

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Led by: Pastor Don Dunn

Choir Director: Margaret Treiber

Musicians: Carla Ryan, Vocals
Bob Del Mar, Guitar
Betsy Pecka, Piano
Joseph Hernandez, Vocals

Assistant of the Day: Lonny Holleman
Usher: Barb Deycous
Greeter: Bob Miller
Liturgist: Linda Bryant-Smith
Coffee Hour: Jenni Bates
Counters: Denis Plew & Louise Ingebrigtsen
Flowers:
Communion Servers:

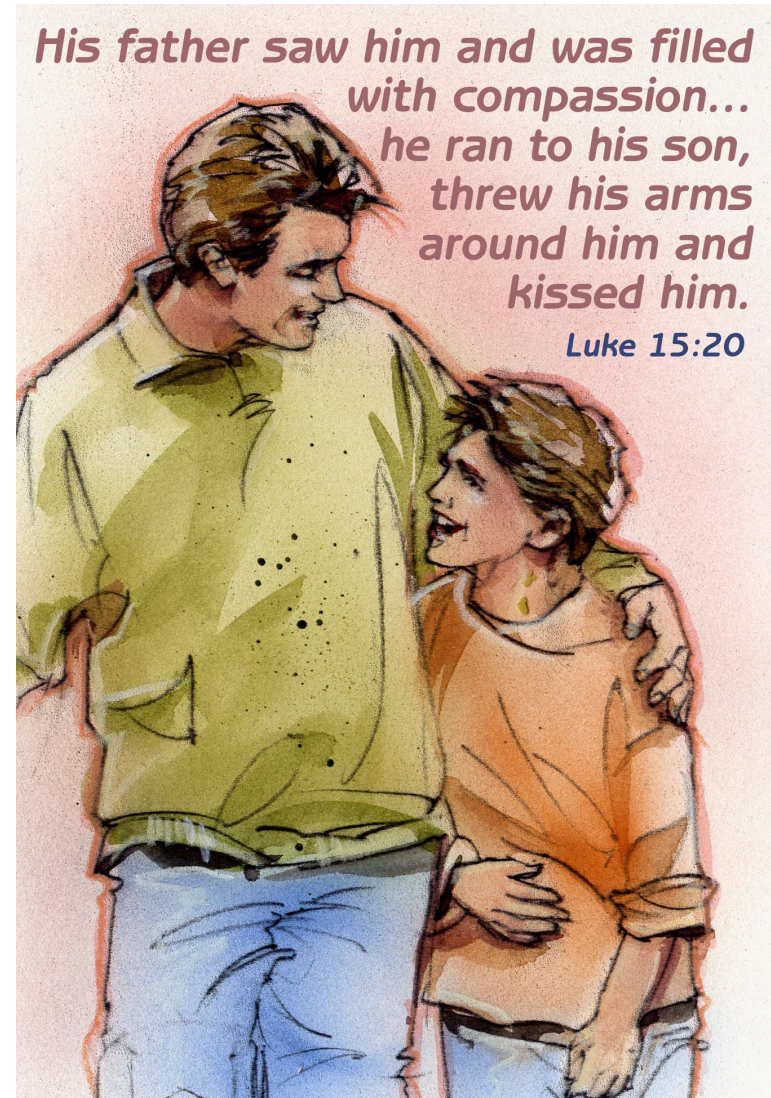
Special thanks to those contributing their time and talents for our worship.

Servers for Next Sunday, April 7th

Assistant of the Day: Ed Rogers
Usher: Christy Price
Greeter: Cammy Hatch
Liturgist: Camille Price
Coffee Hour: Tura Yount
Counters: Mary Mantz & Margaret Treiber
Flowers: Mary Mantz and Kathy & Don Buhl
Communion Servers: Barbara Deycous & Margaret Treiber

SUNDAY WORSHIP

March 31, 2019– 9:45am



The United Methodist Church of Ephrata

"We Serve God by Serving Others"



WELCOME TO THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF EPHRATA!

If this is your first time with us we'd like to thank you for visiting! If you did not receive a Welcome Brochure from a greeter when you entered be sure to pick one up from an usher as you leave. The brochure has more information on our church and its ministries.

At the time of our offering do not feel pressure to put anything in the offering plate. While you are welcome to give, you are our guest and we simply want you to enjoy your time with us!

Hearing assistance available. If you are hearing impaired and would like to use an assisted listening device, please request one from the ushers.

Prayer requests cards are located in the pew box. If you have a need or celebration, fill out the card and place it in the offering plate.

Please join us for refreshments and fellowship after the worship service.

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Pastor.....Don Dunn, pastor@umcephrata.org
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Custodian.....Jamie Downing
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Church office hours are Monday - Wednesday 9am-1pm, Thursdays 9am-12pm

<u>Happening Today!</u> Worship, 9:45am with Pastor Don Dunn Garden Oasis Worship, 3pm	<u>Monday, April 1</u>
<u>Tuesday, April 2</u> Quilters, 9am Grief Support Group, 6pm	<u>Wednesday, April 3</u> Bible Study, 2pm <i>Soup Supper @ EUMC, 5:30pm</i>
<u>Thursday, April 4</u>	<u>Friday, April 5</u>
<u>Saturday, April 6</u> Church Clean Up, 8am Men's Breakfast, 8:30am	<u>Sunday, April 7</u> Worship, 9:45am with Pastor Don Dunn



*Coming
Next Week*

- Memory Café, 1:30pm-3pm April 8
- Quilters, 9am April 9
- Caregivers Group, 10am April 10
- Bible Study, 2pm April 10
- **Church Council Meeting, 5:15pm** April 10
- **Soup Supper...** April 10
Holy Trinity , 5:30pm

Prayer List for the Week

Prayers for Health, Healing and Well-Being:

- Rayce & Tiffany Barnes
- Tabatha
- Susan Aldridge
- Julea Dunn
- Marie Marsh
- Dick Ross
- Francie Hernandez
- Shirley Johnson
- Kathleen Neuberger
- Jody Pheasant



Prayer requests for long term health problems:

Bob St. Clair Jr, Ed Sivula, Doug Jensen, Ron Gardner, Steven Grass, Brian Davisson, Renee Muse, Al Davisson, Steve Smith, Justin Townley, Rosetta Barnes, Mary Morin, Gail Catlow, Joe Hatch, Eleanor Gausman, Dan Anderson, Randy Senn, Ed Warren, Marlene Fisk Warren, David Prince, Abbie Thorndike, Roberta Osborn, Dennis Ackerman, Amy Torrens-Harry, Eric Moulton, Mike Dell, Tom Pheasant

Prayers for our military personnel at home, abroad, and their

families: Chris Wash, Kevin Harmon, Michael Oliveira, Lane Jensen



*New items are listed in **bold print**.*

- **Garden Oasis Worship Service today @ 3pm!**
- ***Lenten Soup Supper* will be here at UMC this Wednesday, April 3rd at 5:30pm!**
- **CHURCH DIRECTORIES ARE DONE!!!! You can pick up a copy in the Narthex. Thank you for your patience! -Tresa**
- The Pastor will be offering a membership class. If your are interested please let him know by calling the office or him directly so we can set a time for meeting together.
- *Mystery Campership Fundraiser* - TODAY...during coffee hour. All proceeds go to 2019 camperships! All you have to have is \$1 to participate to purchase a ticket, the more you purchase, the more chances of having something you “love” to take home. There will be a few twists along the way. More information to come, please plan on attending it will be fun!
- *April is our month to do the Ephrata Food Bank.* We need two to three people each Monday and Thursday from 2pm to 4pm. Please sign up and show you’re your support. Sign up sheet is on the Kiosk.
- *SPRING CLEAN UP DAY AT CHURCH is April 6th.* We will start at 8:00 a.m. I will provide coffee, tea and something to eat. Questions? Call me at 754-4502. Thank you, Mary Mantz.



“God loves each of us as if there were only one of us.”
—St. Augustine

***Please Stand as you are able.**

Prelude

Introit

Welcome Announcements Friendship Pads

Call to Worship

Lead: Grace and peace in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Lead: Blessed are those whose transgression is forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God.

Opening Prayer

Praise Team

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,

we confess that we have strayed from your ways.

Like the Prodigal Son, we have wasted our inheritance.

You gave us the earth for our home,

but we squander earth's resources and hoard its bounty.

You gave us neighbors to love, but we pursue selfish ambitions.

You gave us the commandments that lead to human flourishing,

but we break your law and forsake your love.

Forgive us our sin and bring us to repentance.

Draw our wandering hearts back to you

that we may find freedom in obedience to your love.

Through Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Scripture: Psalm 32 (pew Bible page 395)

Choir

Scripture: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 (pew Bible page 740)

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks Be to God. Amen.

Message: “Two Sons and a Dad” by Pastor Don Dunn

Affirmation #882

***Hymn (Hymn) #383** “This is a Day of New Beginnings”

Prayers of the People

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.

Offering

***Doxology**

***Closing Hymn:** (Hymn) #140 “Great is Thy Faithfulness”

***Benediction**

Postlude

Questions for Reflection

In what ways am I like the Prodigal Son? In what ways am I like the elder son?

***Please join us for coffee, fellowship,
and a fundraiser after worship.***

