

2024 LENTEN SERVICES

“The Kingdom of God”



FEBRUARY 21

Location: Ohio St. United Methodist Church
Preacher: Jeremy Henderson

FEBRUARY 28

Location: Ohio St. United Methodist Church
Preacher: Marla Kash

MARCH 6

Location: First Christian Church
Preacher: Mary Love

MARCH 13

Location: Church of the Nazarene
Preacher: Julie Nelson

MARCH 20

Location: Church of the Nazarene
Preacher: Sharla Hulsey

Services at 5:30 p.m.

A meal will be served after each service.

An offering will be received each night to benefit the Butler Ministerial Alliance's emergency assistance fund.



February 18, 2024

9:30 a.m.

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, February 18, 2024

Joys and Concerns

Sharla Hulsey

In order to respect privacy, joys and concerns will be discussed before the public livestream. Please fill out a prayer request form and place in the offering tray during communion.

Welcome and Announcements

Carol Roberts, Elder

If you are joining Sunday worship via Facebook Live, let us know you are tuning in by leaving a comment on the live stream video or visit fccbutler.org and click the Register Attendance button.

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Prelude

Mary Coffman, Accompanist

Bringing the Light of Christ into the Sanctuary

*Call to worship (please rise as able)

Carol Roberts & Congregation

L: Let our prayers arise before you, O Lord;

P: and may your grace descend upon the world.

L: Accept our prayers with all who are praising you this very moment;

P: and send your Spirit to renew the face of the earth.

L: Give to us, O God, eyes for seeing;

P: and give us ears to hear your Word.

*Opening Hymn

CH #543 (All)

“Blessed Assurance”

*Invocation

Carol Roberts & Congregation

God of love,

take hold of us in this time of worship,

and do not let us go until we have been blessed by a vision of your love for this world:

infinitely generous, gentle and forgiving;

simple, wholesome, mysterious, profound;

in which all are accepted and no one rejected;

love that never ends.

Living God, Love itself,

live in our hearts now and forever. Amen.

Lenten Reading

“Things of God: Sponge”

from a collection by Paul Neil

Jennifer Schmehl

Carol Hedrick

Shawn Quick

Prayer Hymn

CH #211 (All)

“Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley”

Silent Meditation

Pastoral Prayer - “The Lord’s Prayer”

Sharla Hulsey

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Musical Interlude

Mary Coffman

Responsive Reading

Carol Roberts & Congregation

Psalm 32:1-5, 11 (*Chalice Hymnal*)

L: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

**P: Happy are those to whom God imputes no iniquity
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

L: While I kept silence, my body wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

**P: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

L: Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not hide my iniquity.

**P: I said, “I will confess my transgressions to God,”
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

L: Be glad in God and rejoice, O righteous,

P: and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

Special Music

Adult Choir

“All Because of Your Amazing Grace”

Scripture

Mark 9:30-37

Lyssa Lile

Message

Sharla Hulsey

“But then what happens?”

Invitation to Discipleship

Sharla Hulsey

*Invitation Hymn

CH #349 (All)

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

Musical Interlude Mary Coffman

Offering Meditation Diana Rich

Tithes & Offerings Diaconate
Offering trays will be passed in the pews.

*Doxology CH #47
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication Carol Roberts

Call to Communion Sharla Hulsey

Communion Hymn CH #272 (1,2,5)
"The Church's One Foundation"

Words of Institution Sharla Hulsey

Communion Prayer Carol Roberts

Distribution of the Elements Diaconate
Everyone is welcome at Christ's Table. Those who are comfortable doing so, please come forward down the center aisle to partake at the table. Deacons will serve those who remain seated.

WE DEPART TO SERVE

*Benediction Sharla Hulsey
Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Closing Hymn CH #445 (1)
"Go In Peace"

* Please rise as able

SERVING TODAY

Pastor: Sharla Hulsey

Elder: Carol Roberts

Deacons: Carol Hedrick,
Lyssa Lile

Greeter: The Lile family

Scripture Reader: Lyssa Lile

Choir Director: Carol Ann Winburn

Accompanist: Mary Coffman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **OUTREACH MISSION**
This February, we will be supporting the Community Food Pantry with a *Souper Bowl* food drive. We are asking for donations of canned soup and crackers. Bring donations to the church throughout this month. Thank you!
- **KETCH-UP CAMPAIGN**
The Stewardship Committee started a "Ketch-up" campaign to help replenish the FCC reserve fund. The goal is \$20,000. Please note on your donation that it is for the "Ketch-Up" campaign.
- **BOARD MEETING** - Today after worship
- **COMMUNITY CAFÉ** - Tuesday, February 20 @ 5:30 p.m.
- **WEEK OF COMPASSION SPECIAL OFFERING**
- Sunday, February 18 & 25
- **FELLOWSHIP BAKED POTATO BAR** - Sunday, March 3 after Worship

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, Feb. 18:	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Worship Board Meeting
Tuesday, Feb. 20:	5:30 p.m.	Community Café
Wednesday, Feb. 21:	5:30 p.m.	Lenten Service @ Ohio St. United Methodist Church
	6 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Youth Group Choir Practice
Friday, Feb. 23:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, Feb. 25:	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Worship Life Group
Wednesday, Feb. 28:	5:30 p.m.	Lenten Service @ Ohio St. United Methodist Church
	6 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Youth Group Choir Practice
Friday, Mar. 1:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies