

CHAPEL CHIMES

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The Lent Season- What are you giving up? In the United Methodist tradition we celebrate the season of Lent. This year it begins Wednesday February 17th, which is known as Ash Wednesday, and continues for 40 days (excluding Sundays) until Easter Sunday. During Lent, we enter into a season of reflection and repentance.



Focusing on the suffering of Christ. It is always a good thing to focus upon what Jesus has done for us and to focus on our relationship with Him. Usually we hear of folks giving up something as a sacrifice for Lent. Maybe to relate to the sacrifice Jesus made fasting in the wilderness for 40 days. It seems many folks respond to it for many different reasons. There have been times that I fasted from food on certain days during Lent. One thing I try to do in fasting, and that is fast from other things other than food. For example, maybe fasting from certain things like, T.V., Facebook, social media, etc... Whatever I fast from I want to do it to have more time with Jesus in prayer and reading the Bible. I have a challenge for all of us at Randall's Chapel UMC. I would love for us during this Lent season to give more time to reading our Bibles. Fast from something and give that time to reading from the gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Take some time everyday, or 4 days a week and schedule time to read from your Bibles. If your going to give up something for Lent think of replacing it with time with the Lord reading the Bible and prayer.

Because of His grace, Pat

News and Announcements



BIRTHDAYS



2/1 TREVOR SMITH
2/2 BETTY WOOD
2/5 ANDY WADKINS
2/6 WENDY WILSON
2/7 CLAYTON GRIDER
DEBBIE LIVESAY
2/12 LISA RICKER
2/15 KELSI WILSON
2/17 SHEILA WADKONS
2/18 KYLE WENDLICK
2/20 KELLY WALKER
2/22 GAVIN GARDNER
2/23 KAITLYN BIRK
2/26 JENNA RICHEY
2/27 SIERRA SMITH
TERRY KUTAY

2-2 United Methodist Women's Meeting, 10 a.m.
No Grief Share this month
2-3 No Bible Study this month
2-7 Communion Sunday
2-14 Happy Valentine's Day!
2-14 Ash Wednesday Service at 6:30 p.m.
2-21 First Sunday in Lent

Grief Support Group



Theresa Kilgro has been leading a great support group for a couple of years here at Randall's Chapel. This group meets on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. until 12

*noon. If you have had the passing of a love one, let me encourage you to check out this ministry and group to find some good support and encouragement. Either contact Theresa or just show up on Tuesday. You can contact the church office if you have any questions. **Due to the pandemic there will be no meetings this month. We hope to be able to start back in March.***

United Methodist Women's Meeting – Tuesday, February 2nd at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. We are meeting in the Sanctuary to allow sitting 6 feet apart from one another. Please bring a mask to wear. Looking forward to seeing all who are able to come.



Children's Message -

Once again, we are providing a Children's Message during our worship time. We would like for the children when coming to the front for this time together to wear their mask. We know that social distancing will not be enforced in this group, so if you are okay with this, send your little ones up front for their Children's Message time.

Thanks to you ladies who are being a part of this team.

February Leaders -

2-7 Sheila Morris, 2-14 Janet Matthews, 2-21 Lisa Lusk, 2-28 Kelly Ellis, Sonya Shook is also our backup leader



Children's Message



Life Resource Services of
Jackson Co.

We are open Monday,
Wednesday, and Friday from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

February Collection:

Bottled Water, brown lunch bags, 30 gallon trash bags,
sandwich and gallon size ziplock bags.

We can always use volunteers to help.

Thank You for your support.

Discipleship Now - Come join us on
Wednesday Nights at 6:00, as we get into the
Bible and discuss the answers to our questions.
It's laid back and you're welcome to join us.
This has been temporarily postponed.
**If anyone would be willing to lead this study
please contact the church office.**

Because I Am Loved

The Apostle Paul

But now let me show you a way of life that is best of all. If I could speak all the languages of earth and of angels, but didn't love others, I would only be a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. 1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:1 NLT

Doing something in order to be loved is a trap, but doing something because I am loved is incredibly freeing.

Doing something so that we'll be loved is a trap many of us can get caught in. When I do something because I'm trying to get someone else to notice me, appreciate me, say something to build me up, or respect me more, my motives get skewed. I become very me-focused. I put unrealistic expectations on myself and the other person. And I can get stinkin' angry when I don't feel adequately noticed, appreciated, or respected.

But doing something because I am loved is incredibly freeing. Instead of looking at a relationship from the vantage point of what I stand to gain, I look instead at what I have the opportunity to give. I am God-focused and love-directed. I keep my expectations in check. And I am able to lavish on others the grace I know I so desperately need. I live free from regret, with clarity of heart, mind, and soul.

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings. And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. 1 Peter 5:6-10

Isn't it interesting how much easier it is to apply Scripture when we're doing it because we're loved? Consider how this applies to the passage from 1 Peter:

Because I am loved, I can humble myself. When I'm trying to be loved, I must build myself up to look better.

Because I am loved, I can cast all my anxiety on Him. When I'm trying to be loved, I cast all my anxiety on my performance.

Because I am loved, I resist Satan and stand firm in my faith. When I'm trying to be loved, I listen to Satan and stand shaky in my feelings.

Because I am loved, I know God will use trials to make me stronger. When I'm trying to be loved, I wonder why God would allow trials.

Because I am loved. That's when my motives stay pure and my heart stays grounded in the comfort and assurance of God's never-changing love.

Lysa TerKeurst - Made to Crave Devotional



FEBRUARY

Sunday

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Worship
10:00 a.m.



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United Methodist
Women's
Meeting 10:00

No Grief Support

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No Discipleship
Now

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Worship,
10:00 a.m.



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No Grief Support

Ash Wednesday
Service at
6:30 p.m.



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First Sunday in Lent

Worship,
10:00 a.m.

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No Grief Support

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No Discipleship
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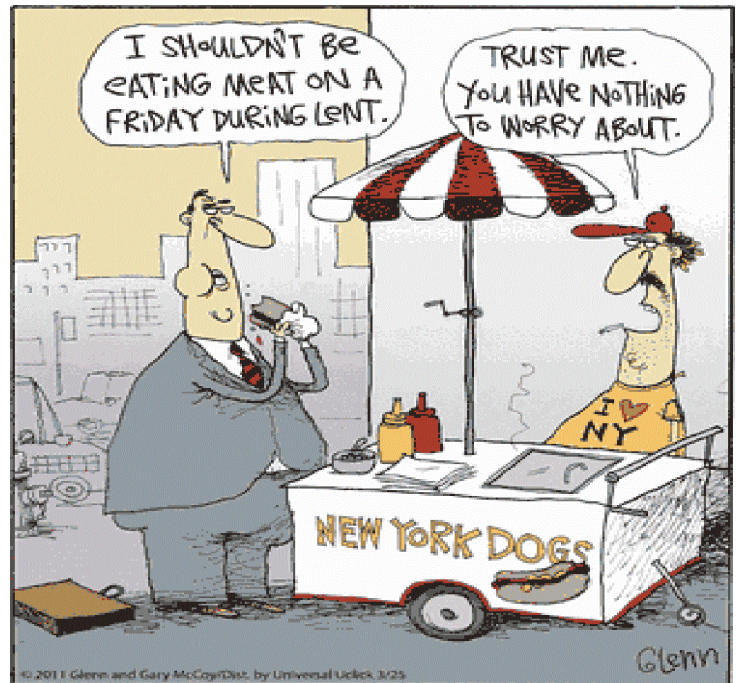
Worship,
10:00 a.m.



THE FUNNY PAGE



"These are vegetables, mother. You wouldn't want me to eat something I've given up for Lent, would you?"





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WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY
NEW TIME
WORSHIP 10:00

WEDNESDAY
ADULT BIBLE STUDY 6 PM

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COMMENTS.....
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