


The Clen-Moore


Messenger


 The Way, the Truth,
 and the Life.
March, 2020



With the arrival of March, we are squarely into the season of Lent. Like the many annual holidays we celebrate in the life of the church, it can be easy to slip into mindless routines and mindsets that we associate with these different seasons. We never intend to make these special events seem regular—but sometimes we need to make a change or shift in our lives to notice what God is up to in our lives.

Lent is one of the best times to make this shift. It is a common tradition to fast or “give up” something for Lent. This tradition is meant to emulate the temptation and fast of Jesus in his 40 days and nights in the wilderness as found in Matthew 4. In these 40 days and nights of Lent, we are challenged to live the words of Mark 8:34-35, that *“If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.”*

While fasting and other traditional ways of walking the journey of Lent may be helpful for us, we remember that it is a journey that eventually leads to the cross on which Jesus has died. As we walk this road together, do not fear traveling deeper into the depths of the wilderness. It may bring us to some dark and scary places. This sounds bad, but it can be very good! When we push the boundaries of our own comfort, we begin to discover the ever present work of the Lord Jesus in the smallest corners of our lives.

Be sure to set aside more moments this Lenten season to remove obstacles, distractions, and busyness to make room for the Holy Spirit to search the depths of your heart. Also remember that while this journey brings us to the cross, remember what is on the other side—victory over death and darkness. It is when we let go of our own desires and ambitions that the grace and salvation of God breaks into our lives. Use this season to let God break in!

Pastors Aaron and Michael

ANNUAL MANDATORY CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS TRAINING will take place immediately after worship on **Sunday, March 22nd**. This annual training is mandated for all those who volunteer with our children and youth under 18 years of age in anyway and at anytime. You will need to fill out the necessary paper work that will be provided (The Clen-Moore Covenant and the Swear and Affirm Form). This training is NOT a renewal of your "Clearances." We will check your clearances and let you know when they need to be renewed as they are good for up to 60 months.




Date to Remember:

March 24, 2020—Life Line Screening at our church (more information to follow).

Clen Moore Church will be hosting Lifeline, a group who offers preventive tests to check cardiovascular health. It will be done here at the church on **March 2, 2020**. Pink fliers with more information are in the Welcome Center and entrances to the church. By hosting this event, our members and friends will receive exclusive pricing and preferred appointment times. There are also 4 complimentary screenings available. Please sign up at:

<https://www.lifelinescreening.com/community.circle/> - Or call 1-888-653-6450 for an appointment.





To everyone who worked or donated to the Smith Memorial luncheon—**A HUGE MEGA THANK YOU...**
~Bereavement Committee

C.2G.S. Jr./Sr. High Sunday School continues our study on the lives of Bible Characters. This month we will study the lives of King David, Mary & Martha, and Ruth. All are welcome! Snacks are now available during class.



FlipSide & K.F.C.

Sunday, March 1st—They're back! "Nerf Wars" from 3:30—6:00 PM. We will have another night of nerf wars. Including in this night we will have pizza and other snacks, and a Bible study on "The Battle for Our Souls." Friends are welcome.

Sunday, March 15th - "Minute-To-Win-It" game night from 4:00—5:30 PM in the youth room. We will play a variety of fun and off the wall games that will have a variety of prizes with them. Snacks and Bible study included. We'll focus on how we can break through the noisiness of the world and listen for God.



Prime Timers will be starting up again on **Tuesday, March 3rd at 9:30 am** in the parlor. We will be studying "Angels and Demons" to start us off. Hope to see you there...



MESSENGER DEADLINE FOR APRIL IS MARCH 13TH

DAILY BIBLE READINGS



MARCH

First Sunday in Lent

- 1 Psalm 12
- 2 Luke 8.22-39
- 3 Luke 8.40-56
- 4 Luke 9.1-17
- 5 Isaiah 45.1-25
- 6 Isaiah 46.1-13
- 7 Isaiah 47.1-15

Second Sunday in Lent

- 8 Psalm 13
- 9 Isaiah 54.1-17
- 10 Isaiah 55.1-13
- 11 Luke 9.18-36
- 12 Luke 9.37-62
- 13 Luke 10.1-24
- 14 Luke 10.25-42

Third Sunday in Lent

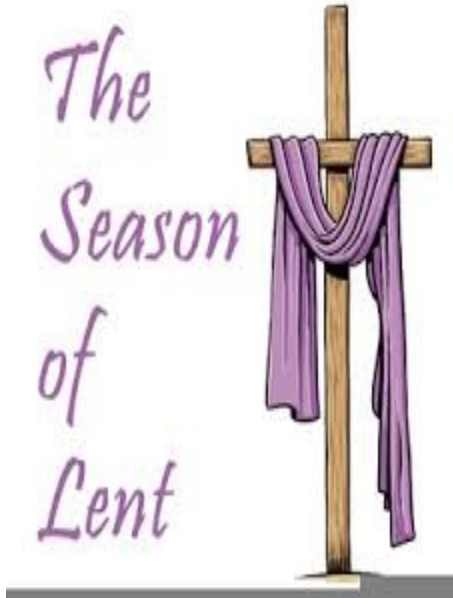
- 15 Psalm 14
- 16 Luke 11.1-28
- 17 Luke 11.29-54
- 18 Luke 12.1-34
- 19 Luke 12.35-59
- 20 Luke 13.1-35
- 21 Luke 14.1-35

Fourth Sunday in Lent

- 22 Psalm 15
- 23 Luke 15.1-32
- 24 Luke 16.1-31
- 25 Luke 17.1-37
- 26 Luke 18.1-30
- 27 Luke 18.31-43
- 28 Luke 19.1-27

Fifth Sunday in Lent

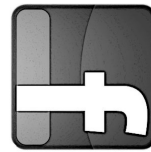
- 29 Psalm 16
- 30 Isaiah 56.1-12
- 31 Isaiah 57.1-21





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Footsteps to the Cross Women's Bible Study

6 Wednesdays of Lent beginning **March 4th**.
We will begin at 6:00pm with walking - followed by
Bible Study at 6:30pm in the Welcome Center.
Babysitting will be provided upon request.



News from the Christian Education Committee

We want to welcome Nancy Natale who has assumed the role of the Jr. Department (4th-6th Grade) Sunday School Teacher. She is replacing Sarah Zaruba, who has recently moved to Wisconsin with her husband Kirill.

The children and youth Sunday school classrooms are blessed with folks willing to assume leadership roles either regularly or periodically as a substitute. Those volunteering in these positions are: Becky Reese, Karen Oliphant, Barbara Van Horn, Jen Conrad, Elissa Cowher, Nancy Natale, Bob Turner, Michelle Turner, Amy Plyler, Amy Ball, Nick Keefer, Amy Allshouse, and Janice McConnell.



SAVE THE DATE

March 3rd
Prime Timers Resumes

March 4th
Women's Lenten Bible Study Begins

March 8th
Lou's Breakfast

March 22nd
Combined Service/Communion

March 24th
Lifeline Screening/FH 8:30am-5:30pm

March Deacons of the month:
Amy Ball & Elaine Meyers

March Sunday Driver:
David & Amy Ball 724.652.2940

If you are in need of transportation to worship, please call the church office at 724.654.6657. If you are interested in driving, please contact Amy Ball at 724.652.2940.





Shenango Soup Sale

Friday, March 27th & Saturday, March 28th
10:00—12:00 Pick-Up

Orders for the soup sale—please call the Shenango Church office at (724) 654-2322 by **Wednesday, March 25th**. Please leave your name, phone number, how many quarts you wish to purchase and what day you will pick up your order.

Soup choices are:

- Chicken Noodle**
- Vegetable Beef**
- Stuffed Pepper**
- Chili**
- \$6.00 per quart**

