

*Faith United Methodist Church*

*1616 Blue Avenue*

*Zanesville, Ohio 43701*



## **From the Pastor's Desk**

Dear Friends,

It seems like forever since we have gathered together in the sanctuary and worshiped. Gradually, things are improving in our community and state. Many of our members have already received one or both vaccines. Thankfully, two weeks after your second vaccine, you should be immune to Covid-19. We have learned a lot about keeping ourselves and others safe. I am confident that as long as we continue to social distance in worship and wear our masks, we can safely return to worship beginning on Palm Sunday, March 28, 2021! We have not yet made a decision on Holy Week services, but the leadership team and I are rejoicing that we will be able to gather physically on Easter Sunday!

As we return to in-person worship, remember that not everyone has received their vaccine. This includes your pastor, most of the worship leaders, and our audio/visual team. I know that if you have been vaccinated, you will want to sit together, talk with each other, etc. However, there are a few things I want to emphasize:

## **From the Pastors Desk cont.**

1. We will observe safety protocols whenever we are in the church building. This includes both wearing masks and social distancing.
2. We will continue to live stream our worship services on Facebook and Webex.
3. Please be aware that those who have not been vaccinated will be extra intentional about staying at a distance, and it is not because we enjoy it, but because we want to keep ourselves and our families safe.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to ask me or any of our church leadership. If we don't have an answer, we will seek to get it for you.

This Lent we focus our worship on "Recovery": recovery of our individual lives, recovery of our sense of community, recovery of the workforce, recovery of our physical, spiritual, and mental health, etc. One of the choruses we sing each week is titled Make Us Holy, Make Us Whole:

In your love, make us whole.

May we rest in your compassion.

Calm the lost, weary soul

in the warmth of your love.

May your peace fill our hearts.

May we know the love of Jesus.

By your grace, you console.

## **Prayer List**

*Bill Dougherty*

*Dennis Cebulsky*

*Thea and Mark Crawmer*

*Chris DeGarmo*

*Marlene Farley*

*David Inman*

*Janice Moore*

*Karen Norman*

*Jim Peadon*

*JoAnne Peadon*

*Isabel Ross*

*Randy Schreiber*

*Barb Tignor*

## **Medical Faith Shut-ins:**

*Henrietta Hurst*

*Kathleen McCutcheon*

## **Expressions of Sympathy**

◇ *The family of Betty Weichert*

◇ *Bryan and Alison Karling*

Deuteronomy 32:2 Let my teaching fall like rain  
and my words descend like dew, like showers on  
new grass, like abundant rain on tender plants.

## April Birthdays

Apr. 2 Colt Maxwell

Apr. 7 Amy Wolfe

Apr. 9 Peg Beitzel

Apr. 12 Tori Farmer

Apr. 13 Julie Wolfe

Apr. 13 Greg Beitzel

Apr. 16 Charlotte Cole

Apr. 23 Karson Hatfield

Apr. 26 A.J. Harper

Apr. 28 Pastor Joy Wigal

Apr. 28 Karen Graham

Apr. 29 Kurt Wolfe

## April Anniversary

Apr. 20 Randy & Jeri Schreiber



Hosea 6:3 Let us acknowledge the LORD; let us press on to acknowledge him. As surely as the sun rises, he will appear; he will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth."

## From the Pastors Desk cont.

Make us holy, make us whole.

May God's healing continue in each and all of our lives.

In Christ,

Pastor Joy Wigal



## Beauty Of The Month Of March

### Both Winter And Spring

As winter's cold days and longer nights end, and the last of snow and ice melt away, there is a short window of time, a month that shares itself with winter and spring, March. Although it only has 31 days, so much change happens to the earth, weather and nature. March makes her presence known, with her high pitch song of whistling winds, the wild gusty breezes, her clouds and sky become full of white like fleece set in deep blue sky, shorter days, longer nights. March sings out, waking Spring!

## United Methodist Women

The ladies of New Hope Circle will meet April 11 at 6:30 via Webex. Larisa Harper will host.

### Serving

If you are interested in serving Sunday mornings either traditionally or in new and creative ways, please contact Marsha Kelly.



*Philippians 2:1-2*

*"Connecting Women, Transforming Lives...  
Together with One Heart and One Purpose"*

Deuteronomy 11:14 then I will send rain on your land in its season, both autumn and spring rains, so that you may gather in your grain, new wine and olive oil.

### March Birthdays

Mar.	3	Marianne Maxwell
Mar.	3	Carol Norton
Mar.	7	Juanita Mohler
Mar.	7	Susie Dunlap
Mar.	8	Keith Wolfe
Mar.	9	Gary Graham
Mar.	11	Beth Dougherty
Mar.	11	Amanda Dunlap
Mar.	11	Megan Dunlap
Mar.	16	Kyler Moore
Mar.	17	Evan Wolfe
Mar.	19	Henrietta Hurst
Mar.	19	Steve Farmer
Mar.	23	Dee Clark
Mar.	25	JoAnne Peadon
Mar.	29	Roberta Covert

### March Anniversary

Mar. 21 Keith & Barb Wolfe



James 5:7 Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains.