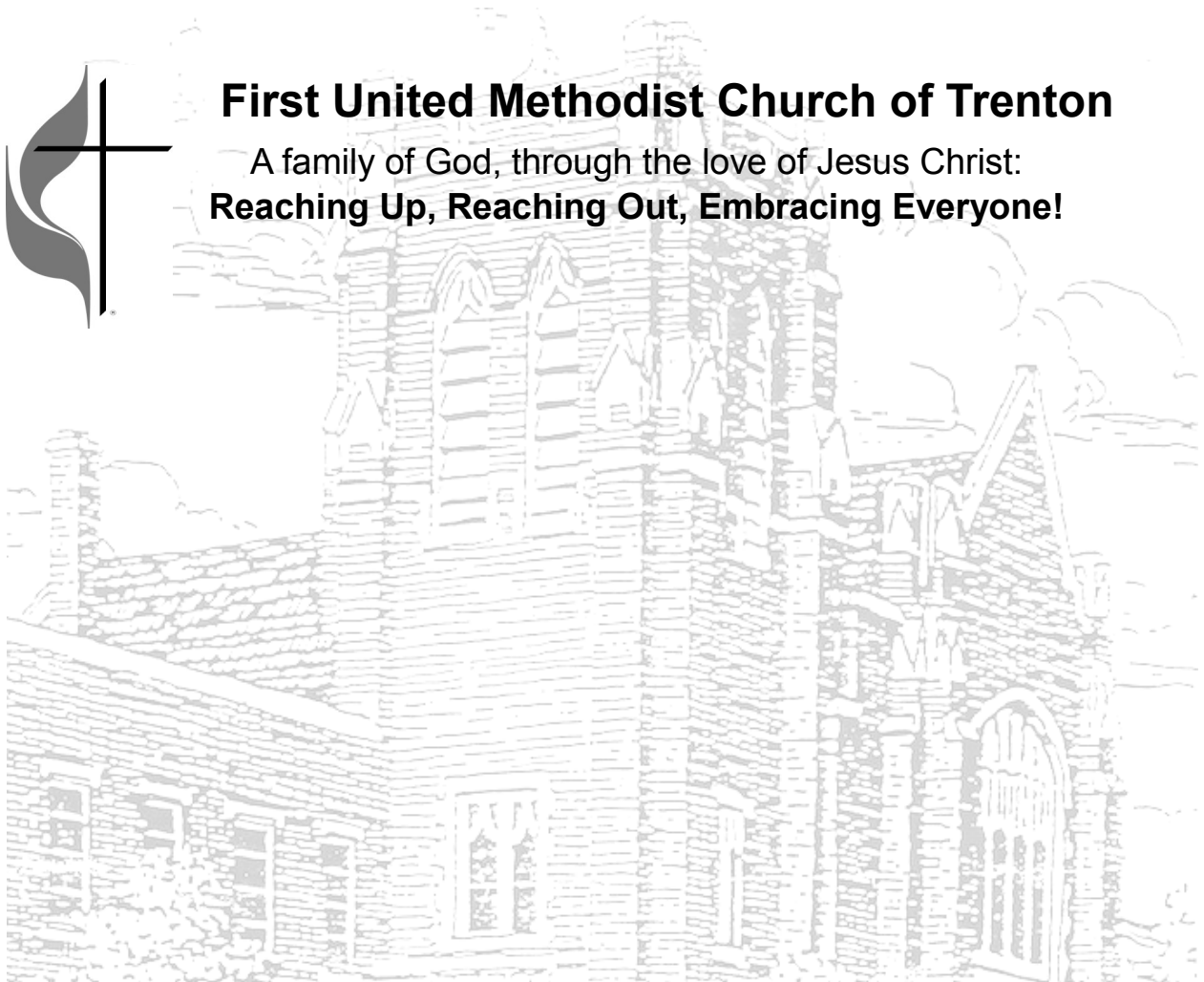




First United Methodist Church of Trenton

A family of God, through the love of Jesus Christ:
Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Embracing Everyone!



Welcome, we are glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. We would like you to know that:

- Nursery services are available upon request. The nursery is located on the second floor.
- An asterisk (*) located before an event means that we invite you to rise in body or in spirit.
- You are invited to join us for refreshments in the lounge after the service.
- The pastor is available to meet with you to answer any questions or address any concerns about the church you might have, and for pastoral counseling or conversation, and visits.
- We hope to see you again!

February 25, 2018

10:00 am

Welcome:

Prelude

Organist/pianist Jeff Burke

Birthday Liturgy: To honor our members with birthdays in February

Leader: Life is a precious gift from God, our Creator and Sustainer.

People: Thank you, God, for life.

Leader: We give thanks to God for those people whose birthdays are in February.

People We are grateful for these special people, and pray for God's blessing to be upon them.

Leader: Each person who is a part of this community of faith brings varied gifts that enrich our lives together.

People: May we always be open to seeing God's image in one another, and using the gifts He has given us in his service. Amen.

Call to Worship:

Leader: God, you call us on a journey of faith like you called Abraham and Sarah long ago.

People: Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you, just as you once called your original disciples.

Leader: Gracious God, part of our response to your call is to show up here to worship you and learn more about you.

People: Lord Jesus, another part of our response to your call is to serve others in your name.

All: God of compassion and grace, bless our homeless guests who have left our church this morning, and bless and guide all of us on our journey of faith. Amen.

***Opening Hymn:**

"From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

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Opening Prayer: Gracious God, you have given us the law of Moses and the teachings of Jesus to direct us in the way of life. You offer us your Holy Spirit, so that we can be born to new life as your children. Yet, O God, we confess that the ways of sin and still hold a strong attraction for us, and that at times we succumb to their lure. Please forgive us our sins, and give us the vision and the courage to follow in your path to spiritual blessing and life. We pray in the name of Jesus our Lord. Amen.

The Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 17: 1-22

*Hymn	"Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom"	# 508
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Prayers of the People

What joys or concerns do you want to take to God in prayer?
Do you have a story to share as to how God has worked in your life recently?

Pastoral Prayer

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.

The Epistle Lesson : Romans 4: 13-25

***Hymn** "Nothing but the Blood" # 362

Sermon: Rev. Heidi Reinker

*Hymn	"God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian"	# 648
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Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

Offering Prayer
Special Music
Offertory Music
Offertory

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Hymn # 94
Praise God, all creatures here below Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! / Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! / Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***Benediction**

It is our tradition to form a circle around the perimeter of the church after the benediction to sing "Let There Be Love on Earth" while holding hands. If you are uncomfortable with this, you may proceed directly to the fellowship hall for refreshments!

***Closing Hymn**

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Hymn # 431

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me;
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God our Creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.
Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

***Postlude**

Everyone is invited to the fellowship hall for refreshments and a time of fellowship.

Altar Flowers: Flowers are given by Mary Anne Voss in honor of Maxine Brewer's Birthday.

Coffee Hour: Betty Miller

Nursery Caregiver:

Liturgist: Lynn Lash

Greeter: Faith Cookson

Liturgical Resources:

Call to Worship

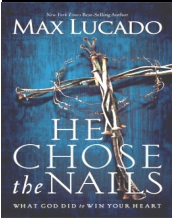
Opening Prayer

In Our Thoughts and Prayers...	
<p>Those who are hospitalized:</p> <p>Those who are home:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Sandi Brewer</i>– Ruth Ann Brewer • <i>Debbie Moffitt Botta</i> –Greg Moffitt • <i>Mardell Hull</i> • <i>Jo Kampschoer</i> • <i>Ruth Kasenow</i> • <i>Lindsey Liedke</i>-Betty Lozo daughter • <i>Betty Lozo</i> • <i>Pat Menatac</i> • <i>Stan Miller</i> • <i>Alex Nicol</i>– Ruth Ann Brewer • <i>Morris Prater</i>– Father of Tom Prater • <i>Shannon Prater</i>-Lee and Jan Wynn's daughter • <i>Donna Partillo</i>– Karen Roberts friend • <i>Ryan Randazzo</i>– Betty and Stan Miller-grandson • <i>Julie Storm</i>– Ruth Kasenow • <i>Sally Thornton</i>–Karen Roberts friend • <i>Joe Wilson</i> • <i>Janet Wolfe</i>-Ruth Kasenow's daughter • <i>Jeff Wynn</i>– Lee and Jan Wynn son • <i>Lee Wynn</i>- 	<p>Those serving our country:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>SPC Bradley Cookson</i> (Army) - grandson of Faith Cookson • <i>MAJ Nathaniel Davis</i> (Army, New York) • <i>CPT Charles Dvorak</i> (Army) - brother of Emily Neubauer <p>Please contact the church office if you would like a name added to the list</p>



Greeters and Liturgists are needed for the 2018 calendar year.
If you are interested, sign-up sheets are located in the lounge.

Trenton First UMC Announcements



Lenten Study

Our Lenten study will be
Max Lucado's Book
He Chose the Nails:

What God did to win your Heart.

Our study begins tomorrow, February 26th at 7 pm. Pastor Heidi ordered extra books for the Lenten Study, so if you would like a copy please see her.

Pastor Heidi has decided to do 2 Wednesday sessions of the Lenten study (for those folks who can't make the Monday sessions) or who don't want to read the book. We'll view 2 segments of the DVD each week at the 2 Wednesday sessions March 7th and March 21st at 7 pm and then discuss them.

We will have a light meal at 6:15 pm in the meeting room Pastor Heidi will bring a main dish of some sort and you are encouraged to bring something to share. The study will be in the lounge.

Are you interested in becoming a member?

Please speak to Pastor Heidi. She would like to schedule a membership class and would like to have a list of people who would like to attend. She has two people interested already.

You can reach her at 734-407-9515 or
by email at hcreinker@gmail.com



Adult Bible Study

We gather Tuesdays from 1- 2 p.m. or so to study the scriptures together with Pastor Heidi.

We read sections of the scriptures and then discuss them, so there is no homework, and you can jump in and join us anytime. So just bring your Bible and join us in the meeting room for this study. All are invited to attend. We are studying the gospel of John.

All are welcome!

Easter Flowers



If you want to order Easter flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one, please fill out the form enclosed, and return it **no later than March 11th**. We need to have a final count of flowers that need to be ordered. Your information will be printed in the Easter bulletin. You may pick up your flowers after the Easter service, or leave them to decorate the church for the next several weeks. Extra forms are in the lounge.

Trenton First UMC and Community Announcements Continued



Breakfast & Devotion

If you're looking for a way to start the week with good food, great company and a brief devotion, then come join us at the diner.

The next Breakfast will be
March 5th at 8 am at Mom's Restaurant.



Bake Potato Lunch

**Palm Sunday, March 25
following the worship**



St. Philip's Food Pantry

Throughout March and April
our church is responsible
for staffing at

St. Phillips Lutheran Church at
1790 Fort St, Trenton, MI on
Wednesdays, from 10:00 am—2:00 pm

**The food pantry is in need of can fruit, cereal
and peanut butter.**

There is a sign up sheet for volunteers on the
piano in the lounge.

Lenten Special Offerings

Each week in Lent we are challenged to give to a mission project or organization that does work in our community. This year the schedule is as follows:

Sun., February 18— 1st Sunday in Lent

**Special (Monetary) Collection for our local
Church's ChristNet Expenses**

Sun., February 25 - 2nd Sunday in Lent

St. Philip Lutheran Food Pantry

Non-Perishable Packaged and Canned Goods:
Cereal, Hamburger Helper, Meat Products, Rice
Roni, etc.

Sun., Mar. 4- 3rd Sunday In Lent

Rockwood Men's Home

Hygiene Items (except razors) - deodorant, tooth-
paste, tooth brushes, etc. Towels, Wash Cloths,
Dish Towels

Sun., Mar. 11- 4th Sunday in Lent

Soup Kitchen

Special (Monetary) Collection for our Soup Kitchen

Sun., March 18- 5th Sunday in Lent

**First Step (for survivors of domestic and sexual
abuse)**

Baby -Toddler Products: Lotion, Wipes, Diapers,
Powder, etc.. Personal Hygiene Items:
Toothpaste, Tooth Brushes, Shampoo, Soap, etc.

Sun., March 25- Palm Sunday

ChristNet Daytime Center

Paper Dinner Plates, 6 oz. Coffee Cups, Ground
Coffee (Regular & Decaf), Napkins

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February

Sunday: 2/25: 10 am worship
ChristNet week ends help with clean up

Monday: 2/26: 7 pm Lenten study begins

Tuesday: 2/27: 1 pm Bible study on John
9 am-1 pm Pastor Heidi Office hours

Thursday: 2/28: 7 pm Choir; 8 pm Praise Band

March

Sunday: 3/04: Third Sunday of Lent worship with the Holy Communion

Monday: 3/05: 8 am breakfast and devotions at Moms Resturant
7 pm Lenten Study

Wednesday: 3/07: Alternate Lenten study– just DVD based (2 sessions)
Potluck dinner 6:15– study at 7 pm

Thursday: 3/08:: 7 pm Choir; 8 pm Praise Band

Sunday: 3/11: Fourth Sunday of Lent



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