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

> Sunday, March 30th, 2025 8:30 a.m.



Mission Statement:

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4th Sunday in Lent

Joshua Freshour, Pastor

*Please stand if you are able

Please silence electronic devices

Pastor Josh Freshour

WELCOME

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

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*PRAISE SONGS

"I Give You My Heart" "What A Beautiful Name"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. ¹⁷ So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! ¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹ that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. ²⁰ So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us, we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹ For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE

"Let It Go"

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	"Goodness of God"	
*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.	
	Greeters: Deb Welch & Pam Larkin	

Next Sunday Scripture: Philippians 3:4b-14 & Sermon Title: "Press On"

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

Altar Flowers are placed in honor of Ann & Terry Huff's wedding anniversary.

Monday Morning Bible Study Group will meet tomorrow morning at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The United Women In Faith Executive Board will meet tomorrow at 2 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

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

Lenten Study – Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. and Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

The **Martha Horne Circle** will meet on **Thursday, April 3**, at 6:30 p.m. at the church. April Taylor and Anita Baker will serve as hostesses. April will be in charge of the program.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be served at both services on Sunday, April 6.

The Prayer Team will meet on Sunday, August 6, after the second service.

The Board of Trustees will meet on Monday, April 7, at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The Education Team will meet on Tuesday, April 8, at 6 p.m. in the Upper Room.

The Finance Team will meet on Thursday, April 10, at 7 p.m. in the Upper Room.

Spring Fling and Easter Egg Hunt will be **Saturday, April 12**, from 10:30 a.m. until noon for ages 2 to 12. Pizza will be served to the children at noon. We need candy donations to fill "Goody Bags" for the children to take home. A basket for donations is in the foyer.

Palm Sunday Fest – **Sunday, April 13**! The traditional meal will be noodles with chicken or beef, real mashed potatoes, green beans/butter beans, bread and butter, dessert, and beverages. The meal will be after the second service, and the cost will be \$8.00/adults, \$20.00/family, and \$4.00/kids 10 and under. This meal is sponsored by the Guiding Light Circle. Mark your calendar now for this event and joyfully plan to share in the loving kinship and fellowship with your church family.

Wesley Scholarship - You must pick up the application at the church and complete and submit it to the church by **April 15**. You can also call Erika and she can mail an application to you! There is scholarship money waiting for somebody.

We are gearing up for the **Good Friday Prayer Vigil.** It will be held on **Friday, April 18**, from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. On this day, we ask that you come to the church so we can pray corporately. If you are unable to come to the church, you may pray at home. This year, there is no sign up necessary. You may just come and go as you please.

April 18 - Crosswood UMC will host the Good Friday worship service at 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday April 20 - Easter Sunrise Service at 7:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. - Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Traditional Easter Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

Marion Correctional Institution Easter Play 2025 - April 22, from 1-3 p.m. or April 23, from 6-8 p.m. If you are interested in attending, please call the church office.

Thank you Neil Miller, for the blessings to PSUMC through the music of the orchestra that you helped to provide for many, many years! You may send cards of thanks to Neil Miller at 543 Summit Street Marion, Ohio 43302 or you may place your card for Neil in the box at PSUMC that will be located at the back of the sanctuary. Let's "shower" Neil with cards, notes, well-wishes and thanks during the month of April. Thank you for your participation, The Staff, Parish, Pastor Relations Team

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.

Once again, Prospect Street United Methodist Church has the honor of hosting The Cardinal Chorale, under the direction of Mr. Charles R. Snyder on **Saturday, June 7.** As in the past, we **ABSOLUTELY MUST** have assistance from our congregation in order for the concert to happen.

- MARK the date on your calendars.
- **HOUSING** is a dire necessity. We must have approximately 10 homes from PSUMC. Host homes will have 2-4 singers. Hosts provide a light snack after the concert (water/fruit) bedding, shower/towels, and a light breakfast for the morning. You will need to pick them up after the concert and bring them back in the morning.
- **DONATIONS** If you are unable to attend the concert or host singers, you can support the Chorale through a financial gift. Money is needed to help pay for their week-long traveling tour. Donations of any size are truly appreciated.

Please contact the church office to let us know if you can assist with this concert in any way.

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.

Attendance March 23: Sunday School – 25 Worship Services – 22/86

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