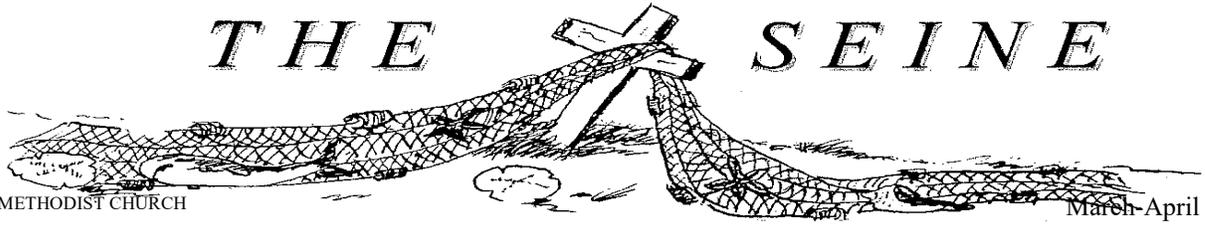


# THE SEINE



GROOME UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

March-April 2020

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*From the  
Pastor's Pen*

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"The course of human history is determined not by what happens in the skies but by what takes place in our hearts." *Sir Arthur Keith*

In March of 1978, Richard Bloch, the cofounder of H&R Block was riding the crest of a great wave of success and fulfillment. A young and vibrant executive, he was at the top of the world. He went to see a physician because he had a sore arm and couldn't hold a tennis racket. Next thing he knew, he was dying of cancer. He was stunned and asked if there was any place he could go that could offer treatment. The answer was, no. The doctor was convinced that no one, at any location, could offer any treatment because this particular clinic knew everything there was to know about this type of cancer.

After five days without hope, Bloch decided he was not about to give up. He sought another opinion, and the doctor confirmed the diagnosis but promised a cure. "You are a very sick boy," the doctor said, "But we are going to cure you so you can work for cancer."

The doctor was good to his word. Two years later, Richard Bloch went home cured. Realizing he owed a huge debt to which money was not the answer, Bloch set about to find a way that he could be instrumental for the successful treatment of cancer. While knowing nothing about the cause or treatment of cancer, he did know a considerable amount how to fight the dreaded disease; so he went to work.

Bloch was a born entrepreneur with an Ivy League degree in finance from the Wharton School. After the bout with cancer, he resigned his position as chairman of H&R Block. He started a cancer hot line, establishing a support center at the University of Missouri, and designed a computer program to improve the treatment of cancer patients by making the latest research and treatment protocols instantly available to all.

What he learned was that what half of the doctors who graduated ten years previously were told was untreatable could now be treated. Identifying every possible kind of treatment for every kind of cancer – over eight hundred – and put them in a giant computer base so every doctor in the country could have access to the latest information, offering a remarkable solution to the problem. People were dying not because the treatment was not there but because the doctor treating the specific patient simply did not know about the treatment. Bloch's efforts were so successful that the National Cancer Institute adopted this program in 1984. This organization estimated that at that time, more than forty thousand lives a year would be saved as a result. Bloch summed up his efforts thus: "My goal is very narrow. I want to help the next person who gets cancer get the very best treatment. I know that's not the most important thing. I would find a cure for cancer if I could. But this is where we have some expertise and where we can be constructive."

To the end of his life, Richard Bloch personally provided the resources for his crusade. He would be in his office every morning between 4:30 and 5:00 am, much earlier than he ever came in when he was in business. "That's because the rewards are far greater. Saving just one life makes it all worthwhile." He discovered what really matters. It is truly amazing what human industry and ingenuity can produce if it puts its collective efforts behind a project that is greatly beneficial to all.

*In His Service, Will*

***Stewardship Message from your Finance Committee***

*For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink...  
I was a stranger and you welcomed me..." Matt.25:35*

"Oh, God, when I have food, help me to remember the hungry; when I have work, help me to remember the jobless; when I have a warm home, help me to remember the homeless; when I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer; and remembering, help me to destroy my complacency and bestir my compassion. Make me concerned enough to help, by word and deed, those who cry out for what we take for granted." *Samuel F. Pugh*

Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise. *Luke 3:11.*  
The act of giving, the act of sharing, an act of thanksgiving, an act of grace, an act of faith has been a cornerstone of Christian life since the very beginning.

"And whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple, truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward." *Matthew 10:42*

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." *Matthew 11:28.*

The apostle Peter wrote, "Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without complaining. Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you have received." *1 Peter 4:8-10.*

John Wesley in his sermon, "The Use of Money", preached that you should earn all you can, save all you can and give all you can. John Wesley's rules for living:

"Do all the good you can,  
By all the means you can,  
In all the ways you can,  
At all the times you can,  
To all the people you can."

Stewardship may be defined simply as how we use our bodies, minds, spirits, time, talent and all resources, including finance and other material gifts as servants of God. It is also to support God's church and other mission stations as places of worship; learning, service and Christian fellowship. Paul wrote: "It is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy." *1 Corinthians. 4:2.*

**PRAYER:**

*Dear Lord, help us to have the spiritual strength to serve you with our whole being, body, mind and spirit.  
In Christ's name Amen.*

**God Looks at the Heart**

Our outward appearance doesn't matter at all to Jesus.  
He nurtures the beauty in our hearts.

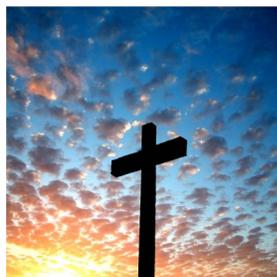
**Jesus as Light**

Jesus is the candle. We are the mirror that reflects His  
light to the world.

***2020 Easter Services at Groome***

PALM SUNDAY SERVICE  
APRIL 5, 10:00 AM

MAUNDY THURSDAY  
APRIL 9, 7:00 PM



GOOD FRIDAY  
CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER  
APRIL 10, NOON

EASTER WORSHIP  
April 12, 10:00 AM



**GROOME ANCHOR COFFEE HOUSE**

Groome is proud of the Anchor Coffee House, which benefits the “New Ministries Outreach” programs and brings new people to the church!

We have been blessed with wonderful musicians, singers & songwriters. We also offer lectures and workshops. Come meet friends and visitors who love music, as we do.

**Upcoming Concerts for 2020**

**Performances Scheduled—Coffee House Opens 6 PM**

**Saturday, March 14 @ 7:00 p.m.**

**“Celtic Nations Music Celebration” \$10 @ DOOR**

Full stage production of local musicians, performing Celtic music of Ireland, Scotland, Isle of Man, Wales, Cornwall, Brittany & Galicia.

**Saturday, March 24, 2020 @ 7-8:30 p.m.**

**\$5 Suggested Donation**

**“StorySLAM”**

**Hosts: Bob McNamara, Mike and Lorraine Messitt**

Have you ever wept, laughed or stopped in your tracks listening to a story? Has a story ever opened your heart or made you see the world in a different way? If the answer is “yes”, then we invite you to come listen to the Storytellers or... Tell Your Story!

Upcoming events are available on the Anchor Coffee House or Groome UMC Facebook page or Groome UMC website.

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[www.facebook.com/groomechurchlewes](http://www.facebook.com/groomechurchlewes)

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**“Groome UMC Women’s Ministry”**  
**Thursday, March 12, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m.**  
*Lead by Sherry Massey*  
*This month’s Message*  
**“Let Me Call You Sweetheart”**



**March—April**

Judy Miller	03/02
Pamela Hopkins	03/03
Jeff Weitzel	03/03
Connie Shockley	03/04
Michael Martz	03/06
Karen Hefke	03/11
Jennie Hansen	04/15
Jessica Hansen	04/15
Debra Crossan	04/20
Jake Kessler	04/26



**March—April**

Eugene & Marlene McCoy	03/01	(68)
Barry & Joan Dietz	03/10	(58)
Hugh & Flo Council	04/02	(65)
Dick & Connie Todd	04/15	(31)

*Please notify the church office of any changes or additions.*

**“In Memory of Loved Ones”**

*Nancy Hood Catanach*  
 12-18-1930—12-01-2019

*Anne Louise Bunting*  
 06-01-1929—01-18-2020

*Edward “That Eddie” Sheppard*  
 12-31-1944—01-22-2020



**LEWES “GOOD FRIDAY” CROSS WALK**

April 10, 10:00-11:30 AM

Beginning at Bethel United Methodist Church

Walking the Historic District-14 stops

At each stop—Reading scripture and singing a verse from hymns

**2020 COMMUNITY EASTER EVENTS & SERVICES**

Easter Sunrise Service

Sunday, April 12, 6:30 AM

Lewes Beach Front

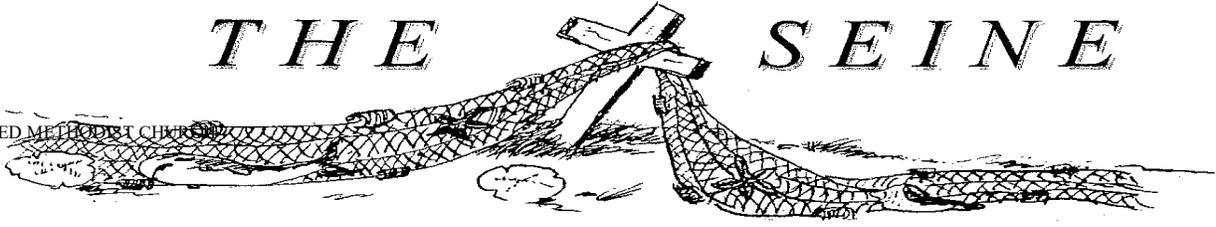


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Groome United Methodist Church  
Pastor: Reverend Dr. Will Crossan

Sunday Worship Service—Sunday, 10:00 AM-11:00 AM  
Children's Church & Nursery

Mid-Week Gathering—Thursday 11:30 AM-1:00 PM  
Soup & Sandwiches/Bible Study  
(September-May)

**"Our Vision is to enhance people's belief in  
Jesus Christ so they live a life of holiness and service to others."**

**Anchor Coffee House & Concerts-Monthly**

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