

Prospect Street United Methodist Church  
185 S. Prospect Street, Marion, OH 43302  
740-382-6069  
Pastor, Joshua Freshour

**Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**8:30 a.m.**



Mission Statement:

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to grow in our commitment to Christ,  
to serve others, and welcome all people."**

# 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

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Joshua Freshour, Pastor

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\*Please stand if you are able

Please silence electronic devices

WELCOME

Pastor Josh Freshour

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

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\*PRAISE SONGS

“To God Be the Glory”  
“Your Love Is Amazing”

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 5:5-10

<sup>5</sup> So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; <sup>6</sup> as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.” <sup>7</sup> In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup> Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup> and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup> having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE

***“Let God Do the Appointing”***

Pastor Josh

PASTORAL 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.**

\*CLOSING SONG

“Mighty To Save”

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“God Be With You”  
**God be with you till we meet again;  
by his counsels guide, uphold you,**

with his sheep securely fold you;  
God be with you till we meet again.  
Till we meet, till we meet,  
till we meet at Jesus' feet;  
till we meet, till we meet,  
God be with you till we meet again.

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Greeters: Pete & Judy Stambazze

*Next Sunday Scripture: Mark 11:1-11 & Sermon Title: "Before the City Comes the Village"*

*The clear candle burning on our altar signifies our appreciation for the men and women serving our country during this time of national concern.*

The **Marion Music Club** will be here in our sanctuary **this afternoon** at 3 p.m.

**Monday Morning Bible Study** will meet **tomorrow** at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The **S.K.I. Group** will meet **not** meet this month.

On **Wednesday, March 20**, Norma Stump will be teaching a **Lenten Study** "The Upper Room Study" at 2 p.m. at the home of Janice Nicolosi, 488 Forest Lawn Drive.

**Lenten Study** every **Wednesday** at 5:30 p.m. and **Friday** at 10:30 a.m. in the Upper Room.

**Free Community Breakfast** will be held on **Saturday, March 23**, from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. This community outreach is sponsored by the Men's Prayer Breakfast group and the UWIF's S.K.I. Group. This breakfast is free and open to all (donations will be accepted). This will be a wonderful opportunity to get involved and support this effort to reach out into our community and build relationships with our neighbors and be fulfilled in sharing the love and grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Come one, come all to help, support or just have breakfast and fellowship. If you have questions, please contact Bill Bess at 740-360-3965. Hope to see you there.

**Noisy Collection** will be on **Sunday, March 24**, for Salvation Army Food Pantry.

We will collect for the **Salvation Army Food Pantry** on **Sunday, March 24**. Suggested donations: Pasta Sunday. They are also in need of paper products and feminine products. Put your donations in the shopping cart in the back of the sanctuary. Thank you!

**Jackson Area Ministries** - The UWIF sponsored Seed Tree will be in the main hallway through **March 24**. Please bring in vegetable seeds for this ministry.

**Palm Sunday Feast - Sunday, March 24!** The traditional meal will be noodles with chicken or beef, real mashed potatoes, green beans/butter beans, bread/butter, dessert, and beverages. The meal will be after the second service, and the cost will be \$8.00/adults, \$20.00/family, and \$2.00 kiddos 10 and under. This meal is sponsored by the Guiding Light Circle. Mark your calendar now for this event and joyfully plan to share in the loving kinship and fellowship with your church family.

On **March 24**, we will have our special **Palm Sunday** worship which will be concluded with an awareness of the upcoming week's events by stripping the sanctuary symbolically as Christ himself was stripped of all that he had in this world.

The **United Women In Faith Executive Board** will meet **Monday, March 25**, at 2 p.m.

**Laundry Love Ministry** will be **Monday, March 25**, at 4:30 p.m. at the Southtown Cleaning Village, 355 S. Main Street in Marion.

**March 28** at 7 p.m., we will be having **Maundy Thursday** worship at Crosswood UMC. We will experience a Last Supper drama and share together in Holy Communion.

**Prayer Vigil** – The Prayer Team is planning a Prayer Vigil on Good **Friday, March 29**, from noon to 6 p.m. Time slots are 30 minutes long, and we will have a list of ministries to pray for. Sign-up sheets are posted around the church.

**March 29** Prospect Street UMC will host the **Good Friday** worship service at 7 p.m. This will be a service of the candles. Join me as we extend our invite to this worship service to the folks at Crosswood UMC.

**March 31-** Easter Sunrise Service at 7:30 a.m. This will be the first of two worship services on Easter morning. **Easter Breakfast at 8:30 a.m.** - Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall - A freewill donation will be accepted. **Sunday School hour at 9:30 a.m.** **Traditional Easter Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.**

**Wesley Scholarship Applications** are ready to pick up on the library table in the south alcove or in the church office. Deadline to turn in your application is **April 15**.

**Fish Fry Fundraiser** will be held again on **Thursday, April 25**, from 4 – 7 p.m. Proceeds will go toward the Stained Glass Window Fund. Volunteer sign-up sheets are posted in the foyer and you can stop by the table in the foyer for tickets **today**. Ticket prices are \$13/adult and \$7/child if purchased in advance. The price at the door will be \$15/adult and \$7/child. The menu will be: All-You-Can-Eat Fried Fish and Chicken Tenders, Mac & Cheese, green beans, dessert, and drink.

**Stained Glass Window Maintenance Fund** – We still need to complete the North side, which will cost a total of \$30,304 if we don't have any extra expenses. We currently have \$20,023.97. Keep your eyes on our Fundraiser Thermometer throughout the church for the progress on completing the goal.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** - We need Nursery workers for 3 time periods: 8:30 to 9:30 for 1st service, 9:30 to 10:30 for Sunday School, and 10:30 to 11:30 for 2nd service. We also need a Teacher and a Helper for our children ages 4 to 5th Grade for Children's Worship during 1st service, another team for Sunday School, and a 3rd team for 2nd service. We provide a very good curriculum that provides the Bible stories and activities for these groups. It would be helpful if you would volunteer to fill these positions for one month at a time. We're hoping to have enough volunteers to be able to alternate one month on and one month off. If you would like more information, please contact Colleen McCartney by email at [mrs.mcbasket2@yahoo.com](mailto:mrs.mcbasket2@yahoo.com) or by calling her at (740)751-4906 [her land line] or at (740)802-0641 [her cell phone]. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

**Attendance March 10:** Sunday School - 25      Worship Services – 15/71

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