

Third Sunday in Lent  
**March 4, 2018 8:30 am**

*“God is spirit, and His worshippers must worship in spirit and in truth” (John 4:24)*

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

\*Opening Songs           **“Love the Lord Your God”**           **TFWS 2168**  
  **“God the Sculptor of the Mountains”**       **TFWS 2060**

**Announcements**

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns**

Prayer Song                   **“Cry of My Heart” (v. 1)**                   **TFWS 2165**

\*Opening Prayer (in unison)

**“Lord, we come to You this day to worship and honor You and You alone. Open our ears and hearts to hear Your words of life and love. Prepare us to follow Your path of truth, justice, and peace. Amen.”**

**Pastoral Prayer**

Prayer Song                   **“Cry of My Heart” (v. 2)**                   **TFWS 2165**

\*Passing of the Peace

**Children’s Moment**

Prayer of Petition (in unison)

**“Holy God, we profess to live according to Your commandments, yet we fill our lives in ways that prevent us from doing so. Cleanse and reclaim our hearts, Lord, as You cleansed the Temple. Overturn the tables in our spirit and make each of us Your holy sanctuary. Amen.”**

**Hebrew Scripture**           **Exodus**           **20: 1-17**   Sam Guest  
**Gospel Lesson**               **John**               **2:13-22**

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**P: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

*\*Please rise either in posture or in spirit.*

**Message:**                                   **“Jesus in the Temple”**                                   Rev. Wayne Chung  
The first Commandment defines the right human relationship with God-- worship. Jesus is angry and violent as He enters the temple-- a place of worship. What would God say to those who use the church or worship for social, political, or financial advantage? "Stop turning My Father's house into a market place."

**Giving in Response to God’s Love**  
**Offertory**

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**  
**The Lord’s Prayer – Sharing of the Bread and Cup**

\*Closing Song                   **“God Made from One Blood”**                   **TFWS 2170**

\*Sending Forth with God’s Blessing

**Response**

Go now in peace, go now in peace,  
May the love of God surround you  
Everywhere, everywhere you may go.

**Postlude**

**Numbers 21:4-9**           **Lection Reading for Following Sunday**  
**Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22**       **Ephesians 2:1-10**       **John 3:14-21**

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*The flowers on the altar tables are given by Marge Lewis  
in loving memory of Lew*

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**OUR FAITH IN ACTION**

**Our Prayers:** Tim Gillikin – recovering from a fall, Jay Lounsbury – upcoming surgery, Linda Vann, Jane Bowman, Cheryl Castner’s father – taken to rehab, her niece, and the Castner family, Jay Lounsbury’s sister, Ann Curry, Helen McGill, Elizabeth Stinson, Bob & Van King, Tyler Madden, People in transition, Olivia Gammel – friend of Chris Heyer, Sarah Stallings, Jerome Stallings, Shirley Wood, Carl Stallings, Sr, Those who travel, For the healing of the nation.

**Our Presence:**                      Worship Attendance Last Sunday                      243  
    Average Weekly Worship Attendance                      199  
    Sunday School Attendance Last Sunday                      59

**Our Gifts:** Please strive to tithe! The Bible asks us to tithe 10% of our income to God. Many of our members are doing this already. How about you? You may give your offering electronically (EFT). Call the church office to set it up. *Stewardship is rather a way of life than an annual campaign. Thank You for your faithful stewardship!*

**Record of Giving (Funds Received by the Church)**

	January-December 2017					
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)	Var %		
General Fund	\$392,507	\$370,750	\$21,757	6%		
Missions Fund	\$29,227	\$23,000	\$6,227	27%		
P&I Fund	\$19,734	\$18,000	\$1,734	10%		
Building Fund	\$76,955	\$66,000	\$10,955	18%		
Kitchen Fund	\$10,750	\$24,000	(\$13,250)	-55%		
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal	33	Other	2	YTD Cereal	267

\*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$114,571/ Mortgage Loan Balance = \$344,360 as of December 31, 2017

**Our Service:**

Ministers	All Members and Volunteers at Friendship
Secretary	Bonnie Dean <a href="mailto:bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org">bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org</a>
Music Team	Sandy Melson Griese, Holly Reynolds Lee, Chrys Hill, Micah Cooley
Children & Youth Ministry Coord.	Courtney Eversfield, <a href="mailto:cymc@friendshipmethodsit.org">cymc@friendshipmethodsit.org</a>
Custodian	Jim Fowler
Counters	Will fowler & Mary Kauffman
8:30 Greeters & Ushers	Harry Hill & Sam Terry
Acolyte	Colin Brumley
8:30 Sound Tech	John Wilson
Altar Guild for March	Van King (410-741-1778)
Friendship Hour	Noah's Ark Zone (Sally Lounsbury)
Stephen Ministry Coordinator	Paula Madden 443-262-2635 (C)
Pastor	Rev. Wayne Chung 443.646.5653 <a href="mailto:leadpastor@friendshipmethodist.org">leadpastor@friendshipmethodist.org</a>

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# FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, March 4, 2018  
 8:30 a.m. Worship Service



## Jesus Drives Money Changers From the Temple

**Our Mission** : “Grow as Disciples, Serve as Friends. Love All; Serve All; Follow One!”

**Our Motto** : “Each One, Reach One!”