



# The Eastport Spire

## “Inspire Us to Great Things”

### February 2014

*We share our experiences of God’s Kingdom with all, through our faith, love, fellowship, and service. It is our vision to have everyone actively involved in worship that enriches, ministries that empower, and evangelism that embraces all.*

### Pastor’s Corner

Dear Church,

Last Sunday, January 26th, I delivered to you my first and last state of the congregation address, inspired by the knowledge that the President of our union was doing the same in a few days. I beat him to it! ☺ I am sharing the address with you in this issue of the newsletter to invite you to thank God with me for what we have all been able to accomplish together with his grace and our cooperation with that grace over nine years. I also share this with you for your personal and communal prayerful reflection on where, possibly, the Spirit is leading you as a congregation into the future, as I see it and as I hope you and your new pastor will do, too. Embrace and improve on what you believe will be helpful in your journey as Jesus' disciples into the future.

To paraphrase President John F. Kennedy, I appeal to each and every one of you: Ask not what God can do through your church; ask what you can do for God through your church. God bless us all.

~ Grace & Peace, Pastor MaAn



A Mother went in to wake up her son and tell him it was time to go to church. He said he did not want to go and she asked him for two reasons why. He said the first one was the people did not like him and the second reason was he did not like the people..... She replied by giving him two good reasons why he should go. One was he was 49 years old and the second reason was that he was the pastor of the church....hmmmm. *(Offered by Sonny & Shirley)*

### Playground Fundraising Update

Dennis Bergsman is awaiting answers from two other grant applications he submitted for the church playground. In the meantime, he is also looking at other avenues for fundraising. So keep an eye out for further information as it becomes available. We will keep you in the “swing” of things.

~Val Devaris



### Covered Dish Luncheon

February 9, 11:45 a.m.

After Worship Service

Hosted by Finance & Stewardship Team

Main dish will be provided.

Please bring a side dish to share.

Everyone is welcome – members, friends and families. There is always plenty!

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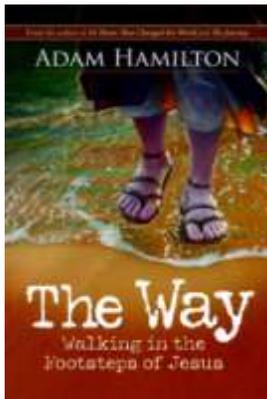


**Pancakes!**

On Shrove Tuesday, March 4, 2014, come to EUMC for a wonderful pancake dinner. Dinner will be served from 6pm until 8pm. Tickets cost \$12 per adult and a \$6 per child. Advance purchase tickets will be available sometime in February. Keep an eye out for the announcement. All proceeds from the dinner will go to the expansion of the playground to better serve the church and community.

## Lenten Study

Prepare for Easter! Participate in a video-based Lenten Study by Adam Hamilton. Open to youth and adults. There will be day and evening classes: 10:15 -11:45am & 6:45- 8:15pm. Session One is on March 12, 2014. Study book (required) – \$12. 40-Day Reflections book (optional) – \$7. Please sign up a.s.a.p. (by Feb 16) so that enough materials can be ordered, and you will have them in time to prepare. This is the last chance you will have to make a spiritual journey with Pastor MaAn, so don't miss this opportunity.



## A Young EUMC Member's Travels

Dennis Bergsman and Colette Krebs along with about 20 other Annapolis High School students and numerous chaperons went to Milan, Italy, as part of the exchange student program. The students stayed with the families of the students who were hosted here last spring. Dennis' Italian counterpart is Leonardo. Some might remember him as having helped with the pancake dinner last year that the youth group organized. Dennis had a marvelous time with Leonardo and his family. He attended classes at Leonardo's school, Collegio San Carlo, right in the heart of Milan. The American students even had lessons in Opera by one of the professors at the school. Dennis was very excited that he got to see the actual codex in which Leonardo DeVinci wrote. The students went to Venice and had a grand time. Leonardo and his family also took Dennis to Porto Fino and Genova which he thoroughly enjoyed. Watch for more about this trip in the March Spire.

~Val Devaris

## A Man Called Milan

By Dennis Bergsman

*I spoke with an old man called Milan.  
A stately patriarch of another age.  
His stature impressive, his knowledge more so,  
His body crisscrossed by the marks of his history.  
He spoke of the past.  
He spoke of the deeds he had done, the canals dug,  
the businesses conquered, the battles fought.  
He spoke of the Art he had made, the cathedrals  
built, the paintings created, the sculptures chiseled.  
He spoke of the friends and the enemies he had, the  
wandering Gauls, the ambitious Romans, the  
expansive French and lastly his fellow Italians.  
Next to the old man stood a young man also called  
Milan.  
An energetic man, he was conducting business on a  
phone.  
He closed the phone and turned to me his eyes filled  
with new ideas.  
He spoke of the future.  
He spoke of his business, new products to build, new  
ventures to fund, new markets to exploit.  
He spoke of his passions, new art to create, new  
buildings to design, new fashions to start.  
He spoke of his plans, new people to join him, a  
festival to hold that would bring the world to his  
door step.  
I could have talked to them for hours these men  
called Milan.  
One so filled with history, the other with ambition.  
But the hour came, my time had come and my ride  
was here.  
As I left I turned around to wave,  
And there waving back was only one man.  
A man whose appearance was stately, whose eyes  
were filled with new ideas,  
A man called Milan.*



Dennis at the Cathedral in Milan

## United Methodist Women

All women of the church are invited and encouraged to become active members of United Methodist Women. During the recent holiday season, this busy group helped organize the Timothy House gift bags and held a pot luck dinner and fun gift exchange. They are considering various missions for 2014, including, but not limited to, *No More Malaria*, *Fisher House*, *Heifer Project*, and continuing support for *Pasa a Paso in Guatemala*. They contributed \$500 to Pasa a Paso (see the UMW bulletin board in Fellowship Hall for info about this mission). \$1000 was sent to the Volunteers in Mission project at the *Henderson Settlement*. UMW also contributed \$200 to help start up a Christian women's sorority at Towson University.

As always, UMW is involved in arranging for transportation for members who cannot drive to doctor appointments. They coordinate meals for members who are sick or in crisis, as a way to ease the burden for a short time. The ladies of UMW would like to include the congregation at large in these ongoing ministries to our members, so if you are called and are able, please say you will help, either then or at some time in the future.

~ Wendy Edstrom



### It's Soup Sale Time Again!

The United Methodist Women will be bringing their famous homemade soups to Fellowship Hall on Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> for tasting and ordering – that will be the only day for tasting. You'll have another chance to order on February 9<sup>th</sup> and then soup pick-up day is Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars! There will be "old favorites" and a new variety – so come and stock your freezer with tasty soups.

~ Wendy Edstrom

### Job Opening



We are looking for a part-time admin assistant to share the church office work. Contact Eric Smaridge (Staff-Parish Relations) at 443-570-8425 or by email [eric@esdrafting.com](mailto:eric@esdrafting.com).



The men of Eastport United Methodist Church made it possible for 30 children at Eastport Elementary School who come from low-income families to receive Christmas gifts. Many thanks to **all** of the men of the church for their support of the United Methodist Men's annual Christmas toy drive. Assisting with the gift-wrapping and assembly this year were (from right) Steve Parks, Eric Smaridge, Mike Keller, Edgar Bowen, Jeff Bauckman, Jim Wilcox, and Eric's friend Lori Miller (photo by Joyce Conley).

The UMM received a nice thank-you from the children at Eastport Elementary School.

Good job men!  
Keep on...



### Army-Navy Hockey Game

The Eastport United Methodist Men are organizing an outing to see Navy play Army in hockey on **Saturday, March 1** at 8:30 p.m. All men, women and youth of the church are invited to join us. Tickets are \$5. A car pool to McMullen Arena will leave from the church for those who are

interested. If you would like to attend, please let Jeff Bauckman know. You can talk with him at church or contact him at 443-758-4841 or [jeffdb51@hotmail.com](mailto:jeffdb51@hotmail.com). Jeff will be purchasing the tickets, but you need to provide him with the money in advance. If you are interested, do not delay. This game sold out quickly last year and almost certainly will do so again.



## Annapolis District UMM Retreat

The United Methodist Men of the Annapolis District will hold its second annual retreat Friday, February 21 to Sunday, February 23 at the Methodist Center in West River. The program will include an inspirational speaker, testimonials, a choral performance, an international missions presentation, small-group workshops, a *Lead Like Jesus* seminar, and a unique observation of the Lord's Supper. The \$75 cost includes log cabin accommodations and the following meal arrangements: lunch and dinner on Saturday and continental breakfasts on Saturday and Sunday. All men in the church are invited to attend. For more information, contact Jim Wilcox.

## For Your Health.....



**Macular degeneration (AMD)** is an eye disease that interferes with central visual acuity and is more common in people over 60 years old. Central vision is the vision that people use to read and see objects clearly so the loss of this vision can adversely impact the ability to complete the activities of daily living.

**Types - Dry AMD.** Dry AMD is caused by the thinning of the macula tissues in the eyes and leads to a gradual vision loss. Dry macular degeneration is the first stage of this disease.

**Types - Wet AMD.** Wet macular degeneration is the severe form of the disease. Wet AMD occurs

when new blood vessels grow underneath the retina; these blood vessels bleed easily and the blood causes the damage to the cells in the retina. Vision loss happens very quickly during this stage.

**Symptoms.** Symptoms of AMD include blurry central vision or a central blind spot, difficulty with reading, difficulty with dim lights and sudden central vision loss.

**Risks.** Risk factors for AMD include age, being caucasian, being female, family history of relatives with macular degeneration, presence of cigarette smoking and obesity, history of hypertension, high cholesterol, or heart disease.

**Detection.** While some of the symptoms may suggest that a patient may have AMD, an eye doctor is able to make the diagnosis with an Amsler grid card and a dilated retina exam; there are also some other tests such as a fluorescein dye test to look at the retina.

**Treatment.** There is no treatment for the dry type of AMD. For wet AMD, there are treatments with varied levels of success: medicines that can be injected into the eye to keep the blood vessels from growing as well as laser therapy and photodynamic therapy (a type of cold laser).

**Slow the progress of AMD.** Zinc, lutein, zeaxanthin, and vitamins A, C, and E can help lower one's risk for developing AMD and can even slow down the effects of dry macular degeneration. The Age-Related Eye Disease Study (AREDS) conducted by the National Eye Institute in 2001 indicated that high levels of zinc and antioxidants can help prevent AMD and other serious eye diseases. Ask your doctor if it is advisable to take one of the commercial AREDS formulations, available in pharmacies and supermarkets. Foods high in lutein and zeaxanthin can lower the risk of developing AMD, including egg yolks, yellow corn, kiwi, fruits, grapes, nuts, green leafy vegetables, orange juice, zucchini and squash. Eat plenty of fish or take an omega-3 fish oil supplement. Stop smoking. Wear sunglasses outdoors that protect against ultraviolet and HEV (blue) light. Exercise and keep your weight, blood pressure and cholesterol level under control.

*~Thank you Dianne Crews of St. Luke's Episcopal Church for sharing this article with us.*

## **STAY ALERT!!!**

*The following information is provided by Darryl Hagner, Business Liaison between the County Police and the business community.*

In light of recent major point of sale credit card compromises, we recommend you reassess your knowledge of credit card protections and best practices. Awareness is your best protection against becoming a victim.

### **Credit Card Protections**

- Select a pin difficult to guess
- Never share your pin
- Change your pin on a regular basis
- Never carry your pin with you i.e. in your wallet or written on the card
- Place a strip on your card that demands identification be shown when used
- Contact your credit card company and set up a code word for telephone account verifications
- Have your credit card company place a voluntary spending limit on your card i.e. no more than \$200.00 per transaction. Higher purchases can be made by pre-notifying your credit card company that you will be making a higher purchase and temporarily raise your limit for that specific transaction
- Consider a credit freeze. Some credit card companies will allow you to list only the companies you regularly do business with. Other charges to companies not on your list will be immediately rejected.
- Determine if you would like to purchase credit card monitoring protection i.e. LifeLock, TrustedID etc. We do not recommend any specific service.
- Never give your credit card number to anyone over the telephone, unless you initiate the call and are comfortable with where you are calling
- Only carry the card(s) you intend to use. If you lose your wallet with ten credit cards your problem obviously will increase ten fold
- Maintain a secure file at home that contains all credit card account numbers and passwords.  
Never store this information on your cell phone or portable devices
- Shred monthly statements. Never place them in the trash

- Register with your credit card company, so you can view your current statement directly on line. Monitor it closely
- Shred old credit cards and solicitations for new credit cards received in the mail
- Beware of phishing. No legitimate bank or credit card company will ever send you an email or call asking you to verify pertinent information
- When using your card, use the credit card purchase as opposed to the debit purchase. Although you have the same protections pursuant to federal law, your credit card account generally will be adjusted quicker than a debit card

### **ATM Protections**

- Use familiar ATM locations – Preferably bank or protected locations; limit your visits
- Be aware of individuals with no purpose in the area
- Physically check the scanner on the ATM. Skimmers are placed over real ATM card swipes. If the device is loose or appears different in any way, move to another ATM and notify the bank number posted on the ATM and the police
- When inputting your PIN, cover the touch pad with your hand and block the view of anyone who may be watching
- Register to view your bank accounts on-line. Check them frequently for charges you did not make
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### **A Common Scam**

**Green Dot Money Pak Cards** are legitimate reloadable debit cards that can be used to pay bills. Many people who don't have bank accounts use them. These cards are available at most convenience stores. Scam artists regularly use them because they are more convenient than a money order and totally untraceable. Once they have the card serial number they transfer the funds onto another prepaid debit card. These scams have been reported in Anne Arundel County, as well as nationwide. At present the following scams have been identified:

**Baltimore Gas and Electric Scam:** Victims are contacted by a caller purporting to work for BGE. The caller informs the victim that their electric service is about to be disconnected unless they pay a past due balance. The caller instructs the victim to

purchase a Green Dot Money Pak and provides them with a telephone number to call back. The telephone numbers are “throw away” cell phones. Once the victim calls the number, they are instructed to provide the serial number on the money pak. At that point the scam is complete. Baltimore Gas and Electric has had many complaints about this activity.

**IRS Scam:** Victims are contacted by someone identifying themselves as an agent with the Internal Revenue Service. The victim is informed they owe back taxes, fees or fines, which must be immediately satisfied. If the demand is not met, the victim is subject to immediate arrest or property seizure. In the Hispanic community victims are threatened with immediate deportation.

**Elderly Scam:** Elderly individuals are contacted and informed their grandchild is in trouble and needs immediate bail money. The same fraudulent principle applies.

**Prize Scam:** Victims are contacted and informed they have won a sweepstakes or prize. To claim the prize, the victim must pay a processing fee via a Green Dot Money Pak card.

**Guidance:** Be suspicious of callers who demand immediate payment for any reason. Remember anyone who has the serial number on the Green Dot Money Pak card has direct access to the funds on the card. Never give out personal or financial information that calls or emails you unsolicited. Never wire money, provide debit or credit card numbers or Green Dot Money Pak card numbers to anyone you don't know. *Utility companies and government agencies will never contact you demanding any immediate payment, especially via green dot money pak cards.*



### Life Changes

Patricia Stevens died January 17, 2014  
Arnold Hadaway died January 19, 2014  
Valerie Ahrens died January 24, 2014

## February Birthdays

Feb 2	Sally Hight, Evan Ugolini
Feb 4	Richard Miller
Feb 5	Thomas Smith, Cailyn Johnson
Feb 9	Anne Owen
Feb 13	Earl Macey
Feb 14	Jackie Cunningham John Allen Wilcox, Luke Wilcox
Feb 15	Berry Owen, Harriet Macey
Feb 20	Yaritza Edstrom
Feb 22	Jason Clurman
Feb 23	Jacqueline Ploof
Feb 24	Sue Finkle
Feb 25	John Stuntz

## February Anniversaries

Feb 11	Guy & Dawn Moyer
Feb 14	Richard & Betty Miller
Feb 16	James & Shirley Keller
Feb 19	Jim & Jean Wilcox
Feb 22	Scott & Nicole Hughes

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## State of the Church

*This is the written version of Pastor MaAn's sermon on January 26, 2014. Words that she added as she was delivering this address are not included here.*

On January 28 at 9pm, President Barack Obama will deliver his 6<sup>th</sup> state of the union address to a joint session of Congress at the Capitol in Washington, D.C. When I learned about this a week ago, the inspiration came to me to do the same. But first I had to find out what a typical state of the union address contains. So as everyone else does these days, I googled it.

According to one source I found, "the State of the Union is the address presented by the President of the United States to a joint session of the United States Congress, typically delivered annually. The address not only reports on the condition of the nation but also allows presidents to outline their legislative agenda (for which they need the cooperation of Congress) and their national priorities... The practice arises from a command given to the President in the Constitution of the United States:

He shall from time to time give to Congress information of the State of the Union and recommend to their Consideration such measures as he shall judge necessary and expedient. - *Article II, Section 3 of the U.S. Constitution*

Based on that definition, I cannot deliver a state of the union address to Congress because I am not the President (though I look forward to the day when a woman President will do that in my lifetime), but I can deliver a state of the church address to you members and friends of the congregation – my first and last.

Based also on the same definition, and in light of my retirement effective July 1<sup>st</sup> this year, I cannot pursue any more new grand agenda for which I need church leaders and your cooperation; but, I can encourage you to keep up the ministries that you have been carrying out so well over the years that we have been together. At the same time, I can also point out to you areas to consider undertaking, strengthening, deepening and broadening in the future as you continue to minister as disciples of Jesus Christ.

As disciples of Jesus Christ, we vowed at our Baptism and reaffirmed at Confirmation to follow in his footsteps with the grace that he gives us. Last week we were reminded of what Jesus came for when at the synagogue he delivered his inaugural address to jumpstart his ministry. To do so, he used the words of the prophet Isaiah.

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has chosen me to bring good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind,  
to set free the oppressed  
and announce that the time has come  
when the Lord will save his people.” (Luke 4:18-19, GNT)

In today's reading we learned that Jesus did not carry out this mission alone. He called others to be with him and join him in his adventure. He invited them to be fishers of people with him. They responded and they were never the same people again. In and through our baptism, Jesus also extended the same invitation to each of us. In and through our baptism, we responded affirmatively. We claimed his name as our own, identifying ourselves as Christians. By doing so, we also made his mission our own, though that mission has taken on different forms in our time.

With Jesus, we bring good news to the poor through the different ministries of compassion and mercy that we have undertaken over the years in his name. Housing and feeding the homeless by hosting the rotating shelter, feeding and sharing fellowship with residents at the housing projects, sharing food through the monthly pantry, reaching out in love to the residents of Timothy House, a home for the elderly and those with disabilities in our city through Gracious Greetings and the Christmas outreach of the United Methodist Women are but some of

the ways we have partnered with Jesus to bring the good news of God's care and compassion for the least of his people in our midst.

Within our congregation, we extend Jesus' love and care through the Visitation Teams' visits to the homebound, by preparing meals and providing transportation to those who need it. We support grieving families by hosting bereavement meals. We take care of the young ones through Children's Time with them at worship, by signing up for Nursery time even when our own children have not been there a long time. We volunteer to teach Sunday School even when we don't have any teaching background trusting that Val and Nicole will show us how.

Through those who participated in Habitat for Humanity, in the Henderson Settlement project in Tennessee, in the recovery efforts in Louisiana, and the home repair outreach with the Appalachian Service Project, we extended God's compassion and care beyond our neighborhood. Through our contribution to the United Methodist Commission on Relief (UMCOR) to help with victims of natural disasters here and abroad, our support of the recovery efforts to the Philippines after a flood that devastated the southern part of the country three years ago and the victims of typhoon Haiyan last November including my own family, we helped further Jesus' mission to the poor.

Through the Homework and Reading program that serve the Latino school children in our neighborhood and the Arts Enrichment Program that serves them and the African American children from the housing projects, we have partnered with Jesus in proclaiming liberty to the captives, recovering of sight to the blind, setting free the oppressed through education. The support we give to different schools in the city through school supplies serves the same mission. Supporting the school children through the Paso a Paso program based in Guatemala and the students of a nursing school in Liberia, we have helped Jesus free people from their captivity to ignorance though they live in faraway places. We are able to do all these things because we work hard at the Yard Sale, the Silent Auction and Peach Festival, the proceeds of which go to support the mission of the church that the Lord has entrusted to us.

All these things we do and so much more because of our relationship with the Lord, a relationship nurtured at our weekly encounters with him in song, in the word, in sacrament, in prayer and in our practice of the different spiritual disciplines, thanks to the Choirs, the Prays Band, Pat, Steve, Pat and Barbara who prepare the sanctuary for us every week, and to Evie, Sally, Audrey, Dawn, Eunice who prepare the bread and the altar for communion. This relationship with him is also nurtured through regular study, fellowship and conversations, thanks to Mike Keller, Eric Edstrom, Vern Renshaw, Sherrie Little, Sally Hight and Carol Hill who help facilitate some of these processes through the years.

So we have much to be thankful for and to be glad about. We are doing the Lord's work. The state of our congregation is strong. For this we thank God; for this I thank you all. But as we face the future, there are certain areas I invite you to look into to grow the church and to further its missionary and evangelistic outreach:

First, is in the area of spiritual growth and development. Committed followers of Jesus are life-long learners. They do not say that everything they've learned about Jesus they've learned in kindergarten. Like the founder of Methodism, John Wesley, we are to take regular opportunities for growth in our relationship with God to heart. We are to nourish and nurture the faith that has been given us through study. Over the years, classes and sessions have been offered regularly for that purpose. Over the years, very few of you have taken advantage of that offering. Please do. Classes provide us the opportunity to grow in the faith and to grow in fellowship with one another as we make the discipleship journey. Taken seriously and given the priority it so rightly deserves, that journey, undertaken alone, is not easy.

Second, is in the area of church education, especially among our youth and children. We are blessed to have members who, even if their own children have graduated from Sunday school long ago, still take care of the education of our children. But we have not had a youth program over the past years, partly because we only had a few of that age. But with the current group of children growing up and the children in our homework and reading program and their older siblings, we have enough to start a tweens and teens group that meets for

education, fellowship and mission. So I invite leadership to seriously consider hiring a part time youth minister for the purpose.

Third, is in the area of missionary and evangelistic outreach. Yes, we are doing a lot. Special thanks go to Scott and Nicole for leading Soul Searchers, now in its 10<sup>th</sup> year under their leadership. As it was originally, so it continues today to be a strong evangelistic outreach to the places they witness to through movement and song; but, we need more hands to do the work needed to faithfully carry out these different mission works. We are blessed by folks in the community, by friends and regular attenders who do them with us, but mission and evangelism is everyone's responsibility and not just of a few. I encourage the leadership of both teams to involve you all in their efforts in these two vital parts of our existence as Christ's church. I pray you will be receptive to their overtures and requests for assistance.

Fourth, is the area of financial giving. Right now, thanks to those who heeded the call your leaders made last year, there has been a slight increase in the giving. But to strengthen our financial base, there is need for those of you who have not done so to step up to this plate. Yes, we have been blessed over the years with groups who share our facility with us and their donations, but we cannot rely on that. In fact, this year we nearly lost one of these sources, and there is no guarantee that any of them will stay for good.

Fifth, we need to work on racial and ethnic diversity. That is the reality of our community today, and if any church including our own is to make it into the future, we need to work more on welcoming the other and the different.

President Clinton in his State of the Union Address on January 27, 2000 quoted President Theodore Roosevelt at the dawn of the last century who said that "the one characteristic more essential than any other [for our nation and our people] is foresight... It should be the growing nation with a future, which takes the long look ahead."

Brothers and sisters, we need the same essential characteristic of foresight in the church. To paraphrase the President, it is the growing church with a future which takes the long look ahead and acts on it which, with the grace of God, will thrive. The faith ancestors of this congregation did it before with the grace of God and their faithfulness to the mission. You will do it again, I am certain. In all that you do henceforth, may God be glorified and this assembly be blessed. Amen.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<b>2</b>  Conversations 9am-Chapel Worship 10am Sun.Sch. 10am	<b>3</b> Bells 7pm	<b>4</b> Homework & Reading 4pm Trustees 6:15pm Admin Council 7:30pm	<b>5</b> Study 10:15am Art Kids 4pm UMW Brown Bag Dinner	<b>6</b> Homework & Reading 4pm Choir 7pm	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Game Night 5:30pm 
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<b>16</b> Conversations 9am-Chapel Worship 10am Sun.Sch. 10am	<b>17</b> Bells 7pm	<b>18</b> Homework & Reading 4pm	<b>19</b> Study 10:15am Food Pantry 1-3pm Art Kids 4pm	<b>20</b> Homework & Reading 4pm ECCO 5:30 Choir 7pm	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> Conversations 9am-Chapel Worship 10am Sun.Sch. 10am	<b>24</b> Bells 7pm UMM Prayer & Pizza 7pm	<b>25</b> Homework & Reading 4pm	<b>26</b> Study 10:15am Lunch EUMC Friends 12:15 @Sammy's Art Kids 4pm	<b>27</b> Homework & Reading 4pm ECCO 5:30pm Choir 7pm	<b>28</b>	 Plan to attend the Pancake Dinner on Shrove Tuesday, March 4 <sup>th</sup> ...



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**Worship Service 10:00 a.m.**  
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**Office Closed 12-1 p.m. for Lunch**



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