

Quilters. The Quilters meet Tuesday at 10:00 and 7:00 p.m. and Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

Covered Dish Lunch. Please join us next Sunday for our 3rd Sunday Covered Dish Lunch following the service. Bring your favorite dish to share with others.

Yard Sale. The Men's Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, March 18th at 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Please start collecting your unwanted items at home to make this a great sale. We will be setting up on March 16 & 17th and invite all of you to come out in help set up and price.

Morning Circle. The Morning Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 21st at 10:00 a.m. in the quilter's room.

Inspiration Group. The Inspiration Group will meet on Thursday, March 23rd.

Passion /Palm Sunday. Sunday, April 9th is Passion/ Palm Sunday, Reverend Jim Patterson will be our leader.

Holy Thursday. Come join us on Thursday, April 13th for our Maundy Thursday Service at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Reverend Edward McCutcheon will be our leader.

Easter Egg Hunt. Join us on Saturday, April 15th at 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon for our Easter Egg Hunt.

Easter Sunrise Service. Our Easter Sunrise Service will be held on Easter Morning, April 16th at 7:00 a.m. and our regular service at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Edward McCutcheon will lead the service.

Volunteers Needed

2017 South Annual Conference

to be Hosted by the Greenville District at the TD Center

Sunday, June 4 through Wednesday, June 7

As the Host District we need to provide Hospitality for the Annual Conference

This includes: Greeters and Ushers, Parking Help, Information tables, Registration Tables, Signage for breakout groups and events. We need volunteers for these positions. HUNDREDS of VOLUNTEERS!!

Please visit this website to volunteer for a day or for the whole conference.

<https://fs21.formsite.com/robertcox/form11/index.html>

For more information you may email or call Rev. Robert Cox at rlcox@umcsc.org, 864-554-2008.



March 12	Mark Wells
March 13	Henry Philpot
March 15	Rebecca P. Surett
March 16	Kay Moorehead
March 17	Heather Heckman
March 18	Brad Armstrong



March 13	Martha & Roy Oxley
March 18	Jayne & Jose Ferrer

Jonathon Holston
Resident Bishop

Dr. George Howle
District Superintendent

Enrique Gordon
Pastor

Joan Kotrady
Director of Music

Joan Kotrady
Organist

Debbie Capps
Admin. Assistant

Pat Teat
Membership & Financial Secretary

Terri McCloud
Treasurer

Lynnsey Nalley
Acolyte

Jane Walker &
Kristie Argo
Nursery

Corky Holman
Trustee of the Month

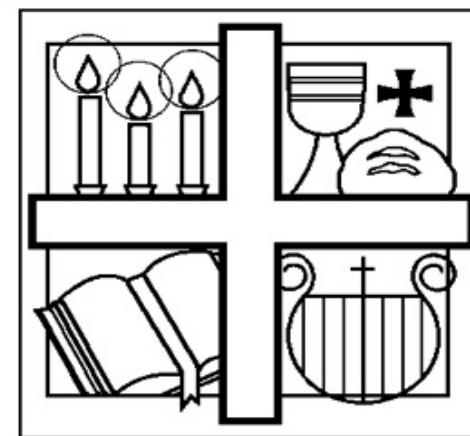
Terri McCloud
& Carolyn Earnest
Children's Church

Terri McCloud
Children's Message

Tony Earnest
Stewardship

Debbie Capps
Altar Guild

Eddie Hughes
Jim Humphreys
Corky Holman
Ronnie Hunter
Ushers



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**2nd Sunday in Lent
March 12, 2017
10:30 a.m.**

Vision – A place where all of God's children can feel welcome and are able to grow mentally, emotionally, physically, and above all spiritually in Jesus Christ.

Mission – Berea Friendship Church is to be intentional about making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by making space for God to work and being a church that is in ministry with the members and the community.

Welcome to Berea Friendship United Methodist Church!

If you are new to our community, we hope you will participate in our service as you are comfortable. An asterisk (*) indicates that you are invited to stand as you are able. **Bold print** indicates that you are invited to join the community in reading aloud those passages that are indicated.

Please take a moment to sign the Worship Attendance Pad that is found in your pew.

Welcome to this assembly of the people of God!

ENTRANCE

THE PRELUDE **Panis Angelicus (O Lord Most Holy)** Cesar Frank

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY CHIMES

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP **We Walk by Faith** Hugh Wilson

*HYMN - No. 98 **To God Be the Glory**

*OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray

O God of redemption, who sent your Son to share your redeeming love with your children: Keep us in fellowship with Christ that the faith we profess may never make us immune to your saving work that you are trying to accomplish in us.

Help us by self-denial, prayer, and meditation to prepare our hearts for deeper repentance and a better life. In our Savior's name we pray. Amen.

*ACT OF PRAISE- pg. 844 Psalm 121:1-8 Response 2 United Methodist Hymnal

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Let us pray

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

FIRST LESSON –pg. 1163, 1829 **Philippians 3:17-4:1** Lay Servant

CHILDREN'S MOMENT *(ages 3-5th grade are dismissed at this time for Children's Church.)* Terri McCloud

*SECOND LESSON - pg. 1033, 1621 **Luke 13:31-35**

CHORAL ANTHEM **This Lonesome Valley** Nancy Price and Don Besig

SERMON "Saving Resistance" Rev. Edward McCutcheon

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

CONCERNS AND PRAYER

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - 881

OFFERTORY **O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go** Albert L. Peace

*DOXOLOGY – No. 95

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN – No. 369 **Blessed Assurance +**

*EXTINGUISHING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION **Go Now in Peace** Natalie Sleeth

(The congregation is invited to sing)

Go now in peace, go now in peace,

May the love of God surround you everywhere,

Everywhere you may go.

*POSTLUDE **O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing** Arranged / Arison

Congregational Favorite +

OUR PRAYER COVENANT:

Our Prayer focuses for this new conference year will continue to be:

- The direction in which God is leading the church to do ministry in the church, in the community, and the world
- The people God will send our way to be in ministry with us
- The new and existent ministries that will be the cornerstone of Berea Friendship Church

Spanish Worship. The Spanish Worship hour is at 1:00 every Sunday afternoon.

PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS:

These hours will start again when Pastor Enrique returns from his leave in May 2017.

Sunday – Christian Spiritual Formation/Worship; Visitations

Monday – Sabbath Time

Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and Community Outreach from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – 10:30, CDC children's church, Office hours 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Sermon preparation from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Thursday office hours 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.—Community Outreach 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. except last Thursday of the month

(Prayer and Reflection day)

Friday – Family Time

Saturday- Family Time and Worship Preparation; Please call the church office to make an appointment.

19 things to Give Up during Lent

Newsletter Deadline. Monday, April 20th is the deadline for the April Newsletter.

PRAYER LIST. Mildred Bray, Mary Childs, Troy Clements, Carolyn Hunter, Vera Hunt, Jane-Hunt Grady, Jackie Lumsden, Andi Nichols, Dot Nichols, Joe Philpot, Margie Philpot, Mildred Pollard, Glenn Wells, Allen Zorn. Special prayers for Glenda Argo and Carolyn Hunter's mother Doris Hollingsworth who is now recuperating between the homes of her daughters. Special prayers for a quick healing for Bobbie Bogan she got a great report from the doctor! Special prayers for Glenn Wells who is at Heartland Health in Rm. 426-B. Vera Hunt has been in the hospital but is at home. Bob Cehen is in Memorial Hospital in Room 4218 special prayers for him and the family, Kathleen Griffith, Bob and Randall.

Lenten Offering. Lent Offering Envelopes are located in the pews, please take one and give (whatever the Lord places in your heart to give), this will go toward our missions and outreach.

For Your Information.

Attendance report for Sunday, March 5th:

S.S. – 38; Worship – 83

Financial report for Sunday, March 5th:

Received for Budget \$4,917.00

Received for Meals on Wheels - \$5.00

Received donation from Esperanza - \$34.10

Received for Memorials for Ann Donaldson \$125.00

Received for Utilities from CDC - \$1,000.00

Greenville District Day Apart

The Greenville District of the UMW will be having its annual Day Apart program on Saturday, April 1, 2017 at Lee Rd. United Methodist Church. Registration will start at 8:30 a.m. There will be a worship service and then everyone will attend a workshop. The program will conclude with lunch and the registration fee is \$10.00 per person.

The workshops are:

Jewelry Making (\$10.00 fee for supplies)

Chair Yoga

Mission In Action (learning about and making washable pads for women less fortunate)

(possibly may be charge for supplies for this class)

Women Overcoming Crisis

Healing Through the Hymnal

Bible Study (over flow class)

Our very own, Dawn Stewart will be leading the jewelry making class. Anne-Marie Failor is in charge of coordinating this event for the Greenville District.

Deadline for registering is March 1st. If you would like to register for the event and a workshop, please contact Dawn Stewart, Anne-Marie Failor, or Vickie Failor

1. **Fear:** God is on my side. In Him I am more than a conqueror. (See Romans 98)
2. **The need to please everyone:** I can't please everyone anyway. There is only one I need to strive to please.
3. **Envy:** I am blessed. My value is not found in my possessions, but in my relationship with my Heavenly Father.
4. **Impatience:** God's timing is the perfect timing.
5. **Sense of entitlement:** The world does not owe me anything. God does not owe me anything. I live in humility and grace.
6. **Bitterness and Resentment:** The only person I am hurting by holding onto these is myself.
7. **Blame:** I am not going to pass the buck. I will take responsibility for my actions.
8. **Gossip and Negativity:** I will put the best construction on everything when it comes to other people. I will also minimize my contact with people who are negative and toxic and bring other people down.
9. **Comparison:** I have my own unique contribution to make and there is no one else like me.
10. **Fear of failure:** You don't succeed without experiencing failure. Just make sure you fall forward.
11. **A spirit of poverty:** Believe with God that there is always more than enough and never a lack.
12. **Feelings of unworthiness:** You are fearfully and wonderfully made by your creator. (see Psalm 139)
13. **Doubt:** Believe God has a plan for you that is beyond anything you could imagine. The future is brighter than you could ever realize.
14. **Self-pity:** God comforts us in our sorrow so that we can comfort others with the comfort we ourselves have received from God.
15. **Retirement:** As long as you are still breathing, you are here for a reason. You have a purpose to influence others for Christ. That does not come to an end until the day we die.
16. **Excuses:** A wise man once said, if you need an excuse, any excuse will do.
17. **Lack of counsel:** Wise decisions are rarely made in a vacuum.
18. **Pride:** Blessed are the humble.
19. **Worry:** God is in control and worrying will not help.