FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

<u>8:30AM</u> <u>11AM</u>

GREETERS: Joy Grimm & John Moxley Donna Upton, Randi Carlisle & Cindy Saylor

LITURGISTS: Joy Grimm Annie Miller

NEXT WEEK (FEBRUARY 28)

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For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves younot as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him. (1 Peter 3:18-22)

THANK YOU! – Your continued financial support as we navigate these unprecedented and difficult times is <u>very</u> much appreciated.

"SOUPER" BOWL XI – FINAL SCORE: "Organ" Side: 303 / "Screen" Side: 353 Congratulations to both sides, a combined total of 656 containers of soup were donated to Carroll County Food Sunday to warm the hearts and bodies of our needy neighbors during these cold winter months. Thank you for your wonderful generosity. Please remember that hunger is always with us and that it is a privilege to be able to help. Continue to put "FOOD SUNDAY" on your grocery shopping list every week and bring one or two non-perishable food items for the shopping cart.

<u>SEEKERS CLASS</u> – begins today, studying the book "Why? Making Sense of God's Will" by Adam Hamilton, meets @ 9:45AM in the Sanctuary. Copies of the book are on the narthex table. The books are labeled with the names of those who indicated they would like a copy, and there are also a few extras for anyone else. Please check off or add your name to the pick-up list. The cost is \$10.00. Deposit cash or check (made out to the church with "Sunday school book" on the note line) in the box slot. This is a great read on a subject that challenges all of us! Contact: Joy Grimm (443-506-3209 cell/text)

<u>VIDEO CAMERA TRAINING</u> – **TODAY!** Sunday, February 21 @ 1PM in the sanctuary. We'd like to have as many people as possible trained. If you have an interest in helping with our online ministry please consider getting trained. Contact is Pastor John.

<u>BLANKETS+ AND CHURCH WORLD SERVICE TOOLS</u> - February is the month to blanket the world with love. Your donation enables Church World Service to provide blankets, food, shelter, safe water and other tools of hope when disaster happens.

<u>2020 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS</u> – Statements have been mailed. If you have not received yours, please contact Ruth Myers, financial secretary or the church office.

OFFERING ENVELOPES – In your January/February packet of envelopes is an *Initial Offering* envelope, donations given in this envelope help to defray the cost of the envelope program. It costs about \$10 per person to mail out the envelopes throughout the year.

<u>CHURCH CALENDARS</u> – The 2021 church calendars are here! Ordered calendars are on the table in the narthex. You can pick them up on Sunday or when the church is open (Monday, Tuesday & Thursday from 11AM-3PM). Extra calendars are available for purchase. Any questions contact Cindy Saylor or Bev Snyder. Thanks to all who supported this fundraiser. Bev & Helen Redding

WESTMINSTER COLD WEATHER SHELTER - Collection boxes in the narthex for food items and socks & new underwear. THEY NEED EVERYTHING! Contacts are Ginny Weaver & Janet Wallett.

<u>AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE</u> – Tuesday, March 9 at Calvary UMC in Gamber, from 2:30-7:30PM. Please call to schedule your life saving donation to Gary Saylor 443-465-1023 or Dorothy Cotoia 443-522-2248, or go to <u>redcrossblood.org/rapidpass</u>. Thanks for saving a life!

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LENTEN BIBLE STUDY - Begins Wednesday, February 24 @ 1PM. The book being used is "The Walk" by Adam Hamilton. No need to sign up, just show up! Contact is Pastor John.

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TRUSTEES – No meeting. Contact is Bill Aldridge.

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INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY - A "ONE CALL NOW" message will be sent by 7:30AM Sunday morning, if worship services are cancelled or changed. You can also check the church phone 410-848-2313 for an updated message.

WORSHIP SERVICES – Two services **8:30AM** & **11AM**, in the Sanctuary. We are following the CDC guidelines for your safety. We take attendance & temperatures at both services and you must wear a mask, masks are available if you don't have one or forgot yours. Hand sanitizer is also available. Please observe social distancing. Pews are marked to aid in maintaining social distancing. A collection box is at the double doors for your offering.

<u>UPPER ROOM DEVOTIONALS</u> – Available in the narthex. If you need one contact Cindy Saylor. Additional Upper Room resources are available on the website https://www.upperroom.org/covid-19.

AMERICAN FLAGS - If you have a torn or worn American Flag that you would like discarded, please give to Cindy Saylor in the church office. Carroll Hospice is collecting them for a new program called "Stars for our Troops". Give Gary Saylor a call on 443-465-1023 with questions. For more information about this program, you can go to www.starsforourtroops.org.

<u>ONE CALL NOW</u> - We use this system to inform our members of those who are requesting prayers and send church information including updates to services and building closures. If you are not receiving phone calls and/or emails and would like to be added to the list, please contact Cindy Saylor (410-375-5955).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! – We are working on enhancing the video taping of our church services. If you are interested in helping with this effort, please contact Pastor John at 240-285-5965 or jdpreacher@outlook.com.

<u>CHURCH PROJECTS</u> – Funds are still needed for the new playground. Mark contributions with a note/memo: <u>Playground</u>. Thanks for your support of the children!

BRING YOUR CAN TO CHURCH - Or box or plastic jar--of food! Let's keep the grocery cart full with our donations for Carroll County Food Sunday by bringing at least one non-perishable item every Sunday. Donors are encouraged to give the kind of nutritious food they would serve their own families. The CCFS Wish List includes: Peanut Butter; Jelly; Hot or Cold Cereal; Canned Soup (non-tomato preferred); Beans (red & black); Pancake Mix; Pancake Syrup. Thanks to all for reaching out to our neighbors in need.

FEED MY SHEEP – FMS has converted to carryout meals only. Gary Saylor has taken on the leadership role. If you want to help, contact Gary on 443-465-1023. Financial donations continue to help provide food and supplies. Please mark your donation to FMS.

Please submit bulletin announcements by Thursday, 11:00AM to the Office

Prayer Chain: Shirley Miller (Coordinator) 410-861-8292 Chain I Kate Gorsuch 410-876-2745 / Chain II Brenda Six 410-756-2507 Flag raising & lowering: Gary Saylor





Here are some examples of the crafts the kids have been doing in February, all about God's love.

Jill Janocha



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