

Pastors Ponderings.....February 2022

Our movement from February to March coincides with the Church seasons changing from Epiphany to Lent. During Epiphany, our time of worship centered on the idea of Jesus' Baby Book, as we reviewed his infancy, childhood, and transition as a twelve-year-old to adulthood. Now in Lent, we will undertake the self-examination that leads up to the sorrow of the Crucifixion and the Resurrection celebration of Easter.

None of us is perfect, and God knows that. Do we dare to be honest with ourselves? Do we trust that God will still love us if we admit to where and how we fall short? Is it possible that we are blessed, regardless of our shortcomings? What would it look like for us to lean into embracing our 'Good Enough' lives? We'll consider these questions during this season of Lent. Do join us for worship...online or in person.

In addition, Wednesday night Lenten services are being offered through partnership with the other UM Churches in Dickinson County. Soup & sandwich dinners at 6:00 on Wednesday nights in Lent will be followed by 7:00 worship. The worship at these evening services will focus our eyes of faith on the meaning behind God's mercy made manifest in Christ. This age-old focus on the richness of God's mercy will be a complement to our Sunday focus on affirming that we are 'Good Enough' to be loved by God, no matter what.

Other activities in March will serve to remind us that we are the beloved Children of God, no matter what! There's a lot of paper with this Trinity Times so here's a list to make it easy for you to find what might interest you. Come and feel the power of God's love in this place, with these people!

Information about people in our Church, including Bill Uren: Green insert

Opportunities for additional generosity and remembrance of those we love:

Purple insert, Paper Easter Flowers order form.

March Calendar: Blue insert with times, dates, and activities spelled out.

Wednesday night joint Lenten services with our fellow UM friends and churches:

Blue insert, on the other side of the Calendar.

Information about the possible future directions of The UMC Denomination:

Tan insert with additional resources listed on the back. March 19 event!

Reminder of Trinity's trained people who stand ready to provide support should

you find yourself confused or conflicted about what's going on at Church:

The Matthew 18 process on the Cream insert.

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