

Third Sunday in Lent  
March 19, 2017 8:30 am

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

Prelude

Welcome

\*Opening Songs "God of the Bible" W&S 3020  
"Creation Sings" W&S 3018

Announcements

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer Song "In God Alone" W&S 3135

\*Opening Prayer (in unison)

"Loving God, we come this morning in hope—hope that will sustain us in our trying times, our lonely times, our doubting times. Refresh us this morning with the living water of Your presence and love. Open us to the possibilities of friendship—the possibilities of encountering You in unexpected ways. Amen."

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Song "In God Alone" W&S 3135

\*Passing of the Peace

Children's Moment

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

"Gracious God, we confess that we have often turned from You and wandered in our own wilderness. When things are not perfect in our eyes, we complain, grumble and doubt. We lose hope in the people around us and, even worse, we lose hope in You. Forgive our doubts and complaining. Heal us. Wash us again in the living water and restore us. Amen."

Hebrew Scripture Exodus 17: 1- 7 Debbie Warman  
Gospel Lesson John 4: 5-42

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 "Jesus the Solid Rock" Rev. Wayne Chung  
*People were thirsty in the wilderness and grumbled. "Strike the rock, and water will come out." Why water from a rock than from a river? Why strike the rock? "Anyone who drinks water I give will never thirst."*

Giving in Response to God's Love  
Offertory

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

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

\*Closing Song "Fill My Cup Lord" W&S 3093

\*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

1 Samuel 16:1-13 Psalm 23 Ephesians 5:8-14 John 9:1-41

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*The flowers on the altar today are given by Bonnie Revell in anticipation of spring!*

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OUR FAITH IN ACTION

**Our Prayers:** 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

<b>Our Presence:</b>	Worship Attendance Last Sunday	144
	Average Worship Attendance	184
	Sunday School Attendance Last Sunday	58

**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 2016					
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)	Var %		
General Fund	\$391,895	\$401,811	(\$9,916)	-2%		
Missions Fund	\$24,829	\$23,000	\$1,829	8%		
P&I Fund	\$27,782	\$24,500	\$3,282	13%		
Building Fund	\$76,634	\$70,800	(\$166)	0%		
Kitchen Fund	\$60,348	\$6,504	\$53,844	-		
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal	29	Other	0	YTD Cereal	322

\*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$112,911 as of December 31, 2016  
Mortgage Loan Balance = \$511,947 as of December 31, 2016

**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
Custodian	Jim Fowler
Counters	Joyce Terry & Judy McGowan
8:30 Greeters & Ushers	Harry Hill & Sam Terry
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 19, 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!”