Hopkins United Methodist Church

First Sunday in Lent February 21, 2021

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements



Moments of Praise

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

UMH 269



Greeting and Call to Worship

One: God meets us in the night—

All: Before the sun rises, before the wound heals, before

there are answers, before there is closure.

One: God meets us in the light—

All: Where joy is effervescent, where laughter is contagious, where flowers bloom from cracks in the sidewalk, and where people gather around the table.

One: God meets us at the threshold—

All: At the edge of the water, at the beginning of the wilderness, at the start of something new, on the edge of faith.

One: And if God meets us in all those places,

Then surely God meets us in between—

All: Staying with us through the wilderness.

One: We are not alone. God is all around.

All: Let us worship the God of the here and now.

WORD

*Scripture Lesson Mark 1:9-15

L: The Word of God to the People of God

All: Thanks be to God



RESPONSE

Special Music by Alys & Mike

Prayers of the People Lord's Prayer

Passing of the Peace

TABLE

Offering & Doxology

SEND

*Closing Song Lord of the Dance UMH 261

*Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude







Sermon

Pastor Kelsey

WORSHIP INSIDE AT HOPKINS UMC

A few specifics/guidelines to help keep us all as safe as possible:

- Offering will be collected as you walk in or out of the church. Loose change offering will also be there.
- Masks are required.
- We will follow **social distancing** regulations.
- There will be no moving around for passing of the peace.
- There will be no singing.
- There will be no Sunday School or Children's Church for now, but parents with babies can use the basement if they need a private space.
- Each family has an assigned "worship bag" with activities and supplies for their kids to play with during the service.
- Please be cautious with mingling, try to do it outside if weather allows.
- We will be sharing the service over Zoom live.

Getting Connected

To receive church updates text HopkinsUMC to 84576 or

flocknote.com/HopkinsUMC

To give electronically hopkinsumchurch.org/give

To contact the Prayer Team Bertha Tew at (269) 793-7424

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Announcements for February 14, 2021

Feb 28 - Worship in-person, 9:30am at SMUMC, 11am at HUMC Zoom into Worship at 11am with HUMC 1st meeting of Becoming Brave Study 12:15-1:15pm

Mar 7 - Worship in-person, 9:30am at SMUMC, 11am at HUMC Zoom into Worship at 11am with HUMC 2nd meeting of Becoming Brave Study 12:15-1:15pm

Lent Devotional

Pastor Kelsey has put together a Lenten Devotional based on the Children's book "Images of God." Each of the 40 days of Lent, includes the illustration and text from the book, a Psalm selection, a brief reflection and short prayer. It is all Children/Family friendly. The devotions will take about 5 minutes a day, and will be a great way to spend a bit of every day focusing on who God is as a Lenten practice. Pick up this week's set at church on Sunday, or via email or Facebook

Food Pantry Donations Needs

At this time the major needs are: Canned Pasta, Canned Fruit, Tuna, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Ketchup, and Mustard.

Drop off Wednesdays from 10am to 1pm and 5pm to 7pm, bring them to church or contact Mitzi or Pastor Linda about a drop off time.

Peanut Butter Drive

Allegan County Food Pantry Collaboration is holding a peanut butter drive from January 24-February 28th. You can make a financial donation (see the newsletter) or you can bring donations to the pantry.

The Sock Project

The Sock Project is a west Michigan based project that helps collect and distribute new socks to those in need. This is a project that was started by 2 Hopkins graduates.

We will collect **NEW** socks through the month of February.

Prayers Requests and Thanksgivings

Our Sympathies go to... The Lulls, Krafts, Hortons, and Lovleys on the passing of Marrion Lull on Feb 15. And to the Fentons and Edgells on the loss of George Fenton.

We pray with thanksgiving for... COVID vaccine, the 5 babies in our church family, Heather & Trevor Collier expecting; Andrea & Nathan Caldwell (Carl Collier's Granddaughter) expecting; those who have gotten j obs; multiple surgeries and recoveries going well.

We pray God's blessing for...Dee Davies; Mitchell Punches; Andy (Mike Lovely's friend); Gloria Tyslan; Lorraine (Margaret's daughter); Dan Herrema; all caretakers; the many grieving deaths and losses; those without jobs and looking for jobs.

We pray for the church and for the world... Increasing Homeless populations across the US; Ongoing Pandemic; overwhelmed hospitals; Amelia Green our seminarian; the future of the UMC; Bishop Bard and DS Bagley; Pastor Kelsey and Brennen; immigrants and asylum seekers; all who tend and farm the land; for leadership of our nation; for first responders, health care and essential workers; for teachers, students, and families; for social and racial justice.

Share your requests! Call Pastor Kelsey (248-613-0366) or Bert Tew (269-793-7424)

Need a listening ear or help processing all that has gone on this year?Pastor Kelsey is available for pastoral care meetings. Email or call her to schedule a visit.

February Birthdays

12 - Debbie Lemmer17 - Kristan Goodenough24 - Earl Collier26 - Elias Davies

Offering Mailing Information

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