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New Market United Methodist Methodist Messenger

**FEBRUARY
2021**

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Dear Friends,

Ash Wednesday this year occurs on February 17th. With it begins the season of Lent, which leads us eventually to Good Friday and Easter Sunday. We will, as usual, hold an Ash Wednesday service that evening to begin our Lent with a reflection upon our human frailty and need for salvation.

I recall, attending another small church much like our own as a teenager, that Ash Wednesday was not recognized at all. The fact is, although the practice of holding Ash Wednesday services goes back to the 10th century, many Protestant churches, and especially most Methodist churches, ignored this holy day until only in recent decades.

Even John Wesley himself appears to downplay Ash Wednesday and Lent itself. In a prayer book he created for American Methodists, he left them out entirely with the terse explanation that they were, "at present answering no valuable end." Some believe today that his reason for omitting them was the fact that Methodism, as it existed then, already placed so much emphasis on regular fasting, prayer, and confession that it was unnecessary to set apart particular days for these practices. However, Wesley's own very anti-Catholic bias probably colored his decision, too. It certainly did so for generations of later Methodists as well, who saw Ash Wednesday and Lent as "Catholic" practices.

However, the mid-20th century began to change this point of view. The 1965 Book of Worship introduced an "ashless" Ash Wednesday service, focused entirely on preaching, prayer, and scripture. It was only with the current, 1992 Book of Worship that an Ash Wednesday service with imposition of Ashes was added to official United Methodist practice.

Whether you have been used to Ash Wednesday or not, I encourage you to take part in our service on the 17th. Ash Wednesday is one of the most introspective and spiritual moments of our church year, and reminds us that we are dust, and to dust we shall return.



Blessings,

Pastor Bill

Pastor's Office Hours:

Thursday, February 11th & 25th
from 6:30-8:30PM or by appointment

JANUARY CHURCH MEETINGS & EVENTS

HOLY COMMUNION - Sunday, February 7

UMW - Wednesday, February 6, 7:00PM

UMM - Wednesday, February 13, 6:00PM

AD COUNCIL - Wednesday, February 20, 7:00PM

FOOD FINDERS

We will be hosting a food finders food distribution **Monday, February 15** at 11:00 A.M. in the New Market Elementary School parking lot. Mark your calendars. Another location had cancelled their distribution and the organization needed a place.

FISH IN FEBRUARY

We got a little off schedule last year on our missions calendar so we are back on track for 2021. We will be collecting for **FISH in February**. There will be a fishbowl on the piano during the month for donations. The money is used for food and linens at this time. There are plans to set up a service to help people with budgeting, shopping wisely, taking responsibility, etc. Right now, the plans have been stalled, but hopefully will re-start this year. Thank you in advance for any donations.

SALVATION ARMY

Thank you to everyone who rang the bell for the Salvation Army on December 18. We collected \$814.90. The money will be used to help local families in emergency situations. Help could come in the form of food, rent, utilities, some prescriptions, and other emergency needs.

PRAYER REQUEST

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| •Judy Altizer | •Glenn Livesay |
| •Gary Austin | •Brad Long |
| •Susie Austin | •Payton Long |
| •Lois Ator | •Eladio Lopez |
| •Joy Bayless | •Mike Marcel |
| •Sam Bayless | •Patty Meadows |
| •Heather Billard | •Jan Minnick |
| •DeAnna Block | •Branden Monett |
| •Heidi Bonwell | •David Myers |
| •Marjorie Bowman | •Kim Oliphant |
| •Gloria Brand | •Judy & Kevin Payne |
| •Teresa Brook | •Cathy Pointer |
| •Mary Evelyn Bruin | •Richard Pruitt |
| •Judy & Byron Butler | •Dean Richmond family |
| •Nancy Hampton Campbell | •Nancy Sandlin |
| •Marci Conkright | •Norma Sillery |
| •Dan Cramer | •Mallory Stripling |
| •Patty Curry | •Melvin Sturgeon |
| •Kay DeBusk | •Talia |
| •Kennedy Ellis | •Billie Ann Thomas |
| •Eunice Farmer | •Jean Thomas |
| •Sylvia Green | •Denisa Timberman |
| •Rita Guffey | •Bill VanBebber |
| •Larry & Louise Hulse | •Dennis & Elaine Weir |
| •Seth Hutchison | •Larry Wiatt |
| •Glenellen King | •John & Karen Wilbur |
| •Donna Lideski | •Ramona Wilbur |
| •Steve Lidester | •Edna Williams |
| | •Covid Patients |

*Our deepest sympathy to
the families and friends of*

**Bob Peacock
Francis Nicolson
Ronnie Seaman
Joe Tolin**

**Be completely humble and gentle;
be patient, bearing with one another in love. Ephesians 4:2**

2020 OUTREACH SUMMARY Matthew 22:39..."Love your neighbor as yourself."

The Outreach/Missions committee provides the congregation with the opportunities to actively participate in mission activities on a local, state, national and international level. It educates the laity on missions. Included in this ministry category are Church World Service projects, local needs, and national and international projects sponsored by the United Methodist Church.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS:

Sponsored one blood drive which collected a total of 18 units (14 singles and 2 doubles) Some other people attempted to donate but were deferred. COVID canceled the other drives.

Collected monetary offerings for Habitat, FISH, Blanket/Tool Sunday

Delivered Amerigas coupons to New Market Elementary

Collected food, clothing, and linens for the FISH pantries throughout the year

Worked regularly at the local FISH clothing pantry

Represented our church at FISH board meetings

Encouraged monetary donations for Mental Health Christmas gifts Physical donations were banned due to COVID.

Coordinated the congregation's schedule to ring the Salvation Army bell one day \$814.90

Volunteered in different areas in the community (free clinic, schools, Christmas dinner in Crawfordsville, etc.)

Coordinated donating money to UMCOR

Sponsored four Food Finders food drives helping approximately 623 families Extra food was taken to women's shelters and local church food pantries. Local churches helped.

There are other mission projects that are not coordinated by the Outreach committee. Hopefully 2021 will restore/enhance our missions.

NEW MARKET UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Five women met in the home of Sue Foy January 6, 2021. President Foy opened the meeting at 7:00 P. M. reading from Blessings. People need to find gladness in tasks they need to do instead of dreading the jobs.

New Business: The programs for 2021 were completed.

Brooke Pike then conducted the pledge service using Matthew 25:35-36. The money that the local UMW donates throughout the year is combined with other offerings to help programs in the Philippines (saving women and young boys and girls from sex trafficking), in India (saving child brides), in China (teaching women job skills), in South America (helping women with prenatal care), in Texas (helping children with behavioral issues), in Alaska (assisting children of traumas), in Canada (establishing bilingual day cares). There are many other programs throughout the world. The women then formed a yarn web showing the connectivity and work done in our local area by our own church. All women working together can provide help for many groups and individuals. The group collected \$210 in pledges. Anyone wanting to add to the pledge may give her money to Sheila.

The meeting closed at 8:20 P. M. The next meeting is February 3, 2020, in fellowship hall. The program is the Call to Prayer and Self Denial. Any woman may join the group. All are welcomed.

By The Numbers Attendance & Giving Update

December 27

Sunday School Attendance: 17
Sunday School Offering: \$ 30.00
Worship Attendance: 32
Sunday Offering: \$ 452.00

January 10

Sunday School Attendance: 19
Sunday School Offering: \$ 25.00
Worship Attendance: 23
Sunday Offering: \$ 780.00

January 24

Sunday School Attendance: 17
Sunday School Offering: \$ 33.00
Worship Attendance: 23
Sunday Offering: \$ 977.00

January 3

Sunday School Attendance: 17
Sunday School Offering: \$ 33.00
Worship Attendance: 27
Sunday Offering: \$ 1,030.00

January 17

Sunday School Attendance: 19
Sunday School Offering: \$ 27.00
Worship Attendance: 30
Sunday Offering: \$ 612.06

What Is Love Word Search

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AFFECTION
BELIEVES
DEVOTION
ENDURES
FONDNESS

FRIENDSHIP
GOODWILL
HOPES
KINDNESS

LOVE
PERSEVERES
SWEETHEART
TRUSTS
UNFAILING



February 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Bill & Billie Ann Thomas Anniversary	3 UMW Meeting 7:00PM	4	5	6
7 Holy Communion	8	9	10 UMM Meeting 6:00PM	11 Pastor's Office Hours 6:30-8:30PM	12	13
14 Pitch-In Dinner	15 Food Finders 11:00AM Larry & Louise Hulse Anniversary	16	17 Ad Council Meeting 7:00PM Boone Welliever Birthday	18	19 Kelly Clifton Birthday	20
21	22 Newsletter Items Due	23	24	25 Pastor's Office Hours 6:30-8:30PM Gary & Janet Fruits Anniversary	26	27
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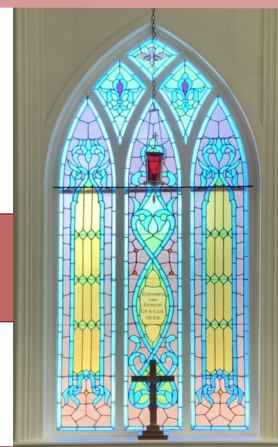
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Sunday School: 9:30 AM
Worship Gathering: 10:45 AM



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