

**FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
MAPLE LEAF PARISH
FEBRUARY 12, 2012
9:00 A.M.**

The asterisk () indicates those times in the worship when those who are able are invited to stand, if you choose to do so.*

PRELUDE

MISSION PRESENTATION

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please pass the attendance registration pads. We ask all members, as well as our guests, to fill out the information.)

***CALL to WORSHIP**

L: Today we gather to celebrate our common faith in the God who is ever present in our lives!

P: We trust God to stand by us in our struggles and help us change, grow, and give.

L: Let us seek and find in God the sort of relationship that will give life meaning and fill it with challenge.

P: May God's Spirit lead us in our worship this morning, as well as in the ordinary moments of each passing day.

***HYMN of PRAISE** *"Hymn of Promise"* UMH 707

***UNISON PRAYER of CONFESSION**

Almighty God, we confess that we are often swept up in the tide of our generation. We have failed in our calling to be your holy people, a people set apart for your divine purpose. We live more in apathy born of fatalism than in passion born of hope. We are moved more by private ambition than by a desire for justice. We dream more of privilege and benefits than of service and sacrifice. We try to speak in your name without relinquishing our glories, without nourishing our souls, without relying wholly on your grace. Help us to make room in our hearts and lives for you. Forgive us, revive us, and reshape us in your image. Amen.

***ASSURANCE of PARDON**

THE SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

SNGING *"O Lord, You're Beautiful"* TFWS 2064

THE SCRIPTURE Mark 1:40-45

THE MESSAGE "Can You Keep a Secret?"

***HYMN** *"Since Jesus Came into My Heart"* TFWS 2140

SHARING of JOYS and CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

OUR 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.

THE RECEIVING of our TITHES and OFFERING

Offertory Music

Presentation of our Offering

**Doxology (No. 95 UMH)*

**Prayer (Unison)*

O God, you call us to love you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, and to make you our highest priority. Receive these gifts, our money and our lives, as an expression of our desire to walk fully in your love. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** *"There's Within My Heart a Melody"* UMH 380

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

THIS WEEK:

Wednesday, February 15th, 9:30 AM Rachel Circle at Hillside Apts.

Wednesday, February 15th, 7:00 PM Pre-Confirmation class.

Thursday, February 16th, 1:30 PM Ruth Circle at Lois Bevings.

NEW for VALENTINE'S DAY. We have a new chocolate bar available just outside the Sanctuary: Organic Dark Chocolate Caramel Crunch with Sea salt. Here's the bar to satisfy both her sweet and salty cravings. Made from cacao from co-operatives in the Dominican Republic and Peru and with fairly traded organic sugar from farmer co-operatives in Paraguay. Soy and gluten free. Also check out the expanded selection of coffee, including decafe.

DAFFODIL TIME

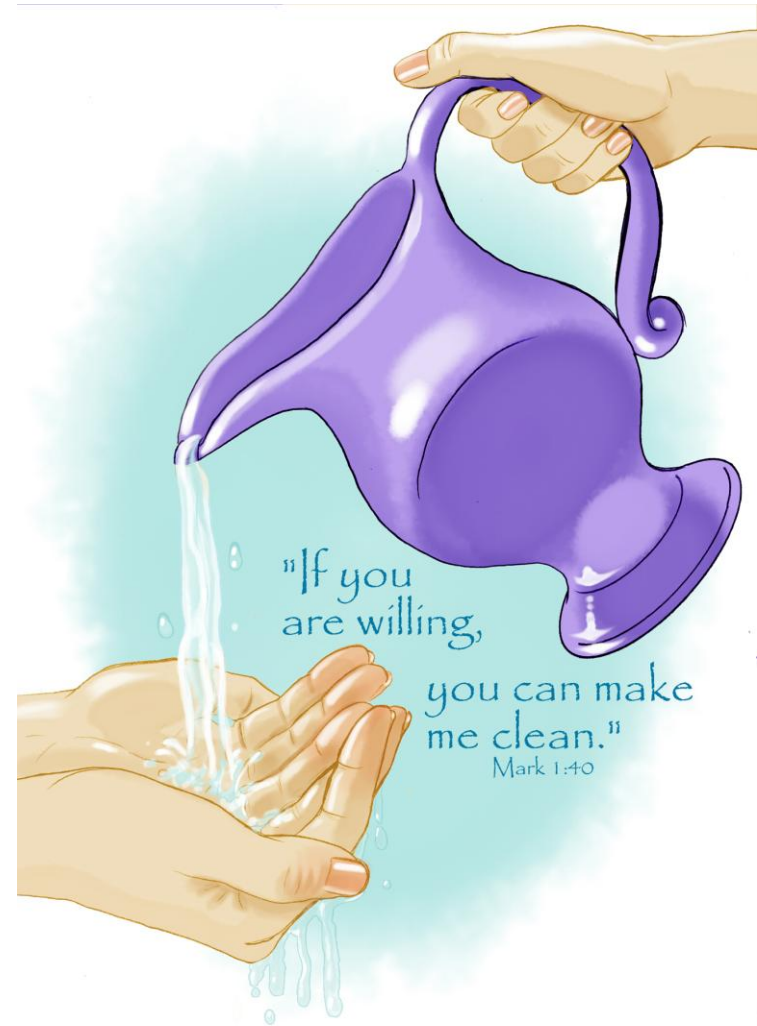
Please order your daffodils by Sunday, February 12th. Orders will be taken before and after worship. Make checks payable to the American Cancer Society. Daffodils will be delivered to the church, Wednesday afternoon, March 14th. Give daffodils. Give hope. Questions? Contact Nancy Cornell (346-2044) or Darlene Vrieze (346-2074).

ONE GREAT HOUR of SHARING

February 19, 2012 - "Let them thank the Lord for His steadfast Love, for his wonderful works to humankind." Psalm 107:8. A special offering will be received for One Great Hour of Sharing on this date. The needs are great for many suffering people. Please be generous. Make checks payable to "FUMC" and write "One Great Hour" in the memo.

LENTEN PLANS! This year's cooperative Lenten Services will begin with an Ash Wednesday Service in Cherry Grove on February 22nd. While our initial gathering will be a more traditional Ash Wednesday service, this year's sermon series will be built around the theme of *Giving It Up*, as we look not at *things* that we might give up for Lent (and for good) but at some of the attitudes, beliefs, and ways of living that Jesus calls us to leave behind. This year's services will be held on Wednesday evenings, beginning with a light meal (soup & bread) at 6:30 and worship at 7:00 PM. The remainder of our Lenten schedule is still being worked out as we wait to see whether or not our Fountain congregation wants to host a service this year.

PLEASE NOTE that the Sunday School Sledding Party that was scheduled for this afternoon at GEV has been canceled due to the lack of snow cover!



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