### 5TH SUNDAY IN Lent

+Indicates that all are invited to stand in body or spirit.

Congregation is invited to respond as indicated by **Bold Print** 

PRELUDE Sharwin G.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Doug

CENTERING TIME Sharwin G.

+CALL TO WORSHIP Joel T.

Joel: Blessed is the Lord, our God!

All: Blessed is the One who is faithful!

Joel: For God has made a renewed covenant,

All: and the Lord has forgiven all of our iniquity.

Joel: We are restored to the joy of God's saving grace,

All: freed to be faithful witnesses in all we say and do.

**+OPENING HYMN** O God, Our Help in Ages Past UMH # 117

+OPENING PRAYER (UNISON): Joel T.

God of Hope, you are the Source of all things in heaven and earth. You bring life into being, filling Creation with good things, and revealing new possibilities in every moment. Through the years, you have journeyed alongside us, been present with us in the midst of the highs and the lows. You remain faithful, and you call us to live in that faithfulness together. And yet, we are hesitant to do so. There is so much going on in our lives and our world, things that make us afraid for ourselves, for those we love. We worry what will happen if we loosen our grip, give us some of our control, and risk being more vulnerable. Forgive us, O God! Renew in us clean hearts and fill us with your Spirit. Remind us that we are your people, and that you are with us every step of the way. Teach us how to live faithfully before others, that we may embody the goodness of your reality for all the world. 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.

SCRIPTURE READING Jeremiah 31:31-34 Joel T.

<sup>31</sup>The time is coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and Judah. <sup>32</sup>It won't be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant with me even though I was their husband, declares the LORD. <sup>33</sup>No, this is the covenant that I will make with the people of Israel after that time, declares the LORD. I will put my Instructions within them and engrave them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. <sup>34</sup>They will no longer need to teach each other to say, "Know the LORD!" because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD; for I will forgive their wrongdoing and never again remember their sins.

MESSAGE	"Through Sharing and Witness"	Pastor Doug
	Embodying the realities of God for all people	

**HYMN** Open My Eyes, That I May See UMH # 454

COMMUNITY PRAYER Joel T.

OFFERTORY

**+DOXOLOGY** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH #95

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON): Joel T.

Loving God, you pour out upon us gifts beyond measure-the beauty of Creation, the connection of friends and loved ones, the talents and treasures that we have. Now, we return to you a portion of what we have received. Multiply these offerings to your service, that by our giving we may share the good news and extend your hope to others. Amen.

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# March 17, 2024

**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** As a Fire Is Meant for Burning TFWS # 2237

**+BENEDICTION** Pastor Doug

POSTLUDE Sharwin G.

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

https://www.youtube.com/live/6JZTlet-46I



### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

Reaching up to worship god | reaching out to serve others | reaching in to grow together

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MARCH'S NOISY CAN

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN:
MARSHFIELD MOBILEPACK EVENT

Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) is a Christian nonprofit hunger relief organization that provides food to help communities in developing countries become self-sustaining. FMSC's approach is simple: volunteers handpack scientifically designed meals which are shipped to partners in nearly 70 countries across the world.

Your financial support makes it possible for us to provide hope and the promise of a beautiful future to precious children around the world. Marshfield's FMSC Mobilepack's 2024 goal is to raise \$41,000 & pack 139,968 meals.

Zion Community Church will host the MobilePack Event Thursday, April 25-Saturday, April 27. Registration to volunteer will open Thursday, March 14.

JOIN TOGETHER FOR ONE CAUSE: TO FEED STARVING CHILDREN AROUND THE WORLD.

# **UPCOMING MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

21: Pastor Doug

22: Caleb Henderson

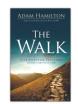


### SUNDAY SCHOOL SKIT PRACTICE

THERE WILL BE PRACTICE FOR THE CHILDREN'S EASTER SKIT ON SUNDAY, MARCH 17. FOLLOWING SUNDAY SCHOOL.

THE CHILDREN WILL PERFORM THEIR EASTER SKIT, THE TOMB IS EMPTY FOR THE CONGREGATION ON EASTER SUNDAY (MARCH 31) DURING CHILDREN'S TIME OF THE SERVICE.

## 2024 Lent Study-Mondays @ 11 AM



March 18

ZOOM LINK AVAILABLE - CALL THE OFFICE



Wesley's next week to staff the pantry is April 22nd through the 26th.

New volunteers are always welcome.



# "THE LAST SUPPER"

WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH,
IN COOPERATION WITH ZION COMMUNITY CHURCH,
WILL PRESENT THE 20<sup>TH</sup> PRESENTATION OF
"THE LAST SUPPER"

THE PERFORMANCE WILL BE HELD
AT WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH,
211 SOUTH MAPLE AVENUE, MARSHFIELD

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2024 WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2024 @ 7:00 PM



COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY
SERVICE
FRIDAY, MARCH 29 @ 12 PM
FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH



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

If you have a joy or concern let us know! 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!

- For **Tiffany M.** and baby **Silas** on the celebration of their baby shower.
- For Pastor Doug and Pastor Caleb on their recovery from COVID.
- For **the father of Mary's friend** who recently had surgery.

#### **CONCERNS:**

Ardis Anderson - Health. | Jane Gray - Health.

For Bill (a major resident of Marshfield) who is recovering from a recent stroke.

HOMEBOUND: Jane Gray. Joan Binning. Ruth Stuckert. Dorothy Drackley. Shirley Smith. Ardis Anderson.

**OTHERS**: For everyone else struggling with flu, RSV, COVID, and other respiratory diseases this season.

• For all who serve among us and who inspire us to do the same.