

Prospect Street United Methodist Church  
185 S. Prospect Street, Marion, OH 43302  
740-382-6069  
Pastor, Joshua Freshour

**Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**  
**8:30 a.m.**



**Mission Statement:**

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to grow in our commitment to Christ,  
to serve others, and welcome all people.”

# 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany

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Joshua Freshour, Pastor

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\*Please stand if you are able

Please silence electronic devices

NOISY COLLECTION

Vacation Bible School

WELCOME

Pastor Josh Freshour

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

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\*PRAISE SONGS

“Your Grace Is Enough”  
“Great Are You Lord”

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23

<sup>10</sup> According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. <sup>11</sup> For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ. <sup>16</sup> Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? <sup>17</sup> If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple. <sup>18</sup> Do not deceive yourselves. If you think that you are wise in this age, you should become fools so that you may become wise. <sup>19</sup> For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, “He catches the wise in their craftiness,” <sup>20</sup> and again, “The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile.” <sup>21</sup> So let no one boast about human leaders. For all things are yours. <sup>22</sup> whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future – all belong to you, <sup>23</sup> and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE

***“First Things First”***

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*CLOSING SONG "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"God Be With You"  
**God be with you till we meet again;  
by his counsels guide, uphold you,  
with his sheep securely fold you;  
God be with you till we meet again.  
Till we meet, till we meet,  
till we meet at Jesus' feet;  
till we meet, till we meet,  
God be with you till we meet again**

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Greeters: Art & Marilyn Barbour

Next Sunday Scripture: 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 & Sermon Title: "You Can Take It With You"

*The clear candle burning on our altar signifies our appreciation for the men and women serving our country during this time of national concern.*

**Monday Morning Bible Study Group** will meet **tomorrow** morning at 9:30 a.m.

The **United Women In Faith Executive Board** will meet **tomorrow** at 2 p.m.

**Laundry Love Ministry** will be held **tomorrow** at 4:30 p.m. at the Southtown Cleaning Village, 355 S. Main Street in Marion.

**Lenten Study** - every Wednesday beginning **February 26** at 5:30 p.m. and every Friday beginning **February 28** at 10:30 a.m.

The Jackson Area Ministries needs to have their seed supply replenished this year for their area wide gardening projects. The UWIF sponsored **Seed Tree** will be in the main hallway from **March 2 – March 30**. All circles encourage the church family to bring vegetable seeds for this ministry.

The **Sacrament of Holy Communion** will be served at both services on **Sunday, March 2**.

The **Prayer Team** will meet on **Sunday, March 2**, after the second service.

The **Worship Team** will meet **Sunday, March 2**, after the second service in the choir room.

The **Marion Concert Band** presents "March Into March" on **Sunday, March 2**, at 3 p.m. at the River Valley High School Auditorium. No admission charge!

The **Board of Trustees** will meet on **Monday, March 3**, at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Come and join us on **Wednesday, March 5**, at 7 p.m. for our **Ash Wednesday Service** at Crosswood UMC .

The **Martha Horne Circle** will meet on **Thursday, March 6**, at 6:30 p.m. at the church. Anita Baker and April Taylor will serve as hostesses.

Erika will be on vacation from **March 7 till March 14**. Dianna Eckle will be in the office from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Monday through Friday.

**Child Evangelism Fellowship Luncheon and Silent Auction** will be held on **Saturday, March 8**, from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Cornerstone Alliance Church, 2010 St. Rt. 4 S. To reserve lunch tickets call Cheryl at 740-262-0939.

**Spring Forward** - Daylight Saving Time begins **March 9!**

**Ladies' Lunch** will be held on **Sunday, March 9**, after the second service.

The **Hilda Weiss Circle** will meet on **Monday, March 10**, at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The **Guiding Light Circle** will meet on **Tuesday, March 11**, at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The **Staff-Pastor-Parish-Relations Team** will meet on **Monday, March 10**, at 6 p.m.

The **Finance Team** will meet on **Thursday, March 13**, at 7 p.m.

The **Leadership Team** will meet on **Thursday, March 20**, at 6 p.m.

**Men's Prayer Breakfast** will be held on **Saturday, March 15**, at 8 a.m. There will be good food, devotions and fellowship! Please join this amazing group of men!

**Special Music during Lent** – If you would like to provide special music during the offertory in Lent, please sign up in the choir room. The sign-up sheet is in front of the choir boxes.

**Pastor Josh** is in the office Tuesday – Friday from 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. Call the church office if you would like to set up a time to see him or just come on in!

The **Flower Calendar** for 2025 is hanging up in the hallway. The price for fresh flowers is \$46.95. Silk flowers are \$5.00. Select your date to remember a loved one or to honor a family member or friend. Make checks payable to Prospect Street United Methodist Church.

**Serendipity Sunday School Class** – They meet across the kitchen in the basement.

**New Beginnings Sunday School Class** – They meet in the basement right off the elevator.

**Faith Builders Sunday School Class** – They meet in the Upper Room.

**Teen Sunday School Class** - They meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor in the youth room.

**Upper Rooms** Devotional Booklets for March/April 2025 are on the table inside the main entrance to the sanctuary. Small - \$1.20      Large - \$3.50

**Service DVD's for Shut-Ins!** We have DVD's available of all our Sunday Services for anyone who would like to borrow them or have a copy. We are delivering DVD Players and the DVD's on Monday mornings! Call Erika in the office for information.

**E-Tithing** is an automatic withdrawal from your checking account and is remitted automatically to the church. We can set it up so it will deduct from your checking account on the 1<sup>st</sup> and/or the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Contact the church office for more information!

**Kroger Community Rewards** – Please enroll in the Kroger Community Program. Go to [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com) and all the details on creating an online account are there. Under Community Rewards make sure you search and select “Prospect St. United Meth. Chur” our Organization number is VF478. Thank you! If you have any questions, please call Erika.

**Attendance February 16:** Sunday School – 14      Worship Services – 8/37

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