

Sewickley United Methodist Church

March 2022 Newsletter

From The Pastor's Heart

If you are someone who collects a lot of books, you can understand the value of bookends. Bookends are typically placed at the beginning and the end or otherwise stated, on both ends (because what's the beginning and what's the end?) of a row of books. They help to keep the books upright and orderly.

I like to think of Christmas and Easter as bookends and we are the books. Christ is born, lived, died, and resurrected in that time frame. In our lives not a whole lot of time passes between December and April, but in the church life we are moved quickly from one side of heaven to the other, from birth to resurrection.

This time frame is very important to have. At Advent we spend time in preparation for the birth of Jesus, and soon we will be in Lent spending our time on our journey with Jesus to the cross in repentance and self-denial. Both seasons are important in our lives so, like a row of books, we too can remain upright.

In our growth group, "Immersion Bible Study: Genesis," we are learning that there are many years that pass from one significant event in scripture to the other significant event. We might call this the ordinary time. It is often in these times that the Israelites fall away from God. They find themselves out of sync with God's will and doing their own things. It is during these times that we are told the hearts of people turn selfish and greedy. The word evil has even been used to describe the thoughts and motives of hearts during these seasons (See Genesis 6:5). That is a common temptation for us as well. It is in the ordinary times, when not much is happening and we are not striving or preparing for something specific, that we tend to get a little bored. In our boredom, our self-control begins to slip a little bit. Before we realize it we are engaged in activities that might not leave us standing upright like we are meant to do when following the will of God.

This is why it is so important to observe the seasons of Advent and Lent. In taking the call to spiritual disciplines seriously during these times we build up our spines, our covers, the protective layers over our hearts to withstand the long ordinary season to come.

I invite you to join me this Lent, which begins on March 2nd, as we recognize Ash Wednesday at St. Matthews AME Zion Church (details found on page 2) to take serious the observance of Lent. Join me in making a commitment to a new spiritual discipline in your daily life that leads you to spend more time focusing on Jesus, the protector of your heart.

A list of Spiritual Disciplines could include: time set aside in prayer each day, time set aside in bible study each day, fasting from a meal so you have time to spend focusing on God, taking a daily walk to observe God's beautiful creation. If you notice all of these things require your time. That is why we consider this a season of self-denial. You give something up to make the time to do these things. However, when you give something up to spend time with God you get way more back than you had in the first place.

What will you do with your time this Lenten season?

From one light to another,

Pastor Hannah Loughman

LENT

We will be gathering with our brothers and sisters from St. Matthews AME Zion and St. Paul's Lutheran Churches over the season of Lent. Though it has been common practice, out of an abundance of caution, we will not be sharing meals this year. We will however share our hearts in worship together.

Ash Wednesday and the 6 Sundays of Lent

Ash Wednesday, March 2, 6 pm

St. Matthews AME Zion

Preaching: Pastor Hannah

The First Saying: "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do." Luke 23:32-38

Beginning at 9 am, the imposition of ashes will be available at Wolcott Park (corner of Beaver and Broad in Sewickley)

March 6, 6 pm – St. Paul's Lutheran

Preaching: Pastor Hannah

The Second Saying: "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise" Luke 23:39-43



March 13, 6 pm – Sewickley UMC

Preaching: Brother Alan Miliner

The Third Saying: Text: "Woman, behold thy son." John 19:25-27

March 20, 6 pm – St. Matthews AME Zion

Preaching: Pastor Asplin

The Fourth Saying: "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Matthew 27:45-46 & Mark 15:33-34

March 27, 6 pm – St. Paul's Lutheran

Preaching: Rev Rankin

The Fifth Saying: "I thirst." John 19:28-30

April 3, 6 pm – Sewickley UMC

Preaching: Pastor Ryan

The Sixth Saying: "It is finished." John 19:30



Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday: April 10 Triumphant Entry

9 am Contemporary Service with Palm Branches and Coats; Kids procession

11 am Traditional Service with Palm Branches and Coats; Kids procession

April 10, 6 pm – St. Matthews AME Zion

Preaching: Pastor Charisa — The Seventh Saying "Father, into Your hands I commit My Spirit" Luke 23:46

Maundy Thursday: April 14, 6 pm

Service at St. Paul's Lutheran
Last Supper and Foot Washing

Good Friday: April 15

The church sanctuary will be open for prayer and reflection between 9 am and 4 pm. Please let Pastor Hannah know if you wish to have her pray with you.

Cross Walk, 5:30 pm

St. Paul's Lutheran to Sewickley UMC

Tenebrae Service, 6 pm, Sewickley UMC

Easter Sunday: April 17

Sunrise Service, 6:30 am, Sewickley Cemetery

Preaching: Pastor Ryan

9 am Contemporary Service

11 am Traditional Service

UMCOR SUNDAY (ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING) OFFERING

On March 27th we will join with United Methodists throughout the country to celebrate the UMCOR Day of Giving. Your generous donation will make a difference in the lives of communities and individuals whose lives have been upset by storms, wars, fires, floods, displacement and climate change. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) responds to U.S. and international disasters, addresses diseases and poverty, assists refugees and immigrants, provides clean water and works to reduce hunger. UMCOR doesn't just respond to emergencies for the short term. Working with local organizations, churches in the community and United Methodist volunteers, UMCOR builds relationships and helps communities rebuild during the months and years following a

disaster. This UMCOR Sunday offering helps to pay UMCOR's "cost of doing business," allowing UMCOR to keep the promise that 100% of any gift to a specific UMCOR project will go towards that project and not administrative costs. UMCOR would be unable to do this work without your support. Please mark your donations "UMCOR Sunday" and submit them through your regular offering or EasyTithe. For more information about UMCOR see umcmmission.org/umcor.



Worship Opportunities - March 2022



Contemporary Worship Service: 9 am
 Traditional Worship Service: 11 am
 Our Worship Services are live streamed on
sewickleyumc.org and [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com).

The recorded services are also available later on Sunday afternoon.



March 6, 2022
First Sunday in Lent
Communion

Liturgist: Martha Boward

Scripture Lesson: Exodus 3:1-15 and 4:1-17

Message: "Anxiety: You're Not Welcome Here"

We need a grounding. As our knees shake and our heart beats a little too fast, as our palms sweat and our head pounds, we need something solid to lean upon. In scripture we see the first case of social anxiety from one of the greatest prophets, Moses. The thought of going in front of others made him anxious and tongue tied, so God gave him a grounding. God gave him what he needed, and he found the courage to do what God asked him to do. Join us as we discover what grounded Moses and what can help us to be the mouthpiece of God even when our bodies' responses feel like they are betraying our Spirit.

March 13, 2022
Second Sunday in Lent
Handbell Choir, 11 am Service
Liturgist: Laura Powell

Scripture Lessons: 1 Samuel 23:1-12 and 23:13-29

Message: "Worry and Fear: You're Not Welcome Here"

Worry and fear are very real emotions in our lives. They can be the very emotions that cause us to make changes in our behavior. Those changes just might be the thing that protects us from danger or drives us to be better providers for our family. On the other hand, they can be emotions that deceive us and lead us to stay in places and circumstances in life that don't hold any real joy. Join us as we look at the great King David and how he allowed fear to keep him in hiding and what it was that brought him out of it. This same proclamation awaits you!

March 20, 2022
Third Sunday in Lent
Liturgist: Mitch Hortert

Scripture Lessons: Jonah 2 and Jonah 4

Message: "Resentment: You're Not Welcome Here"

It is just not fair! They didn't work as hard as I did. They don't deserve that. What good have they ever done. It is just not fair! Are these words you have ever said? Sometimes we slip into an attitude of resentment toward others. Instead of just being happy for God's grace in their lives, we become bitter and resentful of the good we see. Much like not forgiving someone else, harboring resentment only prevents us from being free to live in peace and harmony. It is our problem not theirs. And we are here to say resentment's not welcome here.

March 27, 2022
Fourth Sunday in Lent
Liturgist: Susie Moffett

Scripture Lessons: 1 Kings 17:1-9 and 19:3-18

Message: Jack Moffett "Grief: You're Not Welcome Here"

There is a type of grief that we can find ourselves overwhelmed by due to something that has happened. There is a grief that might even lead us into withdrawing from others because we just don't know what to do with it. But there is also a way out of those places. From mighty displays of power to a desire to give up on life all together, Elijah finds himself pulled out of his grief and onto a path of purpose by God. What does God use? God uses a whisper. God speaks in a quiet and gentle voice. You too are worthy of a whisper to wash over you and help you onto brighter days.

If you find that you are struggling with your mental health, or are experiencing symptoms of anxiety or depression, I encourage you to reach out to a mental health professional for treatment. Psychologytoday.com is a great website to find mental health professionals in the area. ~~Pastor Hannah

**CALL BEFORE A CRISIS
 BECOMES A CRISIS.**

ANY DAY, ANY TIME, ANY REASON.
1-888-7-YOU-CAN (1-888-796-8226)

resolve is a partnership between Allegheny County
 and UPMC Western Psychiatric Hospital.



The **HANDBELL CHOIR** is looking for a couple more people to ring with us. If you love music and are curious as to how 11 people and 37 bells make such beautiful music, we practice on Thursday nights, from 6:15-7:15 in the sanctuary, and we play for the second service once a month, October - May. Stop by and give it a try - no previous experience required! If you have questions, you can speak with anyone in the choir or contact Pamela Mayo at pemayo@verizon.net.



We continue as a **WOMEN'S SHARING GROUP** on Tuesdays at 10 am in the church library. Our meetings will combine 3 parts: Qi Gong soothing physical activity; faith study; and warm conversations with prayer and care. **EVERY WOMAN IS WELCOME!!**



COME PRAY WITH US — We, with Pastor Hannah's encouragement, have launched a monthly Tuesday morning prayer group. Our next gathering will be **March 8, time to be determined**, in the church parlor. Our initial purpose is to pray

for church leadership, missions and ministries, opportunities and challenges, as well as members of the church family. There are no boundaries, so our prayer could extend to the community, the nation and the world. We pray aloud, but that's not a requirement. Quiet prayer is welcome. Your presence is an encouragement. We usually have at least five people, and we never gather for more than an hour. If you can't join us, feel free to submit prayer requests. For more information, or to submit a request, see Bill Utterback (utterbac@earthlink.net) or Pastor Hannah.

The United Methodist Women (UMW) will meet on **Sunday, March 13**, immediately following the traditional service for a luncheon meeting. Please bring your own lunch and join us in the Simpson Room. Beverages and dessert will be provided. We will have our annual Prayer and Self-Denial Service led by Vice President Wilma Hamilton. All are welcome.



CELEBRATING OUR GRADUATES — We are looking for those who will be graduating from high school and college. We would like to honor them during the worship service in June. So far we know **Spencer Clifford** will be graduating from high school and **Allison Lenhardt** will be graduating from college. If we are missing your graduate or a name is misspelled please let the church office or Sandra Lane know so we can make the correction.

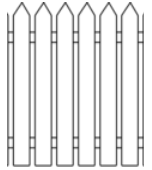


DISASTER RESPONSE MINISTRY TRAINING: Saturday, March 19, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm at Zion UMC, 438 Bear Creek Rd, Sarver, PA 16055

ERT certification training is an UMCOR training for Disaster Response ministries of Volunteers in Mission. The Disaster Response Ministry is a way for us to go out of the Church Building and provide a Caring Christian Presence to the survivors of Natural Disasters to help with such tasks as cleaning out flood damaged homes and tarping roofs, primarily within the Western PA Conference area. There is a need for volunteers to become ERT certified, as training hasn't been available since late 2019. You can learn more about this ministry [here](#). Contact WPAUMC Disaster Response Coordinator David Kissinger (814-243-3254; disasterresponse@wpaumc.org) for additional information or with your questions. [Register here](#).

PLAYGROUND FENCE PICKETS AVAILABLE

You have an opportunity to leave a lasting sign of your support toward the church/preschool playground with a personalized fence picket to be installed this spring. Make your \$50 tax deductible check payable to "Learning Tree Playground Fund" and submit it with your completed form **by March 11**. Please submit forms and payment to Sandra Lane or the church office. Any questions, call Sandra @412-841-7169. Forms can be found on the table in the back of the sanctuary and [online here](#).



LENTEN FINES FOR THE NYADIRE CONNECTION (TNC) – By following the Lenten Calendar found in the back of the sanctuary and [online here](#) you can help the Nyadire United Methodist Mission refurbish its Chindenga rural health clinic in northeastern Zimbabwe, Africa. When the project is completed, the clinic will provide much-needed water, electricity and healthcare for thousands of rural patients. In addition to the Chindenga clinic, the Nyadire Mission offers a hospital, five other clinics, primary and secondary schools, an orphanage and many other services to the community. Please submit your donations marked "Lenten Fines" via the offering plate or EasyTithe by April 24th. For more information about The Nyadire Connection see www.nyadire.org.



Vitalant will conduct **BLOOD DRIVES** on Sundays, **April 24th & September 25th** right here at SUMC. If you regularly give blood, consider timing your donations so you can participate at SUMC's drives. Some restrictions on who may donate have changed, so if you were once excluded, you are encouraged to call Vitalant to check if you may now donate. For further information on qualifications, please visit vitalant.org or call (877) 25 VITAL.

RUMMAGE SALE FOR MISSIONS — The UMW will host a Sale for Missions on **Saturday, May 6 & 7**. Your donations of new or gently used household items, games, puzzles, books, plants, seasonal clothing items, jewelry, linens, pillows and small pieces of furniture are very much appreciated. The furniture items must be small enough for one woman to lift and carry. Donated items can be brought to the church and placed in the Potato Room. All monies raised support local, national and international mission projects.





FIRST AID FOR MENTAL HEALTH

Clergy, their spouses, church leaders, staff and congregation members are all invited to attend this live, virtual training – March 10 and 24, at no cost. The skills acquired can be applied to many situations, including home, social and professional environments. See the world through the eyes of others. First Aid for Mental Health erases the stigma surrounding mental health and emphasizes that it's OK, not to be OK. It also teaches attendees how to accept their own mental

health struggles without embarrassment or shame. The training teaches how to:

- Identify when you or someone you know may be struggling with mental health
- Start a conversation with someone who is struggling
- Respond with empathy
- Help those who are struggling get the help they need
- Take action to manage your own mental health challenges

For more information and to register, visit the First Aid for Mental Health event page at Wespath.org/r/firstaidmh.

2022 FINANCIAL SUMMARY



	2022 Budget	Budgeted to Date	January	Over or (Under)
TOTAL EXPENSES	279,196.04	24,905.19	21,004.63	(3,900.56)
TOTAL RECEIPTS	279,216.00	24,260.12	22,229.18	(2,030.94)
OVERAGE (DEFICIT)	19.96	(645.07)	1,224.55	

The walk Jesus made toward Jerusalem, toward the events of Holy Week, was a shared experience. It was, by grand design, both a world-changing experience and a community experience.

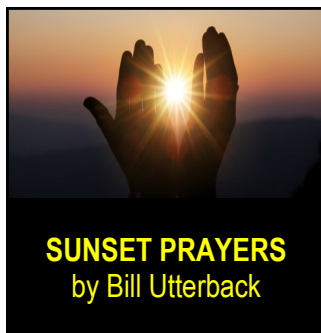
In Luke's Gospel, Jesus turns toward Jerusalem and meets a community of 10 men suffering from leprosy. There's a crowd in Jericho, neighbors standing shoulder to shoulder, when Jesus finds Zacchaeus the tax collector in the tree. There's a crowd accompanying him as he met a beggar along the road to Jerusalem, and a crowd waiting when he entered Jerusalem.

Our Lenten season, which begins March 2, can be a shared experience, a community experience, a shoulder-to-shoulder experience. We will be neighbors walking together with Jesus as He again approaches the cross.

Sewickley UMC will join St. Matthews AME Zion and St. Paul's Lutheran Churches in producing special Lenten worship services on Sunday evenings through Lent. It launches with an Ash Wednesday Service March 2, with Pastor Hannah delivering the message at St. Matthews AME Zion.

Let's pray for our neighbors. Let's pray for our communities.

On **March 6**, as the sun sets at approximately 6:18 pm, from wherever you are, with whomever wants to join you, let's pray together for our neighbors and neighborhoods. If you're in the worship service as the sun sets, you can set aside another time to lift this



prayer. And we can all return to this prayer throughout the Lenten season.

Let's pray for neighbors we love, for neighbors we haven't connected with lately, and for the neighbors we have yet to meet. Let's pray for the oldest and the youngest among our neighbors.

Let's pray for the schools in our neighborhoods.

Let's pray for the churches in our neighborhoods.

Let's pray for our community leaders. Let's pray for our police, our fire departments, and our emergency responders.

Let's pray for the food banks and other agencies that serve our neighborhoods.

Let's pray for the businesses that serve our communities.

Let's ask through prayer for opportunities to connect with neighbors. I have a friend in the SUMC community who looks for a service project to join every Lenten season.

For two years – since March 2020 – we've been living with the impact of the Covid viruses, and our relationships with neighbors and neighborhood have been changed and often diminished. Let's ask for His help to restore and enhance those relationships.

The events of Holy Week served and encouraged the world, but they began in neighborhoods. Let's include our neighbors and neighborhoods in our walk with Jesus to the cross this year.

Lent

2022

first day of lent: MARCH 2

Do something **NICE** for a teacher or pastor.

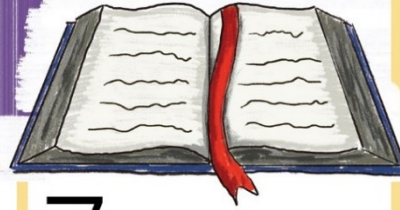
Make a cross with things you find in nature. *two*

Read a Bible story or book.

3

Play your favorite game with someone.

four



5

Give someone a hug.



NO sweets today!

six

7

Learn an Easter song.



8

Make a cottonball lamb & think about how Jesus is the Lamb of God.



Help someone today.

ten

Draw or decorate colorful Easter eggs.

11

Surprise someone with a **SPECIAL NOTE.**

12

14

Pray for someone.



GIVE SOMEONE A COMPLIMENT.

15

16

Help with yardwork or pick up a piece of litter.



13

Draw a picture with chalk outside.



seventeen

Share a meal with someone.

Perform a random act of **KINDNESS.**

18

Download Easter coloring pages, print and color.

19



twenty

Tell God what you are thankful for.

LIST

reasons why you love Easter.

twenty one



22 Draw or purchase an Easter Lily for a friend.

twenty three

Read John 13:1-17 and wash someone's feet.

Have a palm parade around your home.

twenty four

FORGIVE

someone for something they did to you.

twenty six

Talk to someone or think about why we celebrate Easter.

27

Read about Good Friday. (John 19:16-37)

Go on a nature scavenger hunt & find things that remind you of Jesus.



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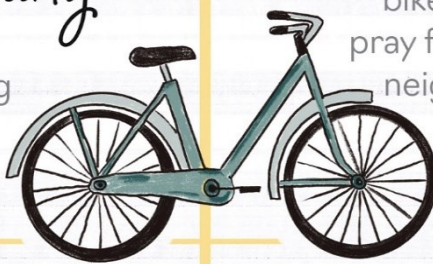
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Draw an Easter picture for your family.

thirty

Make something for someone.

Go on a walk or bike ride & pray for your neighbors.



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Collect items in a basket that remind you of Easter.



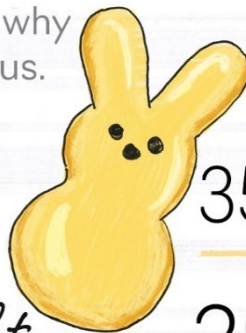
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thirty three

Play a game in the dark with flashlights.

Tell someone why you love Jesus.

34



35

Play stack the Peeps.

(See who can stack the most Peeps in a minute.)

thirty six

GIVE UP

Something for the day.

Make an Easter card.

37

thirty eight

Hold the door open for someone.

39

Read about Jesus' resurrection.

(Matthew 28; Mark 16; Luke 24; John 20)



Attend an Easter service.



Sewickley United Methodist Church
333 Broad St.
Sewickley, PA 15143

Easter Flowers Order Form



To sponsor flowers to adorn the chancel on Easter, you may [order online here](#) or complete this form and bring/mail it to the church office on or before Wednesday, April 6.

PLEASE DON'T INCLUDE PAYMENT WITH YOUR OFFERING. WRITE A SEPARATE CHECK OR PUT YOUR CASH PAYMENT IN A SEPARATE ENVELOPE MARKED "EASTER FLOWERS." IF USING EASYTITHE, PLEASE INCLUDE THE 3% SERVICE FEE.

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Payment: easyTithe Cash Check # _____ Total Amount Enclosed: _____

Indicate below what type of plant(s) you will order:

<input type="checkbox"/> 6 1/2" Pot Mum @ \$ 10.00 ea. # _____ of Plants Colors: <input type="checkbox"/> Yellow <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Purple	<input type="checkbox"/> 6 1/2" Pot Easter Lilies @ \$11.00 ea. # _____ of Plants Color: White—1 stem, 3 blooms & up
<input type="checkbox"/> 6 1/2" Pot Hyacinths @ \$10.00 ea. # _____ of Plants Colors: <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Pink <input type="checkbox"/> Blue	<input type="checkbox"/> 6 1/2" Pot Tulips @ \$10.00 ea. # _____ of Plants Colors: Assorted Colors

To be published in Easter Sunday's Bulletin:

In Honor of: _____ In Memory Of: _____ Given by: _____

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Do you wish to keep plant (s)? Yes No Plants not taken will continue to be used on the chancel

CANCELLATION OF MONTHLY LUNCHEONS

To My Dear Church Family,
 I want to thank the many, many people who have sent me cards. Your words to me have been wonderful and I appreciate all of you for thinking of me.
 Love,
 Sylvia Bajsec



The luncheon committee would like to thank everyone for ordering takeout or dine in meals. We are sorry to say that the March luncheon will be the last one for this year. We will not be resuming the luncheons in the fall. There are several reasons why we can no longer continue with these meals. We are thankful to all who helped by donations, working, cooking and being there to help.
 God Bless you all,
 Luncheon Committee

Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings, will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Sewickley United Methodist Church on **Monday, April 4.**



A package of five screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered:

1. Carotid artery ultrasound to identify plaque buildup in the carotid arteries, a major risk factor for stroke
2. Abdominal aortic aneurysm ultrasound to identify presence of an enlargement in the largest blood vessel in the body
3. An EKG to identify the presence of atrial fibrillation, which increases the risk for stroke
4. Ultrasound of the lower legs to look for plaque buildup known as peripheral artery disease
5. Ultrasound of the shin bone to identify risk for osteoporosis

These 5 vital screenings are offered for only \$149 and take 60-90 minutes to complete. Register at lsa.social/hs, by calling toll free 1-800-679-5192, or text the word "circle" to 797979.



Shirley Graham 3/2
 Bill Ferguson 3/3
 Paige Geason 3/3
 Meg Mayo 3/3
 Liam Spencer 3/8
 Lisa Jankowski 3/10
 Elliana Lewis 3/11
 Scott Matthews 3/11
 Tom Barwell 3/15

Lucia Martinez 3/15
 Murch King 3/19
 Luke Spencer 3/20

Gideon Burnett 3/22
 Sebastian Cymbalak 3/23
 Shirley Sye 3/23
 Steve Grossarth 3/24
 Don Dotterer 3/26
 Krista Ream 3/26
 Ginny Heinzl 3/27
 Chase Ozegovich 3/30
 Joe Lombardo 3/31

If you or a family member is missing from our birthday or anniversary list, please let the office know. We don't want to leave anyone out of special wishes.

Pastor Hannah's availability: I am available Tuesday through Friday, 8:45 am to 4:45 pm. On Sundays I am available following the church service till 4 p.m. If I am not in the office, I can be reached via my cell phone. I am available after-hours on my cell phone for emergencies. My email address is open 24 hours a day and, with the exceptions of Mondays, which is my day off, I will respond in a timely manner.

Church Office: (412) 741-9430
 Pastor's Office: (412) 741-9433
 Cell Phone: (412) 294-7587
 E Mail: pastor@sewickleyumc.org
 Website: www.sewickleyumc.org

SOUP & HUMMUS SALE FOR THE BUILDING OF FAITH

All proceeds from this sale go toward the principal on the building loan.
To order, [click here for the online order form](#), call 412-741-9430 or email (secretary@sewickleyumc.org) or mail/bring your form to the office.

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____


Cash Amount: _____ or Check (made to SUMC) # _____ or EasyTithe Total Amount Enclosed: _____



Choices	Indicate quantity below	
	\$9 Quart	\$6 Pint
Southwestern Bean Soup (Vegetarian): Boca Burger crumbles; Shoepeg corn; Rotel diced tomatoes; kidney, pinto & black beans; taco seasoning, Hidden Valley Ranch Dressing seasoning		
Chicken Gnocchi Soup: Chicken, chicken stock, butter, olive oil, onions, celery, carrots, garlic, flour, 1/2 & 1/2, spinach and potato gnocchi		
French Onion Soup: Beef and chicken broth, olive oil, sweet onions, sherry and spices; croutons and parmesan cheese on the side		
Sandra's Hummus (vegetarian/vegan) Chickpeas, Lemon Juice, Garlic, Tahini & Spices	\$5 for 1/2 pint	

Orders are due by Sunday, March 27 and will be ready for pickup April 7, 8 or 10. Include payment with your order or pay when you pickup your soup or hummus. If using EasyTithe, please include the 3% transaction fee.





Remember our Shut-ins

Please write to our shut-ins and keep them in your prayers. The church office can provide you with contact information.

Sylvia Bajsec
Jim and Olive Chewning
Mignon Emmert
Renee Gittins
Atleah Grubb
Virginia Harriger
Jan Jones
B.J. (Elizabeth) Manzinger
Pat Rudy
Patricia Smith
Shirley Sye
Lura Zaremba

Hurst & Diane Bartley	3/19
Steve & Cara Dotterer	3/21
Hannah and Todd Loughman	3/23
Bill & Laura Kuriger	3/25



Easter Outreach

EASTER FOOD BAGS FOR SEWICKLEY COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Sewickley UMC is collecting Easter Bags for the food pantry. You are asked to take a bag with the grocery list attached, purchase the non-perishable items, and return the filled bag with the list attached. **Completed Easter Bags and cash donations are needed by Sunday, April 10.** Grocery bags with lists are available in the back of the sanctuary and outside the office or use one of the lists below on your own bag or box. **In addition, SUMC is accepting cash donations in order to provide each family with a Giant Eagle gift card, with which the family may purchase perishable items such as ham and eggs.** You may include your cash donation with your regular offering or via EasyTithe – please indicate “Easter Bags.”

FOOD PANTRY EASTER BAGS GROCERY LISTS

Print out at home and attach to your own bag

EASTER BAG – SMALL FAMILY

Serves 2-4 people

All items must be non-perishable

- 2 cans of vegetables
- 1 muffin or roll mix
- 1 large or 2 small boxes of Jello
- 1 can of fruit
- 1 cake mix
- 1 can of Icing
- 1 boxed potatoes (mashed, scalloped, au gratin, etc.)
- 1 egg dye kit
- 1 small bottle of vinegar (for dyeing eggs)
- 2 bags of Easter candy
- 1 dozen plastic Easter eggs

EASTER BAG – LARGE FAMILY

Serves 5-8 people

All items must be non-perishable

- 4 cans of vegetables
- 2 muffin or roll mix
- 2 large or 4 small boxes of Jello
- 2 cans of fruit
- 1 cake mix
- 1 can of Icing
- 2 boxed potatoes (mashed, scalloped, au gratin, etc.)
- 1 egg dye kit
- 1 small bottle of vinegar (for dyeing eggs)
- 4 bags of Easter candy
- 2 dozen plastic Easter eggs

MARCH 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 10 AM Women's Sharing Group 6:30 PM Growth Group: Immersion Bible Study: Genesis 8 PM AA	2 6 PM Ecumenical Ash Wednesday Service @ St. Matthews AME Zion	3 11 AM - 1 PM Community Luncheon 6:15 PM Bell Choir	4 6:30 PM AA	5 11 AM Funeral Service for Rev. Barry Lewis
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SAVE THE DATES — ASBESTOS ABATEMENT PROJECT

Project Scope

Trustees have scheduled the removal and replacement of carpet and tile in the basement Sunday School rooms, hallway and nursery. Unfortunately, the tile under the carpet and tile in the nursery has tested for asbestos. Rest assured, the status of our current flooring is safe. There are no broken tiles or dust particles in the air. However, in order to replace the carpet and tiles in those areas we have engaged the services of a contractor to perform the abatement which will then be followed by the installation of new carpet and tiles.

Here are the dates you need to be aware of:

- June 4 -12 - Our church family helps to remove and relocate the contents of all classrooms and nursery
- June 13 - 27- Abatement work begins - areas are sealed off and there will be no access to the area during this work
- June 28 - July 8 - Carpet and tile installation
- July 8 - 15 - Our church family helps return the contents back to appropriate rooms

Project Assistance: Can you help be a part of the clean out process? With a dumpster on site we plan to use this opportunity to clean out all of areas of the church as well. Please mark your calendars. Any questions, please reach out to Sandra Lane (412)841-7169.

SEWICKLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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*Sunday School: 10 am
(September—May)*

Contemporary Worship: 9 am

Traditional Worship: 11 am

Sewickley United Methodist Church is a faith community that meets in the building with the clock tower, which stands at the entrance to the village.

Our motto is: "The Church with Time for You."

In a world that knows hostility, we give time for hospitality, community, and fellowship.

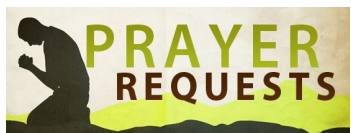
In a world that knows aimless searching, we give time for spiritual development.

In a world that knows idols, we give time to creatively worship the God of love.

In a world that knows ignorance, we give time to hear and learn the biblical story.

In this world God loves, we seek to be followers of Jesus, the one who gave His life to demonstrate trust, hope, and love.

As we use the gift of time to meet on Sundays for education and worship, we invite you to meet with a community that gathers under the clock to pay attention to the One whose love is ever timeless.



John A.
Hurst Bartley
Eddie Brezny
Betty Burrows
(Wilma Hamilton's sister-in-law)
Cathy
Lauren McAiley Cephus
(Otis McAiley's daughter)
Jack Certain
Irene Chenot
(Beth Zeanchock's mom)
Bruno Crapis

John Cummins
Family of Craig Daly (father of
Heather Cymbalak and
grandfather of Patrick &
Hannah Gold)
Mary Jane Dooley
(Rosemary Herring's cousin)
Betty Dornetta
Nancy Erdmann
Rev. Marilyn Evans
Pat Fulton
(Scott Matthew's mom)
Shirley Gerthung
(Wilma Hamilton's sister)
Family of June Graham
(Carole Ford's sister-in-law)

Jessica H.
Willa Herman
Ceel Janosik
Family of Wendy G. Jenkins
Alfred Johnson Jr. (Otis
McAiley's nephew)
Brandy K.
Lisa L.
Family of Rev. Barry Lewis
(husband of Andrea Lewis)
Craig McClean
Mary Maminski
Tom Moog
Tony Morgan
(Dominic Odom's cousin)
Lorraine Offner

Dominic Odom
Steve Powell
Jim Rogansky
Mario Russo
Karen Shong
C.R. & Lorraine Simpson
Family of Bob Sipes
Joseph Umer
Ryan Warden
Larry and Nancy Young
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We are using "easyTithe" to offer online giving to our church family. Those who choose to give in this way can create a secure account from via easyTithe and set up recurring giving

