



The Herald

GOOD SAMARITAN

United Methodist Church



February 2026

Important Dates ***February***

Every Sunday

9AM Sunday School

10AM worship service

**1st Sun. of every month—
communion is served at
worship service—**

***Feb. 3rd-Trustees 7PM**

***Feb. 8th-Souper bowl
Sunday-soup served &
February birthdays**

***Feb. 11th-UMW Meet 6PM-
off site**

***Feb. 15th-Worship Team
after service**

***Feb. 18th-Ash Wednesday**

***Feb. 25th-Wednesday-
Church
Council/Finance Meet
6:30PM**

***Lent Bible Study
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From the Pastor

Winter has a way of making itself known. The air sharpens, the days shorten, and the cold settles not just on our streets and sidewalks, but sometimes deep in our bones. We bundle up, turn up the heat, and look for ways to stay warm. Cold reminds us of our vulnerability—and of our need for shelter. The same can be true in our spiritual lives.

There are seasons when faith feels warm and alive, when hope comes easily and joy feels close at hand. And then there are colder seasons. Grief, uncertainty, isolation, and fear can chill our spirits. Relationships grow distant. Prayers feel unanswered. The world itself can seem cold—divided, harsh, and indifferent. I personally know that there are many of you experiencing trying times right now.

Scripture knows these seasons well. The psalms are full of cries from people who felt abandoned, numb, or exposed. The Bible never pretends that faith protects us from the cold; instead, it promises that God meets us in it and sees us through it.

One of the most powerful images of the gospel is that God does not shout warmth at us from a distance. God comes close. In Jesus, God steps into the chill of human life—into hunger, rejection, suffering, and death itself. The incarnation is God putting on flesh and entering the cold world we know so well.

If that is the case, then the church is called to be a place of warmth. Not perfect warmth, and not superficial cheer, but real, human warmth: presence, compassion, listening, and love. When someone walks through our doors carrying the cold of loss or loneliness, they should encounter a community that makes room by the fire. When the world feels unforgiving, the church should be a place where grace softens the air.

As the temperatures drop outside, may we pay attention to where warmth is needed inside. A phone call. A meal. A prayer. An invitation. These small acts can feel like a blanket offered at just the right moment.

Winter does not last forever. The cold is real, but it is not the final word. Spring will come. God's promise is not merely survival, but renewal—new life pushing up through frozen ground.

Until then, may we stay close to one another, and may the love of Christ keep us warm.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Singh

FUN EVENT AND FELLOWSHIP TIME!!!! Celebrating our February birthdays and Souper Bowl Sunday

Please join us on Souper Bowl Sunday, February 8th after worship service for a bowl of soup.

All donations collected will go to The Night Ministry.

The Night Ministry is a Chicago-based organization whose mission is to provide human connection, housing support, and health care to members of our community who are unhoused or experiencing poverty



If you would like to bring a soup or dessert to share just let us know.



tacklehunger.org

February 8th-
join us for cake
and soup-after
worship service
Souper Bowl
Sunday!



Date	Name
2	Carol Shauf
2	Jen McCaleb
4	Debbie Snowden
7	Karen Jeschke
9	Ninfa Reinoso
17	Brittany (Fiduccia)Gersh
17	Christina (Fiduccia)Beckwith
19	Guy Schlagel
20	Sharon Luikaart
23	Karen Coffinbargar
23	Matthew Delawder
23	Nathaniel Shauf
24	Joanna Salonga
25	Max Canady
26	Christina Daniello

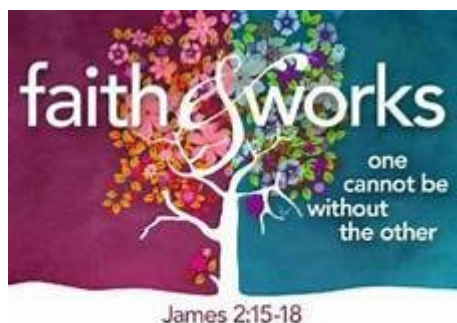
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Donation go to our
Website:

www.goodsamaritanumc.com

Click on tab for
donations

1. Zelle with our
church email.
goodsamarita-
numc@sbcglobal.
net

2. mail them in.
3. offering plate



Trustee Ministry

February meetings.

You are invited to all. If you have questions call the church at 630-543-3725.

*Trustees Tuesday Feb. 3rd at 7PM

*UMW-United Women in Faith meet Wednesday, Feb. 11th- 6PM supper 7PM meeting. All women invited. Please call the church for location. We would love to have you join us.-you do not have to be a member to join us.

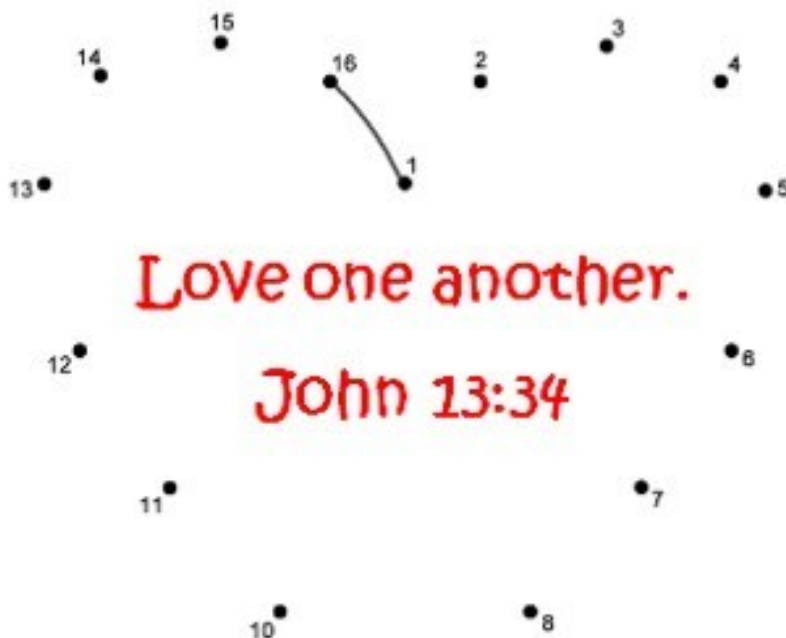
*Worship Team meeting-Feb. 15th after worship service

*Church Council/ Finance –on Wednesday Feb. 25th at 6:30PM

Kid's Corner

**"A new command
I give you: Love
one another. As I
have loved you, so
you must love one
another."**

-John 13:34

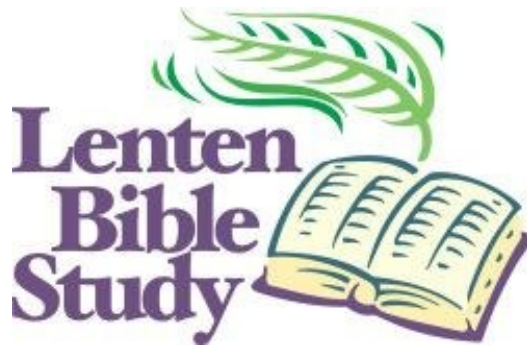


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**Please join us every
Sunday at 9:00 am in the
classrooms downstairs for
Sunday School!**



All Are Welcome-Lent Bible Studies–
Thursday mornings at 10:30AM-in person.
Begins Feb 19th “An Unlikely Lent”– by
Rachel Billups. .

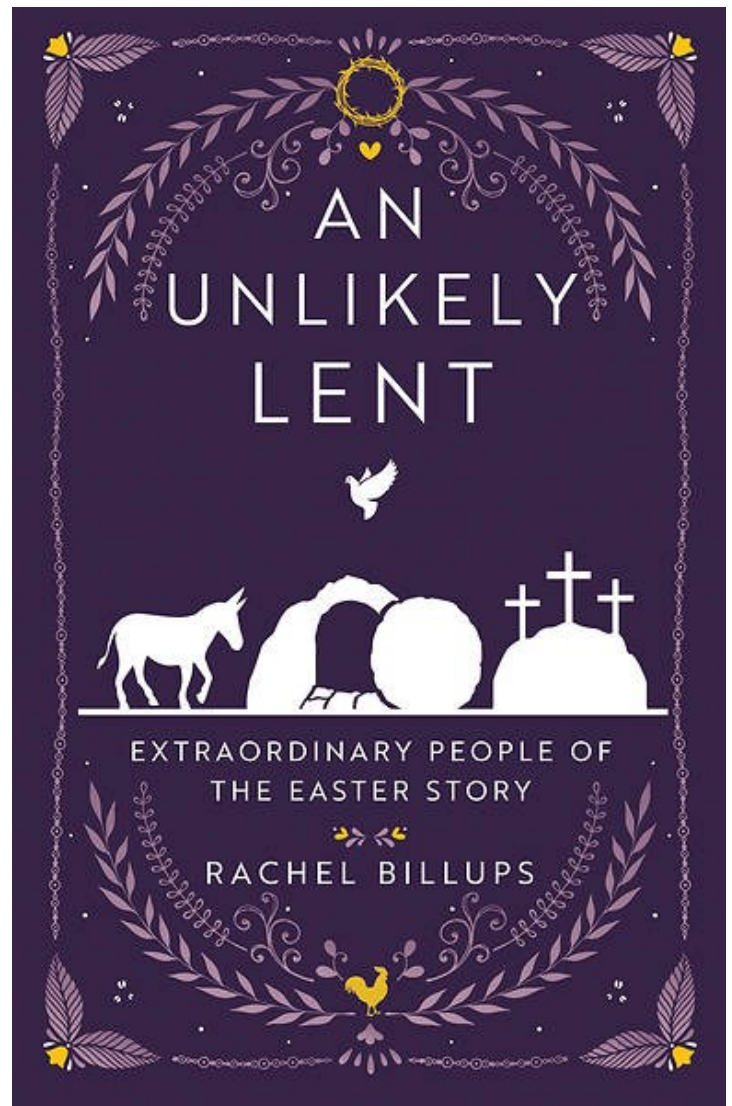
There will also be an online bible study
Monday evenings begins on Feb. 23rd at
7PM on zoom.

This is a 6 week study

Interested please let us know.

Email or call the church with information
on which study you wish to join.

You may order your books (suggestions)
from Cokesbury.com, Amazon.com,
Thriftbooks.com, Christian book.com or
any where Questions please reach out.

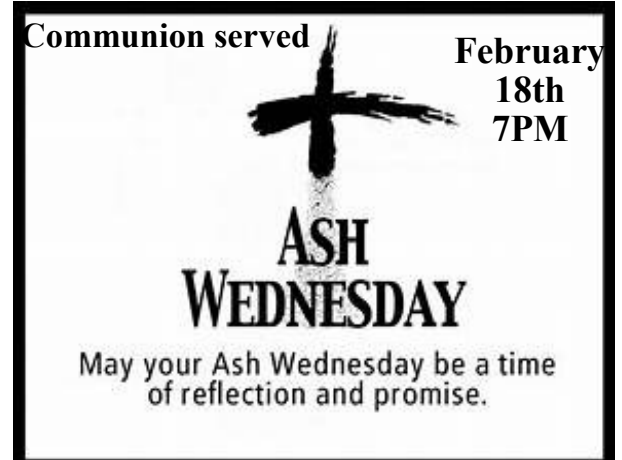


Why do we celebrate Transfiguration Sunday? The festival celebrates the revelation of the eternal glory of the Second Person of the Trinity, which was normally veiled during Christ's life on earth. According to tradition, the event took place on Mount Tabor.

***Lent begins
on Ash Wednesday***



**February 15
10AM**



Communion served

**February
18th
7PM**

**ASH
WEDNESDAY**

May your Ash Wednesday be a time
of reflection and promise.

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Worship Service on line
"Facebook Live" Sundays 10AM
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Love God · Connect with Others · Serve the World

- Church every Sunday 10AM in person and on Facebook live
- Sunday School Classes for all ages every Sunday at 9AM



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HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY