

**March**

# **Community United Methodist Church**

## **March Sermon Series**

**March 1, 2026 -- Incarnation: An Invitation to Union**

**Jesus' birth is what unites us with God**

**Scriptures: Matthew 1:20-23, 1 Timothy 1:15, Mark 15:37-39**

**March 8, 2026 - Moral Exemplar: The Power to Follow**

**Jesus models for us the life that is united with God**

**Scriptures: Matthew 5:48 and John 15:12-14**

**March 15, 2026 - Substitution: Taking Our Rightful Place**

**Jesus takes on the punishment that we deserve for sin.**

**Scriptures: Romans 6:23, Hebrews 9:22, Mark 14:22-24**

**March 22, 2026 - Ransom: Freedom Bought**

**Jesus gives his life as a ransom thus freeing us to be united with God**

**Mark 10:45, 1 John 3:8, Galatians 5:1; Hebrews 2:14**

**March 29, 2026 - Palm Sunday - Christus Victor: The Power of Love**

**Jesus unites with God by overcoming the forces of evil, sin, and death.**

**Scriptures: Colossians 2:13-15, Galatians 3:13-14**

**April 3, 2026 - Good Friday**

**April 5, 2026 - Easter Sunday - Resurrection - Jesus unites us with God by offering new life.**

# Finance

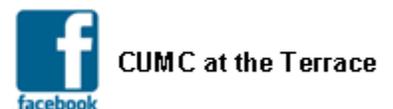
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# March Birthdays



Paula Smith	03/01
Stevie Campbell	03/02
Nancy Jarvis	03/06
Joe Cravens	03/09
Wayne Leslie	03/11
Summer Herring	03/12
Buddy Watson	03/13
Laura Haislip	03/18
Kelly White	03/20
Mikey Wilmoth	03/20
Kristin Radulovich	03/25
Mary Ann Hufteling	03/30
Pastor Josh	03/30



# Church Office

**Email: [office@community-umc.net](mailto:office@community-umc.net)**

The Church Office is open by appointment only. Currently, there is volunteer coverage on Monday and Wednesday.

- To schedule an event on the church calendar, send an email to the office. Include date requested, rooms to be used, and beginning/ending time for reservation.
- Sunday worship slides must be received by the office before 12:00 PM on Wednesday to be included in the following Sunday slides.

Thursday Email announcements must be received by 9:00 AM on Thursdays. Send to:  
[pastorjosh@community-umc.net](mailto:pastorjosh@community-umc.net)

- The third Thursday of the month is the deadline for newsletter articles.
- If you would like your picture in the church directory, it can be emailed to the office. Directories are available on the table in the Narthex.
- If you would like your birthday in the monthly newsletter, please email the month/day to the office. If you are not currently included, we do not have your date in church records.

## Stewardship

March brings a welcome shift into spring. Longer days, warmer sunshine, and the feeling that something new is right around the corner. After months of gray skies and cold mornings, it's refreshing to see signs of life again.

Spring has a way of lifting our spirits and reminding us that new beginnings are always possible. It's a great time to pause, take a breath, and thank God for His faithfulness through every season.

Just as the earth begins to bloom with a little care and attention, our faith and our church community grow when we invest in them. The time we give, the encouragement we offer, and the resources we share all make a difference. As we step into this new season, let's look for simple ways to be faithful with what God has entrusted to us and trust Him to bring the growth.

**Stevie Campbell**



# FUEL



## Adult Sunday School March 2026

We are in the season of Lent now, a somber season of reflection and repentance. On Good Friday we will be reminded of the atoning sacrifice that Jesus made to reconcile humanity to God. Most of us can recite John 3:16, but do we understand the expansiveness of Christ's saving work on the cross? What if the cross isn't a transaction to be explained, but a living Word from God meant to transform how we live?

Join us in Adam Hamilton's 6 week study "Why did Jesus Have to Die?". Sunday school meets in the Upper room at 10:30 am.



## March 2026 Hiking Ministry

The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands." –  
Psalm 19:1

Do you see evidence of God in creation? When you are outside, do you feel more connected to the Lord who designed the petals of each flower and calls each star by name? We are so blessed to live in an area that proclaims the majesty, beauty and wonder of God each and every day.

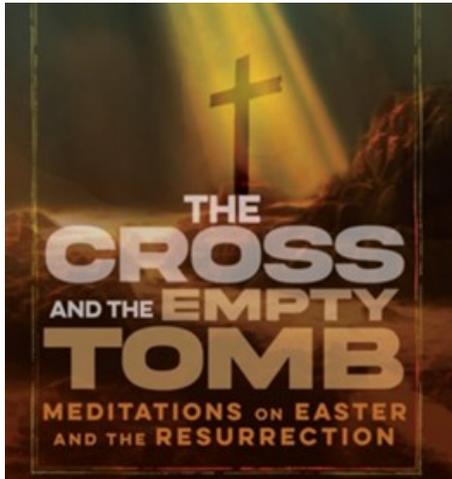
The FUEL(Faith, Unity, Education and Love) committee will once again be offering opportunities to gather and participate in hikes around 1-2 miles long. Families and people of all ages are welcome, and paths chosen will be moderately easy and dog friendly. The hikes will be led by Kathryn MacLeod and include a short devotional time . Participants are encouraged to bring water, wear sunscreen and bring a snack if desired. The upcoming hike will take place on Saturday, March 7 at 10 am. The meeting spot for the March hike will be at the blue cross at the trailhead of Washington Heights church(1770 E 6200 S). For more information on the hikes, contact Kathryn MacLeod at [horsespoodles@gmail.com](mailto:horsespoodles@gmail.com) or 801-719-7614.

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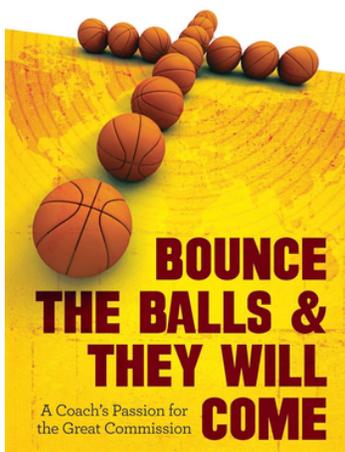
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## March Free Resources



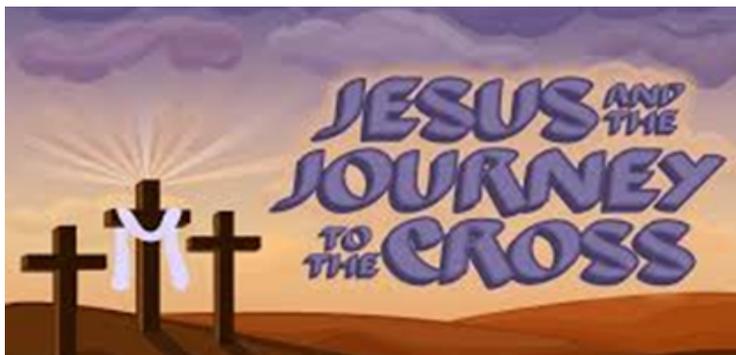
The FUEL (Faith, Unity, Education and Love) committee realizes that many use Lent as a season to draw closer to God. It is our hope that the free resource "The Cross and the Empty Tomb" will help you do this. In devotions spanning the period of Christ's birth to the resurrection, Freeman uses Bible verses, notable Christian quotations, brief essays, and prayers to create meditations on the Savior as the cornerstone of your life - today, tomorrow, and forever.

Betty Wiseman  
*Hall of Fame Coach*



This month, the FUEL team offers a bonus for all of you who love March Madness: "Bounce the Balls & They Will Come: A Coach's Passion for the Great Commission" by Betty Wiseman. Evangelism has many forms for today's Christians. Some use tracts, others use memorized plans of salvation. Betty Wiseman uses a basketball. Betty Wiseman, a Hall of Fame coach, is a walking, talking, dribbling testimony of the love of Jesus. She has led sports teams to numerous countries in South America and Europe and used a bouncing ball to tell a lost world about the love of Christ. Through her globe-trotting adventures, you will see just how simple sharing your faith can be when you use something

# Children and Youth Ministry



**Come One Come All!**

There will be an Easter party on March 28th 2 pm-4 pm. We will be doing The Journey to the Cross. We will also be doing some crafts that we need lots of help with!!

Everyone is invited!

If you would like to help please contact Audrey [childrenandyouth@community-umc.net](mailto:childrenandyouth@community-umc.net) or Lori Dalton at [daltonlorio@gmail.com](mailto:daltonlorio@gmail.com)

## **VBS (Vacation Bible School)**

Please remember to sign up to volunteer. There are positions for all talents, both before and during VBS. The first meeting is on March 14<sup>th</sup>, Noon - 2:00 PM.

Lunch will be served .

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## **Youth**

We will be hiding 75 Little Jesus' around the Church until Easter. Feel free to move Him to a new place, bringing a smile to another person in a different spot in the Church, keep Him for yourself (please only keep 1), or give Him to someone who could use some extra love. We hope this brings joy to you all, as everybody needs a little Jesus in their lives! 😊

# XYZ CUMC

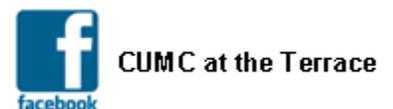


The monthly XYZ luncheon will be held at Taggart's Grill, 1105 Taggart Ln, Morgan, Utah. on Wednesday March 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:00AM. Signup sheet is on table in narthex.



## Men's 2 or More

Saturday March 21st  
9:00 AM Upper Room  
Watch Thursday Email for  
Program Information



# Hands & Feet

## 20,000 Meals Saturday, MARCH 21ST.

We went with a different company this year, THE OUTREACH PROGRAM. Same setup, but we will be building 3 different meals.....Apple Cinnamon Oatmeal, Minestrone Soup, and Mac n Cheese. These will then be given to our local food bank. This is saving us money by not having to do return shipping.

Each meal will be fortified with vitamins and still feed six people.

This outreach is made possible through our 2 boutiques we put on each year.  
Thank you to everyone who donated, shopped, or volunteered and made this possible.

Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex. Childcare will be provided.

Any questions about this activity, call Rhonda at 801-388-7013

### FAMILY PROMISE NEWS

We will no longer be hosting at our church, but will be providing dinner during our weeks at their new building in Harrisville.

MARCH 29-APRIL 4

JUNE 7-14

AUGUST 9-15

OCTOBER 18-24

If you haven't been involved before but would like to start helping with meals or bringing supplies to make the meals, please talk to Rhonda and get on the list or text her at 801-388-7013.

If anyone is interested in providing twin-size quilts or full size tied blankets, those are appreciated also.

The guests will get to take those to their new homes.

If you would like to do activities or crafts with the children after dinner, that is also encouraged.

### BOUTIQUE NEWS

Our next boutique is months away....May 1st and 2nd. The Handcraft room is asking that during these cold boring months you start working on crafts to donate. Think Spring, Mother's Day, Father's Day, graduation.

No ideas? Check out Pinterest and try something new!

# Hands & Feet



## Spring Rummage Sale

April 17-18

Watch for drop-off times in the April Newsletter

### Methodist Children and Youth Camps:

Elementary K-6 July 13th to July 17th.

Junior & High School Camp July 20th - July 24th

### Spring Clean-Up

A spring cleanup weekend with free camping

May 2-3

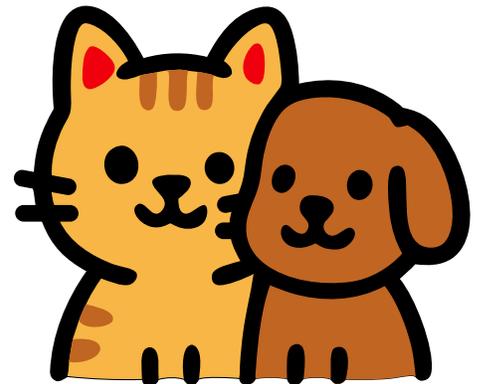
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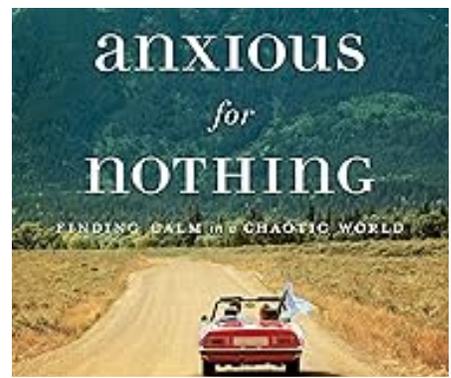
### Donations Needed

The animal shelter thanks us for our continued support!

Please bring your sheets, towels, blankets as you clean out closets.  



## Monday Night Book Club



I'm a worrier. Although one of my favorite Bible verses is Philippians 4:6 ("Do not be anxious about anything..."), I often AM anxious about, well, everything. The cost of living, political discord, social media, the health and welfare of my children and grandchildren. Even the news of our upcoming pastoral change has me questioning, Will our new pastor be a good fit for our church? Will he/she help us to continue to strengthen our ministry? Help! Where is my faith?

**Beginning March 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Monday Night Book Club will be reading *Anxious for Nothing: Finding Calm in a Chaotic World*, by beloved Christian author Max Lucado.**

I barely made it through the first chapter and I had my first three poster phrases:

Anxiety is a meteor shower of what ifs

Anxiety and fear are cousins but not twins. Fear sees a threat. Anxiety imagines one.

The presence of anxiety is unavoidable, but the prison of anxiety is optional.

We meet Monday evenings from 6:00 to 7:30 in the Aldersgate Room (next to the nursery...enter through the east courtyard doors). Please contact Kay Seamons if you have questions or need a copy of the book.



### Save the Date

Spring Handbell Concert

Sunday Evening April 19th

6:30PM



# *Easter Services and Events*



**March 28<sup>th</sup> Children's Ministry Easter Event 2:00 PM-4:00 PM**

**March 29<sup>th</sup> PALM SUNDAY Worship Service 9:00 AM**

**April 2<sup>nd</sup> MAUNDY THURSDAY Worship Service 7:00 PM at  
First UMC 1339 W 400 N Marriott Slaterville**

**April 3<sup>rd</sup> GOOD FRIDAY Worship Service 7:00 PM**

**April 5<sup>th</sup> EASTER SUNDAY**

**Sunrise Service, Time TBD, followed by continental  
breakfast**

**Worship Service 9:00 AM**

**Easter Brunch 10:00 AM**