

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 26, 2017 8:30 am

"God is spirit, and His worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth." (John 4:24)

Prelude

Welcome

*Opening Songs "Come, All You People" TFWS 2274
"We Walk by Faith" TFWS 2196

Announcements

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer Song "My Gratitude Now Accept, O God" (vs. 1&2) TFWS 2044

*Opening Prayer (in unison)

"God of light and truth, open our eyes to see Your presence among us at all times and in all places. Open our ears to hear familiar words in new ways. Grant us the power and courage to come out of the darkness and into the light of Jesus Christ, that we may serve You by serving others. Amen."

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Song "My Gratitude Now Accept, O God" (vs. 3&4) TFWS 2044

*Passing of the Peace

Children's Moment

Holly Reynolds Lee

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

"Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name and what our hearts can no longer bear. Set us free from a past that we cannot change and open to us a future in which we can be changed. Lead us into Your light that we may see ourselves and others as You see them. In Christ's name. Amen."

Hebrew Scripture 1 Samuel 16: 1-13 Cathy Page
Gospel Lesson John 9: 1-41

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

P: Thanks be to God.

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

Message

"But Now I See"

Rev. Wayne Chung

Samuel thinks a king must look like a king. People judge by looks but God does not. Jesus touches a man born blind to give physical eyesight and spiritual insight. What does it take to receive healing? "The blind will see and those who see will become blind."

Giving in Response to God's Love

Offertory

"All Night, All Day"

Children's Choir

*Presentation of Offering "Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart" TFWS 2036

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

*Closing Song "Walk With Me" TFWS 2242

*Sending Forth with God's Blessing

Response

"Go Ye, go ye into the world,
And take the gospel to all the people.
Go ye, go ye into the world
And I will be with you there."

Postlude

Lection Reading for Following Sunday

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Psalm 130

Romans 8:6-11

John 11:1-45

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OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Our Prayers: The Kotoriy Family, Florence Bowles, Elsie Arnold, The Elliott Family following the death of John's father, Sally Lounsbury recovering from surgery, Iva Gene Ward recovering from surgery, Deloras Ward recovering from surgery, Olivia Gammel – friend of Chris Heyer, Sarah Stallings, Jerome Stallings, Shirley Wood, Carl Stallings, Sr., Laura Wise – sister of Donna Nestor, Diana Marshall – niece of Martha Wooldridge, Jack Dorsey, Kathy Wallace, Bill Fowler, Those who travel

Our Presence:	Worship Attendance Last Sunday	174
	Average Worship Attendance	183
	Sunday School Attendance Last Sunday	62

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-February 2017			
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)	Var %
General Fund	\$70,308	\$65,016	\$5,292	8%
Missions Fund	\$3,117	\$3,258	(\$141)	-4%
P&I Fund	\$2,981	\$3,000	(\$19)	-1%
Building Fund	\$12,477	\$11,000	\$1,477	13%
Kitchen Fund	\$670	\$4,000	(\$3,330)	-83%
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal 30	Other 0	YTD Cereal	352

*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$113,581 as of February 28, 2017
Mortgage Loan Balance = \$501,177 as of February 28, 2017

Our Service:

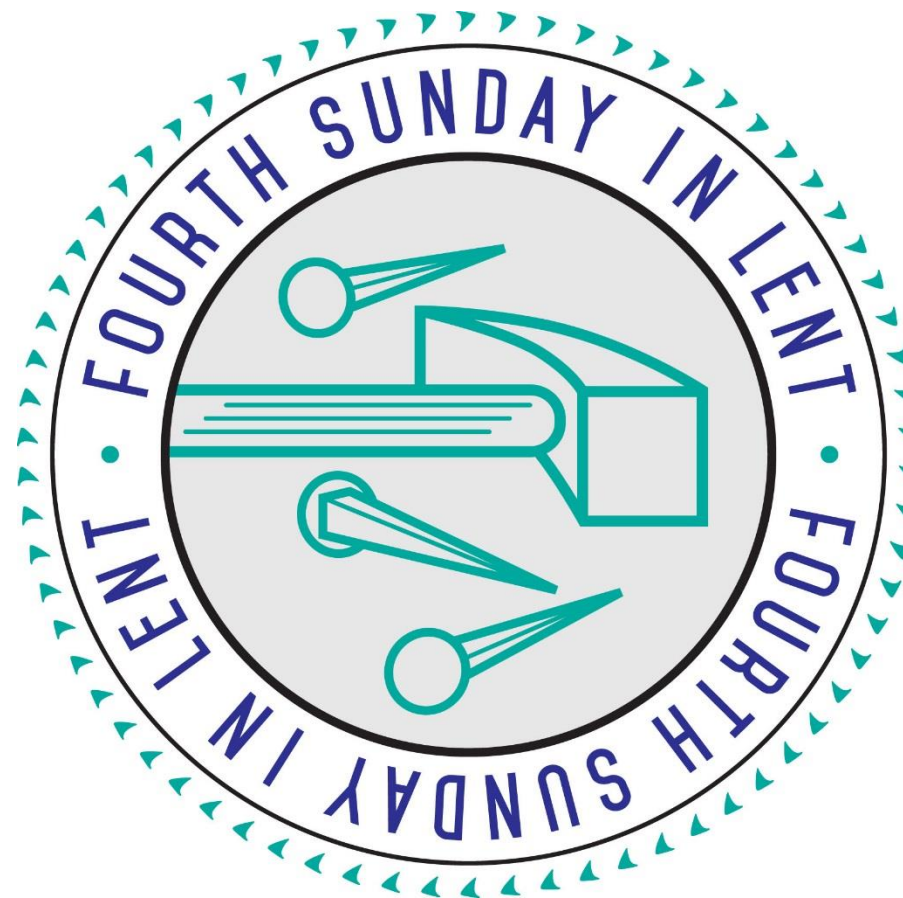
Ministers	All Members and Volunteers at Friendship
Secretary	Bonnie Dean bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org
Music Team	Sandy Melson Griese, Holly Reynolds Lee, Chrys Hill, Micah Cooley
Custodian	Jim Fowler
Counters	Will Fowler & Mary Kauffman
8:30 Greeters & Ushers	Harry Hill & Sam Terry
8:30 Sound Tech	John Wilson
Altar Guild for April	Kitty Beck Wilson (410-257-6519)
Friendship Hour	Friendly Connections Zone (Ev Klahr)
Stephen Ministry Coordinator	Paula Madden 443-262-2635 (C)
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FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, March 26, 2017
8:30 a.m. Worship Service



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

Our Motto : “Each One, Reach One!”