

Third Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2009

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Chiming of the Hour

Prelude "O God, Our Faithful God" David Paxton

Lighting of the Candles

Welcome

Welcome to Highland Park. We are excited you came to worship with us this morning. Please sign the red pew pad as it is passed your way. If you are a visitor please add your mailing and email addresses. For those who have little ones, our nursery is available and any usher will be glad to point you in the right direction.

* Hymn of Praise "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" No. 89

* Affirmation of Faith "Apostles' Creed" No. 881

* Gloria Patri No. 70

* Pastoral Prayer

Music from Half Notes Choir Kim Bonnoitt & Tonda Edmunds, directors

Children's Moments Charlotte Messier
3K, 4K, 5K, 1st and 2nd grade children will exit for Children's Church following Children's Moments

* Hymn of Preparation "For the Beauty of the Earth" No. 92

* Passing of the Peace

Special Music

Scripture Matthew 5:6 Pew Bible NT page 4

Sermon "Promise of Righteousness" Ray Litts

Offering/Offertory "Lead Me, Lord, in Thy Righteousness" arr. Rick Parks
All loose coins received are donated to UMCOR

* Doxology No. 94

* Closing Hymn "To God Be the Glory" No. 98

* Going Forth "My Tribute" No. 99
The altar is always open for those who want to come and pray.

* Postlude "Sicilian Melody", 1794 arr. Gordon Young
Thank you for joining us today in worship. We look forward to seeing you next week.

The flowers on the altar this morning are placed by David and Joan Alexander to the glory of God and in honor of their daughter Meredith's birthday.

Hearing assistance devices are available from the ushers. Please see any usher to checkout a unit for use during worship.

*Come join us each Tuesday morning for **Prayer Meeting**. We gather at 9:00 a.m. for an informal but meaningful prayer time.*

***Don't forget to sign up on the 2009 flower calendar.** There are still many dates available for you to remember or honor that special someone in your life.*

Thanks to everyone who attended or helped plan the Senior Luncheon which was held last week. Wonderful entertainment and good food were enjoyed. Thanks to all who make this possible each month!

Everyone is invited to stop by Cold Stone Creamery between 6-8 p.m. on Monday, March 16. Cold Stone will generously donate 15% of their profits from these two hours to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation to help them find a cure for diabetes. We hope we see you there!

There will be an organizational meeting today at 4:00 p.m. for anyone interested in being a part of or finding out more about the new Hospitality Committee. Please contact Charlotte Messier for more information.

Men's Softball practice will begin tomorrow! Anyone who would like to participate can call Michael Prosser #664-8341 to sign up. The first two practices are this week, March 16th and 24th at 8:00 p.m. All practices and games are held at Ebenezer Park.

The Highland Park nursery is in need of a double stroller to replace the worn out stroller currently being used. If you have one that you would like to donate, please contact Erin Rison by calling 453-5085 or email erin.rison@hpumc.net.

Join us for the Family Fellowship Supper Wednesday, March 25th beginning at 5:30 p.m. Rogers BBQ will be furnishing our meal of BBQ chicken, rice w/ either okra & tomatoes or gravy, green beans, corn on the cob, slaw, rolls and dessert. Costs are \$5 adults, \$4 children, and children 3 & under are free. All proceeds will benefit the Children's Ministry of HP and Rebuilding Together/Christmas in April. Please be sure to reserve your spot.

Join us for worship on Thursday, April 9th, 6:00 p.m. at the Maundy Thursday service as we reflect on the promise of Easter.

Sunday, March 15

- 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
- 3:00 p.m. Confirmation Class
- 4:00 p.m. Youth Players

Monday, March 16

- 5:30 p.m. Apostles' Creed Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. UMM
- 8:00 p.m. Men's Softball Practice

Tuesday, March 17

- 9:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting
- 12:00 p.m. Beatitudes Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

Wednesday, March 18

- 9:15 a.m. Kindergarten Chapel
- 3:15 p.m. After School Care Chapel
- 4:30 p.m. Primary Ringers
- 5:00 p.m. Half Notes Choir
- 5:00 p.m. Primary Choristers
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Handbells
- 6:00 p.m. Divorce Care
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 19

- 5:30 p.m. Rebuilding Together Team Meeting

Friday, March 20

- 7:00 a.m. Youth Prayer Breakfast
- 7:00 p.m. Youth Game Night/Fields Center

Saturday, March 21

- 10:00 a.m. Youth Carwash
- 2:00 p.m. UMW Bridal Shower/Fields Center

Sunday, March 22

- 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
- 2:30 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting
- 3:00 p.m. Confirmation Class
- 4:00 p.m. Youth Players
- 4:00 p.m. Children's Ministry Meeting
- 5:00 p.m. UMYF
- 5:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Christian Concert



Today is the last day to place your order for the Children's Ministry fund raiser! The funds raised from this sale will benefit our upcoming Children's Mission Camp and other Children's Ministry programming. Forms can be found at the greeting desk outside the Fields Center or in the Narthex. Checks should be made out to Highland Park UMC with "plant sale" written on the memo line. The plants will be delivered to the church for pick-up on Wednesday, April 1 between 3:00 and 6:00 p.m. We will not have additional plants for sale that day, only pick-up of pre-orders - so please, pre-order all you need. Plants available for this sale are 6" Gerbera daisies (\$8), 8" red geraniums (\$12) and 10" Boston ferns (\$18). These plants are coming from Forest Lake Greenhouse, so they are top quality. Thank you for supporting our efforts!

Stewardship Report: March 8, 2009

Attendance:
 9:00 a.m. 100
 11:00 a.m. 272
Total in Worship: 372
Sunday School: 172
Offering: \$ 11,030.00

