


March 5, 2023



Sowing and Growing  
Parable of Sower  
Matthew 13:3-9, 18-23

- Opening Worship Song.....*"Love the Lord"*
- Welcome & Invocation.....*Jim Loeffler*
- Prelude.....*"Lead Me to the Cross".....Linda Morey*
- Old Testament Reading (Malachi 1:10-2:2).....*Maddie White*
- Praise & Worship.....*"Beautiful One"*  
*"Lead Me to the Cross"*
- Kids' Talk.....*Mary Kobylinski*
- Skit.....*The Word of the Day*
- Prayer.....*Sue Fuller*
- Hymn #620.....*"One Bread, One Body"*
- Blessing of Gifts
- Doxology
- New Testament Reading (Acts 8:9-23)
- Message.....*Pastor Tim*  

Tithing: It is Not About the Money—  
It Is About Giving Your Heart
- Communion
- Communion Song.....*"Jesus Messiah"*
- Responding to God's Love.....*"Song of Love"*
- Benediction/Blessing
- Exit Song.....*"Enough"*



TCAF UTH  
**REVIVAL**  
2 CHRONICLES 7:14

**REVIVAL RECAP & TESTIMONIES**  
MARCH 5, 2023  
4-6:30PM\*  
7-12TH GRADE

**TODAY, Sunday, March 5** the Sr. High & the Confirmation Classes will meet at the church at 3:30 pm to head over to the Camp at Findley. From 4:00-6:30 p.m. we'll be treated to this month's TCAF UTH Revival. The guests speakers recently took a trip to Asbury University to experience the revival that took place there. They'll be sharing their testimonies of the event. We want to hear what God is doing, to be encouraged , and to continue making a difference in our communities!

**The Confirmation Class will meet afterwards with Pastor Tim from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

### Mark Your Calendar!



& Dessert Auction

The Youth are sponsoring a spaghetti dinner on Friday, March 24 at 6:00 p.m. The cost is a donation which will go towards helping to defray expenses for youth activities and programs. The Band of Brothers will sponsor the desserts which will be auctioned off after the dinner and the proceeds will go to youth programming. Asking all men of the church to prepare a dessert to be auctioned off.

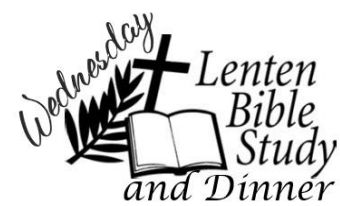
**Look for the menu and sign-up sheets in the narthex -- we need to know how many to prepare for.**



**Ella Cochran Food Pantry** is in need of these items:  
Toothbrushes  
Toothpaste  
Bar Soap for the shower  
Body Wash  
**We will be collecting these items through March 5.**  
You'll find a box in the narthex to put them in.

**Last day to collect these items!**

**In March**, we will be gathering items for an Easter dinner. We would like to make someone's Easter dinner special. If you are able to help out, we'll have grocery bags with a list of items needed to compliment the ham that the Ella Cochran Food Pantry will be handing out for a complete dinner. We'll be collecting the items from March 5 through April 2. Thank you so much!



## THERE IS STILL TIME!

Each week, we'll have a different themed supper at 6:00 pm with each class beginning at 6:45 pm. Let's try to get everyone involved and make these weeks before Easter meaningful! See Linda Morey about joining a Bible Study.

Ladies, don't miss WCTL's 15th Annual Rejoice Refresh Renew Women's Conference on Saturday, March 25th at Erie First Assembly. The keynote speaker is New York Times Best-Selling author and Proverbs 31 Ministries speaker & Bible teacher **KAREN EHMAN!** Karen will share messages based on her book *Let. It. Go.: How to Stop Running the Show and Start Walking in Faith*. It'll be a day to encourage your faith and renew your spirit —through actionable biblical messages, testimonies, worship, shopping, and fellowship! The cost is \$45 (in advance). To find out more and to register yourself and your friends, visit [WCTL.org](http://WCTL.org). SCHOLARSHIPS MAY BE AVAILABLE. PLEASE SEE KRIS LOEFFLER AND/OR LEANNE MORTON.



## Why Lent? Why does it last 40 days?

Lent is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. Lent comes from the Anglo Saxon word *lencten*, meaning "lengthen" and refers to the lengthening days of spring. The forty days represents the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan and preparing to begin his ministry.

Lent is a time of repentance, fasting, and preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-examination and reflection. In the early church, Lent began as a period of fasting and preparation for baptism by new converts and then became a time of penance by all Christians. Today, Christians focus on relationship with God, growing as disciples and extending ourselves, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of ourselves for others.

Sundays in Lent are not counted in the forty days because each Sunday represents a "mini-Easter." This is why you will see the designation "Sunday in Lent" rather than "Sunday of Lent" in the naming of these Sundays. On each Lord's Day in Lent, while Lenten fasts continue, the reverent spirit of Lent is tempered with joyful anticipation of the Resurrection.

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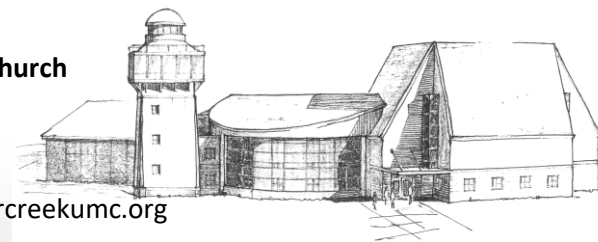


Our Neighbors Place provides shelter utilizing volunteers from multiple congregations on a rotating basis to meet the needs of the homeless during the cold months of winter. **South Harborcreek UMC is proud to participate and is looking for volunteers for March 10. There are sign-up sheets in the narthex.**

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*Welcome! If you are visiting with us today, we extend a warm welcome. Each guest is considered special here at South Harborcreek Church and we are thankful you chose to be with us! We hope this will be a meaningful time of worship for you.*

## THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH IS TO MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE

**WORLD** by proclaiming the good news of God's grace and by exemplifying Jesus' command to love God and neighbor, thus seeking the fulfillment of God's reign and realm in the world. God uses the church to save persons, heal relationships, transform social structures, and spread spiritual holiness, thereby changing the world.

We make disciples as we:

**PROCLAIM** the gospel, seek, welcome and gather persons into the body of Christ;

**LEAD** persons to commit their lives to God through baptism by water and the spirit and profession of faith in Jesus Christ;

**NURTURE** persons in Christian living through worship, and the sacraments, spiritual disciplines;

**SEND** persons into the world to live lovingly and justly as servants of Christ by healing the sick, feeding the hungry, caring for the stranger, free the oppressed being and becoming compassionate, caring presence, and working to develop social structures that are consistent with the gospel;

**CONTINUE** the mission of seeking, welcoming, and gathering persons into the community of the body of Christ.