

NELSON MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

March 22, 2009
4th Sunday in Lent

8:00 a.m.
Seasonal Color: Purple

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Informal Moments (Please sign Attendance Pads found in each row) Liturgist

Prelude "How Great Is Our God" (arr. Tornquist) Nancy Ward

* CALL TO WORSHIP

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Leader: Jesus calls us to love our neighbor.

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Leader: And still we wonder -- who is our neighbor?

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Leader: It is also the person who lives on the other side of town.

People: It is the person who is homeless.

Leader: It is the person who is in prison.

People: Our neighbors are like us.

Leader: Our neighbors are nothing like us.

Unison: All these are neighbors, and we are called to show them God's love and care.

* Hymn of Praise "Take Up Thy Cross" Hymnal #415

* An Affirmation of Faith "The World Methodist Social Affirmation" Hymnal #886
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* Gloria Patri *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost!
As it was in the beginning; is now and ever shall be;
World without end, Amen, Amen.* Hymnal #70

A TIME FOR GIVING THANKS

Offering of God's Tithes and Our Gifts

Offertory Sentence Liturgist

Offertory Music "I Surrender All" (arr. House) Nancy Ward

* Doxology Hymnal #95

* Offertory Prayer Pastor Elmer

RISK-TAKING MISSION AND SERVICE Larry Long

* Hymn of Preparation "When We Are Living" Hymnal #356
(English - vs. 1, 2, 4)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastor's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven; hallowed be 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.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

* The Written Word Luke 10:25-37 Pew Bible pg. NT 71-72

The Message "Risk-Taking Mission" Pastor Elmer

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP
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SENT FORTH INTO THE WORLD

* Hymn of Commitment "Here I Am, Lord" Hymnal #593

* Benediction

* Postlude Nancy Ward

* Indicates People Standing (please stand as you are able)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Pastor	Elmer D. McClafin
Organist	Nancy Ward
Liturgist	Bob Koch
Ushers	Sharon Mellor & Mark Mellor
Chancel Choir Director	Debby K. Davis
Parish Nurses	Jan DeGraffenreid, Sandy Halford

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- **Men's Bible Study** - 7:00 p.m. at Steve Solomon's
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just say "Yes!"

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(Acolytes Attend to the Altar Table During the Playing of the Prelude)

Introit "Here I Am, Lord" Chancel Choir

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Children's Message (Children welcomed to the Chancel) Pastor Elmer
Children 5 years old - 3rd grade are welcome to attend Children's Church

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& Christine Salyer

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Choral Anthem "Hear Our Prayer" Chancel Choir

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CONFIRMATION CLASS TO BEGIN IN APRIL

Confirmation is a time when we take a good look at ourselves, our faith, our church, and make some important decisions. We will be starting a new Confirmation class in April after Easter. If you are in the 6th – 12th grades and have not been confirmed, we would like to invite you to be part of this class. There will be weekly class sessions with the pastor, and activity assignments to do with an adult mentor. It will all culminate with a confirmation service on Pentecost Sunday, May 31. If you are interested, please contact the church office by April 3. If you are an adult who is either Safe Sanctuary certified, or can finish the training this month, and would like to be considered as a mentor, contact the pastor at pastoremcc@yahoo.com or through the church office.

College Graduates

Please contact the church office if you have a College Graduate in your family this spring. We would like to be able to congratulate them during Graduation Sunday in May.

UM Summer Church Camp 2009

Missouri Camping and Retreat Ministries has announced the 2009 United Methodist Summer Camp Schedule. Camps are available for kids aged 5 through 18 years. Parents can register on-line at www.mocamps.org. On-line registration is the preferred method. After completing the online registration, please send a note to the church office indicating the name of each camper along with the camp code number. Participants are verified at the end of camp season for final payment from the church.

As in past years, Nelson Memorial is offering 50% financial support for the church family attending all UM 2009 Summer Camps. An “early bird” price is available when registering **before April 16**. Please take advantage of early bird prices; it will save money for you and the church. Call the church office to obtain the voucher code needed for this saving.

PRAYER LIST

March 22, 2009

Mindful of my need to pray and the great opportunity, which exists when people of faith pray together, I will lift up the following in prayer:

NEW ADDITIONS

Claybelle Morris (*health*)

CONTINUED PRAYER

Lamar Bell (*health*)
(Principal of Grace 'n Glory in N.F.)

Ruth Coleman (*health*)

Gwyneth Davis (*health*)

Family of Sandy Halford (*grief*)

Barbara Hughes (*health*)

Bishop Nhanala and family (Mozambique)
(*grief for loss of father*)

Alma Remley (*health*)

Gertrude Simmons (*health*)

Opal Wiseman (*health*)

Harry Wolfe (*health & strength*)
(Judy Powell's father)

Prayers for Government, Armed Forces, and Disaster Relief Personnel

LT senior grade Jimmy Fuemmeler
(stationed at Naval Air Station Oceana,
Virginia Beach, VA, EA18G Growler training)

Major Jeremy Gettings
(attending the Air Command and Staff College
in Montgomery, AL)

Robert Mike Grissum
(deployed to Iraq)

Aaron Von Engeln
(stationed at Ft. Bragg, North Carolina)

Covenant Church of Gondola,
(Mozambique)

40 Days of a fruitful Church

President of the United States
Men & Women of our Armed Forces
Leaders of the World

Please use the Prayer Request Card found in the pews or call the church office to add or remove a prayer concern from the prayer list. Names will remain on the Prayer List for one month. Requests may be made to continue special prayers for a longer period.

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Haiti Mission Breakfast

Come and join us today for our mission breakfast to be served in the Fellowship Hall. Funds raised will be used to support our medical team that will be traveling to Port-au-Prince Haiti on May 18th. This team, being led by Dr. Bob Koch and Judy Long will provide much needed medical care to the neighborhood surrounding the House of Hope girl's home.

Breakfast will be served from 8:00 – 12:00 noon, and the cost: "Free-Will Donation".

Handprints Needed

In the back of the sanctuary you will find a stack of construction paper. We would like for everyone to take a piece of paper, trace and cut out one of your handprints, then write your name on it and return it to the basket in the back of the church. Please make a handprint for each member of your family, don't forget to write your name on it, we are going to do something special with these for Easter.

Scrapbooking

There will be a scrapbooking and card making evening Wednesday, **March 25th** at 7:00 p.m. at Cindy Koch's white house, 312 Center. We will have fun and fellowship and you don't have to be creative to attend and have fun. All materials will be provided at the meeting. Hope to see you there. If you have any questions or need directions, call Cindy Koch at 882-6273 or Carol Harris at 882-7831.

Next Sunday's Focus: Extravagant Generosity

Next Sunday, the focus of our worship will be Extravagant Generosity. Generosity means an unselfish willingness to give for the purposes of Christ. But what does it mean for us to give *extravagantly*, going beyond expectations? During the coming week, remember to be reading the seven devotions and prayers on Extravagant Generosity in *Cultivating Fruitfulness*. We encourage households and friends to read the Scriptures, pray the prayers together, and take the daily challenge. We'll find new ways to see the extravagance of God in our lives.

Friday Fun Night

Friday Fun Night will be held on **April 3rd** from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in fellowship hall. This month's theme will be Easter Egg Dyeing. Bring your favorite snack, drink, and game and don't forget to invite your friends, family, and co-workers for this wonderful time of fellowship. EVERYONE of all ages are welcomed! If you have any questions please contact Jennifer Jones at 882-6838 or jenniferjones4307@sbcglobal.net.

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The Giving Tree

The Giving Tree has been restocked with stars for the Harvest House. Please pick a star & contribute to this worthy mission. Thank YOU in advance as always.

The Outreach Committee

KIDS HOPE USA "Story of the Week"

The first session between Caren and Miss Myra, her KIDS HOPE USA mentor, was a wonderful success. It meant so much for Caren to know that this caring woman was there just for her. Miss Myra was her friend! Caren did not want the hour to end.

When the bell rang, Caren said, "Miss Myra, can we just pretend that the bell didn't ring?"

- Our Mission -

KIDS HOPE USA builds caring relationships...
one child, one hour, one church, one school.