Prayer Concerns

Carolyn Barnes	Bruce Howells	Margaret Lyons	Sue Moore
Dot Carver	Robin Hoerber	Ted Lyons	J.C. Phillips
Marjorie Cheatham	Warren Hoerber	Beth McNeill	Sarah Reed
Virginia Ewing	Dot Jackson	Gunnar Melder	Janet Sellers
Polly Gregg	Jo Ann Jones	Bob Moore	Marie Strack

Announcements

Go to mtpisgahva.org/news/announcements/ for full details and sign up links.

February Mission Box: Heart Havens - Heart Havens was created in 1996 by the Virginia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church and supports men and women with intellectual disabilities by operating 12 group homes throughout Virginia. You can write a check to Mt. Pisgah UMC and in the memo write Heart Havens. For more information visit www.hearthavens.org.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper is coming up on Tuesday, February 13, 5:00-6:30 p.m. Come join your church family for an evening of delicious food and wonderful fellowship! Invite your friends to join us too! Please register in advance so we can be sure to have enough food for everyone! Registration information is on the church website and in the Wednesday emails.

Ash Wednesday Worship - Please plan to join us in worship on Ash Wednesday, February 14. We will offer worship services at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.; both services will be held in the Sanctuary.

Lenten Bible Study beginning February 19, 1:00-2:00 p.m.. We will be reading and discussing *Remember: God's Covenants and the Cross* by Susan Robb. The 6-week study will be facilitated by Kay Adams. Details are available in the Wednesday emails or by contacting Kay at children@mtpisgahva.org.

Nursery Care Team - Our youngest need your help! We have volunteer opportunities in the church nursery during Life Groups (~11:00 a.m. to noon). Information is in the Wednesday emails or you may contact Kay Adams directly.

Communion Servers - Communion is a very special part of our faith experience. We are seeking persons willing to assist in serving Communion during worship. Information and the sign-up can be found in the Wednesday emails and on the church website.

Offering Envelopes - If you would like to receive offering envelopes for 2024, request forms are in the Narthex. You can also contact the church office, or email businessmgr@mtpisgahva.org. Thank you for your continued support of Mt. Pisgah's ministries.

You're Invited to a presentation on aging and disability resources available in Chesterfield County on Saturday, March 2 at 12:00 p.m. in the CFLC. A light lunch will be provided at 11:30 a.m. Please visit the church website to register your attendance. Friends and neighbors are welcome to attend. Please contact Kay Smith (804-370-1591) with any questions.

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Children's Sunday

5th Sunday After Epiphany
February 4, 2024

10:00 a.m.

OUR VISION

We are a community longing for deeper connection with God, each other, and neighbor.

Order of Worship

Sunday, February 4, 2024

Prelude

Greeting & Welcome

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Centering

Jesus Loves the Little Children

arr. Hayes

* Call to Worship

Leader: People of God, welcome! Surely God is in this place! People: We come to worship and to rest in God's presence.

Leader: Breathe deep for the goodness of God surrounds us.

People: The Holy One who sustains the universe is near.

Leader: When we are tired, worn down, and carrying heavy

burdens, God is with us.

People: God strengthens us that we might help carry one another's burdens.

Leader: So, let us join together in wonder and thanksgiving for God's love that lifts us up on wings like eagles.

ALL: Thanks be to God! Amen.

* Opening Hymn #139 UMH

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

* Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he arose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Anthem

Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands

arr. Page

Prayer of Confession and Pardon

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Song of Forgiveness

Pote

O Lord, have mercy on us, have mercy.

O Lord, have mercy on us, we pray.

O Lord forgive us, forgive us all our sins

As we walk in the light of your love.

Leader: Hear the Good News! Christ died for us while we were yet sinners. That proves God's Love for us.

ALL: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

A Time of Prayer

The 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.

* Hymn of Preparation #526 UMH

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 40:21-31

* Gospel Lesson

Mark 1:29-39

The Message Pay Attention

Kay Adams

Offering Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

More About Jesus

arr. Smith

* Doxology #94 UMH

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

* Closing Hymn #469 UMH

Jesus is All the World to Me

* Benediction

* Postlude

I Must Tell Jesus

arr. McDonald

*Please Stand as You Feel Led

The scripture lessons this morning are from *God's Word, My Voice: A Lectionary for Children* by Lyn Zill Briggs and are based on the New Revised Standard Version.

We thank the children for their leadership in worship today. Children participating in worship leadership this morning are: Deacon Brown; Ellie & Maggie MacCormac; Mycah, Selene & Winter Robinson.

Next Week in Worship

Scripture: John 17:1-2, 6-8, 18-21, 25-26 (NLT) **Message:** The Prayer Jesus Prayed for You

Welcome to Mt. Pisgah UMC!

We are glad to have you worship with us today. We invite you to make Mt. Pisgah UMC your church home. *If you are visiting Mt. Pisgah for the first time today, we thank you for taking the time to attend!* We encourage you to complete the Welcome Notebook as it is passed along the pew to let us know you attended and so that Mt. Pisgah can make a donation to this month's Mission Box Offering in your honor. As you exit the church, we have a "Welcome Gift" of church related items for you as thanks for being with us today. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Michael Whaley at 794-5856. We hope to see you again!

Nursery Care is available for children under age 5 during the 10:00 worship service and for children under age 3 during the Life Groups. The church nursery is located in rooms 101 & 103 in the Education building. Please ask an usher if assistance is needed.

Blessing Bags are available in the Narthex for children to use during worship. When the worship service has concluded, please leave the bag and its contents in the bin in the Narthex.

Hearing Assistance Devices are available at the Tech Booth at the rear of the Sanctuary. Please speak to an usher if you would like to use one of these devices.

Large Print Bulletins and Large Print Hymnals are available. Please speak to an usher if you would like to use one of these.

Enjoy our furnishings and help us keep them clean; and please, turn off or silence your cell phones.

Upcoming Events & Calendar

For full calendar and details go to mtpisgahva.org.				
This Sunday				
	10:00 a.m.	Worship		
	11:15 a.m.	Life Groups		
		Programs for children and youth		
	12:15 p.m.	Children's Choir		
	4:00 p.m.	Youth Bells		
	4:30 p.m.	Carol Bells		
		Youth Choir		
	5:00 p.m.	Youth Group & Dinner		
	Feb. 5	Devotion & Prayer Time (9:00 a.m., Facebook Live)		
		Staff Meeting (11:00 a.m., S100)		
	Feb. 7	Chancel Choir (7:00 p.m., Music Room)		
	Feb. 8	Chancel Bells (7:00 p.m., Music Room)		

Our Stewardship of Presence

On Sunday, January 21, we had 154 people joining us for worship in person and 68 joining us online.