

**FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**8:30 A.M. Service for March 1, 2020**

**GATHERING**

Thank you for joining us today! Friendship United Methodist Church is a collection of happy believers and warm and loving people because Jesus Christ lives within us. We encourage you to use this worship experience as a way to explore your own faith and to grow in the love of Jesus Christ. If Jesus Christ lives in you, you will love it here!

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**PRELUDE**

**\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP (From Psalm 32)**

**L:** Let all who are faithful offer prayer to You; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

**P: You are a hiding place for me; You preserve me from trouble; You surround me with glad cries of deliverance.**

**L:** I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go. I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

**P: Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.**

**L:** Let us worship God!

**\*OPENING MUSIC:**

W&S 3101

“Love Lifted Me”

W&S 3100

“Jesus Paid It All”

**\*UNISON PRAYER**

**When confronted by temptations, we are easily overcome. They allure us with promises we find hard to resist. We harbor fantasies of how our lives might have been. Our dreams become pervasive, hiding the truth of Your Love. Gracious God, have mercy upon us; enable us to discern deception when it appears. Enlighten us to Your Genuine Renewal in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**\*WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

L: Hear the Good News: “Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God’s Love toward us.” In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**P: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI (UMH 70)**

**\*APOSTLES’ CREED (UMH 881)**

READING OF Romans 5:12-19 (New Testament pp. 145-146)

RESPONSE TO THE READING

L: This is the reading of the Word of God.

**P: May God open our minds to the meaning.**

L: May God open our hearts to the Love found in the Word.

**P: May God encourage us to be in action as His Instruments to fulfill the Word.**

MOMENT FOR THE CHILD IN ALL OF US

- Ruth Bailey

MUSIC BY THE PRAISE TEAM “Seed Scattered and Sown”

## THE GATHERING OF OUR MORNING GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory

\*Response: “Give Thanks”

*Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because he’s given Jesus Christ his Son.*

*And now let the weak say, ‘I am strong;’ Let the poor say, ‘I am rich,  
Because of what the Lord has done for us.’ Give thanks!*

\*Prayer of Dedication and The Lord’s Prayer

**“Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen”**

\*SONG OF PREPARATION:

UMH 377

“It Is Well with My Soul”

MESSAGE: “Pardon for Sin”

- Rev. Thomas E. Young, Jr.

## SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

L: The Lord be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

**P: We lift them up to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

L: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You brought all things into being and called them good. From the dust of the earth You formed us into Your Image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, Your Love remained steadfast. When rain fell upon the earth forty days and forty nights You bore up the ark on the waters, saved Noah and his family, and established an everlasting covenant with every living creature upon the earth. When You delivered us from slavery and made us Your Covenant People, You led Moses to Your Mountain for forty days and forty nights and gave us Your Teachings. You led us through the wilderness and fed us manna for forty years and brought us to the Promised Land. When we forsook Your Covenant, You led Your Prophet Elijah to Your Mountain, where, he fasted forty days and forty nights, he heard Your Still Small Voice. And so, with Your People on earth and all the Company of Heaven, we praise Your Name and join their unending praise:

**P: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Power and Might, heaven and earth are full of Your Glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

L: Holy are You, and blessed is Your Son Jesus Christ. When You gave Him to save us from our sin, Your Spirit led Him into the wilderness, where He fasted forty days and forty nights in preparation for His Ministry. When He suffered and died on a cross for our sin, You raised Him to life, presented Him alive to the apostles during forty days, and exalted Him at Your Right Hand. By the baptism of His Suffering, Death, and Resurrection You gave birth to Your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. Now, when we Your People prepare for the yearly Paschal Feast of Your Son's Death and Resurrection, You lead us to repentance for our sin and the cleansing of our hearts, that during these forty days of Lent we may be gifted and graced to renew the covenant You made with us through Christ.

On the night in which He gave Himself up for us He took bread, gave thanks to You, broke the bread, gave it to His Disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." When the supper was over He took the cup, gave thanks to You, gave it to His Disciples, and said; "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." And so, in remembrance of these Your Mighty Acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**P: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

L: Pour out Your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and juice. Make them be for us the Body and Blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the Body of Christ, redeemed by His Blood. By Your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at His Heavenly Banquet.

**P: Through Your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in Your Holy Church, all honor and glory is Yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.**

THE SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS  
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

\*CLOSING SONG: UMH #378      "Amazing Grace"

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

## THE WEEK AND BEYOND AT A GLANCE

Sunday, March 1		
Sunday Morning Worship	8:30 & 11:00 am	Sanctuary
Sunday School	9:45-10:45 am	Education Building
Church-Wide Birthday Party	12 noon	Fellowship Hall
Monday, March 2		
Worship Committee Meeting	5:30 pm	Bishop Warman Room
Handbell Rehearsal	6:30 pm	Upper Narthex
Voices In Praise Rehearsals	6:30-8:30 pm	Music Room
Tuesday, March 3		
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:15-8:45 pm	Music Room
Wednesday, March 4		
Dorcas-Lydia Circle Meeting	10:00 am	Fellowship Hall
Board of Trustees Meeting	7:00 pm	Bishop Warman Room
Community Lenten Service	7:00 pm	Patuxent UMC
Thursday, March 5		
Bible Study	10:30 am	Bishop Warman Room
Lenten Study	7:00 pm	Fellowship Hall
Saturday, March 7		
UMM Breakfast	8:00 am	Dockside Restaurant

**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, Chrys Hill, Micah Cooley
Children & Youth Ministry	Courtney Eversfield, <a href="mailto:cymc@friendshipmethodist.org">cymc@friendshipmethodist.org</a>
8:30 am Ushers	Harry Hill & Bonnie Revell
11:00 Ushers	Richard Chaney, & Wheeler Green
Friendship Time	Friendly Connections Zone (Ev Klahr)
Counters	Will Fowler & Pat Shumate
Electronic Giving Counter	Larry Myers
Altar Guild for March	Van King 410-741-1778
Stephen Ministry Coord.	Paula Madden 443-262-2635 (C)

**PRAYER CONCERNS OF FRIENDSHIP CHURCH**

Ev Klahr’s sister Judy hospitalized following heart surgery and complications, Scott Dean’s mother Judy, Martha Wooldridge, Betty Brinker, Wayne Thorne, Monique Anderson and Family, Jay Lounsbury, Kristen Heyer’s mom, Linda Baine, Delores Ward, Jerome Stallings, Jerry Burdsall, Tyler Madden, UMC General Conference (May 5-15, 2020). *If you would like someone added to our prayer list, please contact Bonnie in the church office – 410-257-7133.*

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

	January 2020			
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Var %
General Fund	\$25,628	\$28,513	(\$2,885)	-10%
Missions Fund	\$823	\$1,300	(\$477)	-37%
P&I Fund	\$1,206	\$1,500	(\$294)	-20%
Building Fund	\$4,220	\$4,527	(\$307)	-7%

\*Kitchen Fund Cash Balance=\$107,784/Mortgage Loan Balance=\$224,654 as of 1/31/2020



Friendship Church is participating in the Christmas in April program through Calvert County. We need volunteers to help with the project. More information about the type of project is forthcoming. The project day is April 25, 2020. The minimum age requirement for volunteers is 14 years old. Please contact Ray Wilkerson at 301-643-4356 or [rtwilk92@yahoo.com](mailto:rtwilk92@yahoo.com) for more information or to sign up as a volunteer.

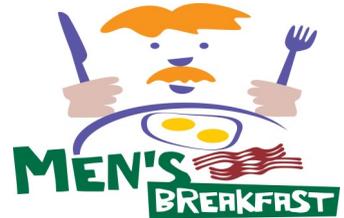


**Fellowship Time**...will resume TODAY, along with our annual Church-wide Birthday Party! The Friendly Connections Zone will be hosting the Friendship Time. A new schedule is located in the narthex or on the table in the Fellowship Hall. Pick-

up your copy today!

If you don't belong to a Zone and would like to join one please contact Bonnie Revell at 410-741-5268.

The Men's group will meet for breakfast on Saturday, March 7, 2020 at 8:00 am at Dockside Restaurant in Deale. Hope to see you there!



The March Bible Bites will be about "Lent". It is also a "time that the Lord invites us to come back home, come back to the Church." (Cardinal Timothy Dolan, New York) When Lent started it was only 36 days. It was changed to 40 days. Why? The number 40 is a significant number for Christians.



# CHOCOLATE OLYMPICS



10:00 am March 14<sup>th</sup>  
in the Fellowship Hall

Come on out for our next children's event "Chocolate Olympics"! Have fun competing against friends and family in "minute to win it" type games that somehow involve chocolate (i.e. brownie eating contest). This event is open to all. Look for more information in upcoming bulletins!



The Dorcas-Lydia Circle will be selling Box Lunches on Sunday, March 16th after both services. The lunch will be delicious homemade chicken salad (on lettuce leaf), creamy cole slaw, roll, & chips. Please get your order in early so we can prepare enough food. The price is \$10.00. Please fill in the information below or pick up an order form in the Narthex and place it in the basket in the Narthex.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

I will pick-up my box lunch(es) after the

8:30 service \_\_\_\_ # ordered \_\_\_\_ / 11:00 service \_\_\_\_ # ordered \_\_\_\_

*Make checks payable to: The Dorcas-Lydia Circle*

*For more information or to place a phone order by Thursday March 13th call Lillian Mair at 301-855-6359.*



## Dinner and a Play

### *Spring Fling!*

*Come celebrate the end of winter on the 21st of March with a dinner at Dockside restaurant in Deal followed by Huntington High School's spring musical "Bright Star". Cost of the dinner for each person is \$42 (gratuity incl.) and a ticket to the play is \$10 (seniors/students) and \$15 for adults. You can also skip the dinner and meet us at the play! Dinner menu includes all drinks (excludes cash bar), an appetizer, and an entrée selection.*

*Appetizer: crab dip or shrimp cocktail with sauce*

*Entrées: (choose one)*

*Pime Rib*

*Fresh Fish of the Day (tuna, mahi, or salmon)*

*Chicken Chesapeake (baked chicken with crab meat)*

*Shrimp Pasta with Alfredo or Marinara sauce*

*(first four entrées include a baked potato and a vegetable; pasta comes with salad and garlic bread)*

*Substitutions are allowed, and you can order other entrées off of the regular menu.*

*Please see Rob Sybert if you are interested or have any questions. We have a number of reserved seat tickets for sale for the play!*



Annual  
LOTHIAN RURITAN

# Spaghetti Dinner

& bake sale!



Saturday, March 7, 2020  
3:00 pm - 7:00pm

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Mt. Zion United Methodist Church  
122 Bayard Road | Lothian, MD 20711

## *All you can eat includes:*

Spaghetti w/ your  
choice of sauce

- beef
- ground beef/italian sausage
- vegetarian

Bread & Salad

- garlic bread
- ginger bread  
w/ lemon sauce
- salad

Drinks

- coffee
- iced tea
- juice boxes for kids

Adults - \$12 | Kids 6-12yrs - \$6 | Kids under 6 - Free

Proceeds of the dinner will be donated to the Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry program of  
the South County Food Bank (SCAN)

Proceeds of the Bake Sale will be donated to the Take Heroes Fishing project



## Vacation Bible School (VBS) 2020 Save the Date! **July 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> 2020**

Every summer FUMC hosts a fun filled week of Vacation Bible School (VBS) for ages 3 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. This year's theme is Rocky Railway. At Rocky Railway VBS, kids will learn that through life's ups and downs, "Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through".

More information about registration and VBS will be available soon!  
We are looking for **crew leaders** who have completed 6<sup>th</sup> grade or higher.

For any questions please contact/call  
Morgan Miller: 443-684-9478, [mem1035@sru.edu](mailto:mem1035@sru.edu)  
Brooke Miller: 410-610-3334, [bcm1008@sru.edu](mailto:bcm1008@sru.edu)

**BALTIMORE WASHINGTON CAMPS AND RETREATS registration for the Summer of 2020 sessions is now open. Brochures are available in the Fellowship Hall. Call 800-922-6795 or visit the website: [BWCCAMPSANDRETREATS.COM](http://BWCCAMPSANDRETREATS.COM) or for more information!**