will worship together, honor graduates of Lay Servant Training and Local Pastor's School, hear presentations in preparation for Annual Conference, present certificates to congregations that paid 100% Shared Ministries, and elect equalizing members to Annual Conference. Please come and be a part of this district celebration and to welcome the new District Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Derrick Doherty.



### PINELANDS UMC FISHING CLUB

Did you know Pinelands United Methodist Church as a **fishing club** that meets once a month at a local home. The fishing club is open to everyone and will meet next on **April 2nd**. Consider getting involved.



### JOURNEY TO THE CROSS

Palm Sunday- April 13th  
Holy Thursday - April 17th  
Good Friday - April 18th  
Silent Saturday - April 19th  
Easter Sunday - April 20th



### UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH MEET

The **United Women in Faith** will have their monthly meeting on **March 10th** in the **Nesco Church Building** at **11:00 am**. They plan to gather in the **Carolyn Stewart Fellowship Hall**. Plan to join us and bring a friend along.

