

4TH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

+Indicates that all are invited to stand in body or spirit.  
Congregation is invited to respond as indicated by **Bold Print**

PRELUDE	All Praise to Our Redeeming Lord	
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Pastor Doug
-JANUARY BIRTHDAYS   BIRTHDAY SONG		
CENTERING TIME	There’s Something About That Name	
+CALL TO WORSHIP		Joel T.
Joel: Great are the works of the Lord, our God,		
All: who is ever mindful of the covenant love.		
Joel: In Christ, God shows us how far God will go,		
All: healing and restoring all to right relationship.		
Joel: By God’s Spirit, we are called to share the good news,		
All: and build up communities where hope is renewed.		
+OPENING HYMN	Morning Has Broken	UMH # 145
+OPENING PRAYER (UNISON):		Joel T.

Eternal God, you are the Source of all things in heaven and on earth. Through the wonders of your Creation, you make your presence known, and you bring forth each new day as a gift. Even now, you are moving in our lives, surrounding us with your love and filling us with your grace. You invite us to join with you, and to be part of the good you are doing in this world. And yet, we find it difficult to respond. We would rather avoid the ills that plague those around us, the challenges that weigh people down, preferring the comfort of our own peace and quiet to all that noise and disruption. Forgive us, O God! Open our hearts, that we might once again be astounded by your teaching.

Help us to claim the power and authority you are giving to us. Teach us to use them in ways that will bring hope and healing to all your beloved children. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.		
+SHARING THE PEACE		
CHILDREN’S MESSAGE		Pastor Doug
Children are dismissed to Sunday School. Members and guests welcome.		
+GOSPEL READING	Mark 1:21-28	Joel T.
<p><sup>21</sup> Jesus and his followers went into Capernaum. Immediately on the Sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and started teaching. <sup>22</sup> The people were amazed by his teaching, for he was teaching them with authority, not like the legal experts. <sup>23</sup> Suddenly, there in the synagogue, a person with an evil spirit screamed, <sup>24</sup> “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are. You are the holy one from God.” <sup>25</sup> “Silence!” Jesus said, speaking harshly to the demon. “Come out of him!” <sup>26</sup> The unclean spirit shook him and screamed, then it came out. <sup>27</sup> Everyone was shaken and questioned among themselves, “What’s this? A new teaching with authority! He even commands unclean spirits and they obey him!” <sup>28</sup> Right away the news about him spread throughout the entire region of Galilee.</p>		
MESSAGE	“What Have You to Do With Us?” Rev. Kerri Parker, guest preacher	
HYMN	Be Thou My Vision	UMH # 451
COMMUNITY PRAYER		Joel T.
OFFERTORY	When Jesus the Healer Passed Through Galilee	
+DOXOLOGY	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH # 95

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## January 28, 2024

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

Joel T.

Loving God, through your Son, Jesus Christ, you met us where we are, offering to us gifts of healing, comfort, and a true and lasting peace (that passes all understanding). With gratitude, we return to you a portion of what we have received, trusting it will be multiplied to your service, creating opportunities to embrace the life that is in you. Amen.

### JOYS & CONCERNS

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH # 895

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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 HYMN

*Help Us Accept Each Other*

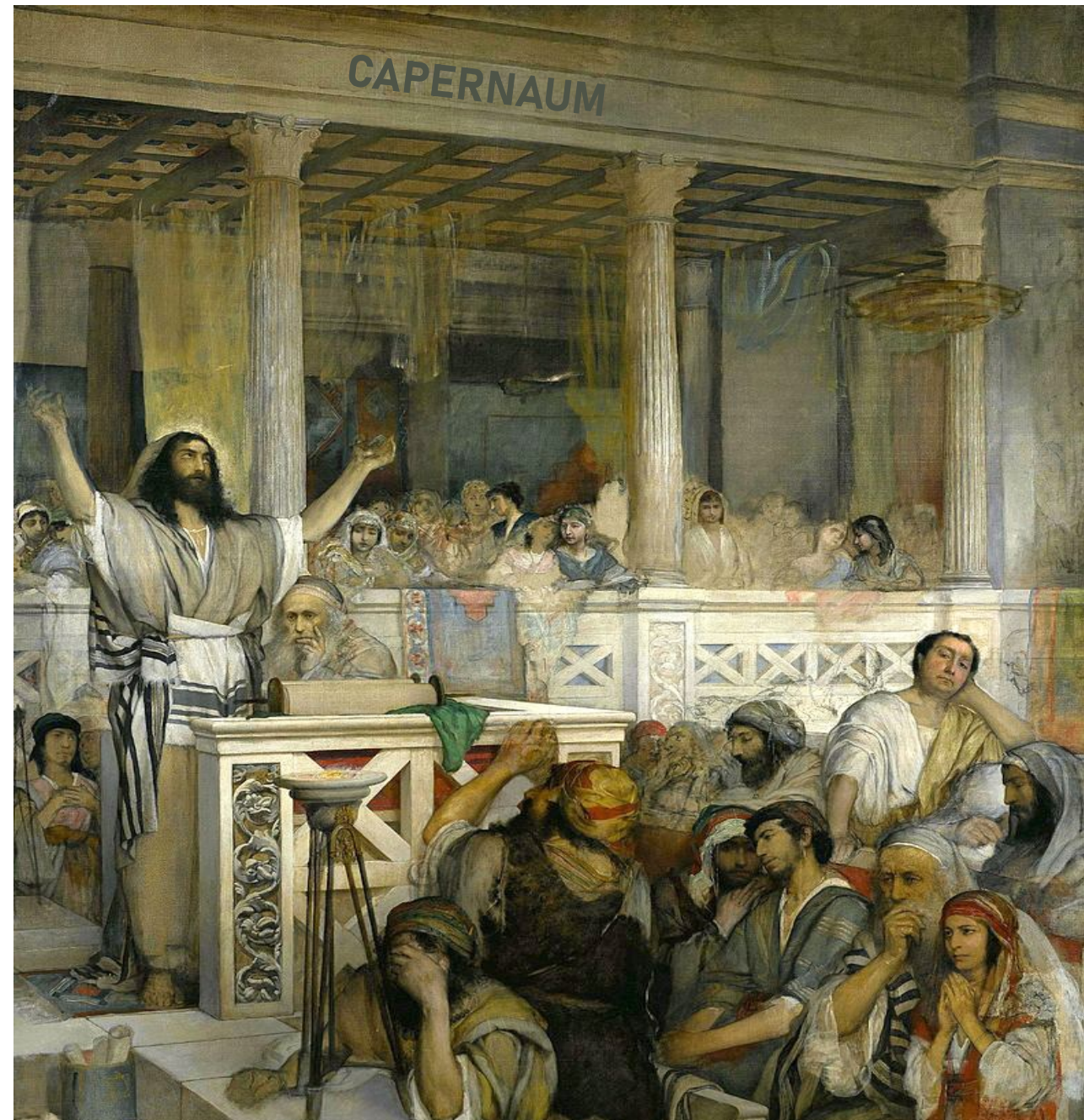
UMH # 560

### +BENEDICTION

*Pastor Doug*

### POSTLUDE

*Sent Forth by God's Blessing*



## WESLEY UMC'S

## MISSION STATEMENT

REACHING UP TO WORSHIP GOD

REACHING OUT TO SERVE OTHERS

REACHING IN TO GROW TOGETHER



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## JANUARY'S NOISY CAN

### GOOD SAMARITAN FUND

The Good Samaritan Fund is a fund used at the Pastor's discretion to assist individuals in immediate need for some kind of monetary assistance. Individuals seeking help often stop at the church looking for gas or food money or with other requests. Pastor Doug can refer them to several different community organizations for help, but sometimes a small cash gift is appropriate. The Good Samaritan Fund allows the Pastor to help strangers (and church members!) with an immediate need.

## ASH WEDNESDAY

February 14, 2024  
7 PM worship service

If you are unable to make the worship service, Pastor Doug will be outside on 3rd street in the back alley from 11 AM to 1 PM offering "drive-thru" ashes and prayer.

## 2024 LENTEN STUDY

### *The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life*

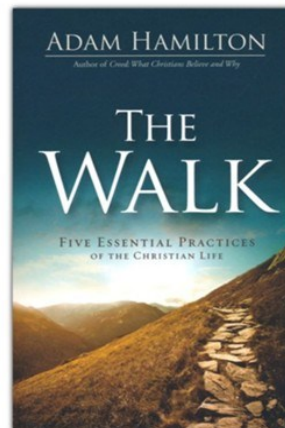
Rev. Adam Hamilton

Our journey this Lent will take us back to the "basics" of Christian faith and living. Together, we will explore five spiritual practices-worship and prayer, study, service, giving and sharing-that will help deepen our relationship with God (and with one another). Through videos, conversation, and prayer, we will learn how we can follow in the footsteps of Christ every day.

Pastor Doug will be offering this small group in-person Monday mornings @ 11 AM (with a Zoom option for those who need it). The **study book** will be \$14.00 and may be purchased through the church office when you sign-up.

Be sure to **register by Sunday, January 28th** so that we can order the books in time for the first session on Monday, February 12.

The dates for the study will be Feb. 12, 19, 26 and Mar. 4, 11, and 18.



This week's **YouTube** link for Sunday-

<https://www.youtube.com/live/F90uh2xu4cE>

## SOS FOOD PANTRY

Wesley's next week to staff the Food Pantry is February 26 thru March 1, working on Monday and Wednesday afternoons, and Friday morning. See Jackie if you are interested in helping.

## January BIRTHdays

2: Rachel S.

9: Darlene W.

9: Londyn K.

24: Marge K.

30: Mary E.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY



### LET'S PRAY THIS WEEK FOR OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS!

If you have a joy or concern let us know! [wumcoffice@wesleyhopeconnection.org](mailto:wumcoffice@wesleyhopeconnection.org)

**JOYS:** those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week (see announcement page). Share with us your joys so we may celebrate together and glorify our Lord for your blessings!

#### CONCERNS:

Ardis A. – Health. | Jane G.- Health.

**HOMEBOUND:** Jane G. Joan B. Ruth S. Dorothy D. Shirley S. Ardis A.

#### OTHERS:

- For Mary's friend who is still dealing with hand pain.
- For the people in our communities who have to be out in this weather, especially those without shelter.