



The Carillon

March 2023

Worship Plans for March

March 5 – Communion – Second Sunday In Lent

Title: It's Time to Move
Scripture: Genesis 12:1-4a

March 12 – Third Sunday In Lent

Title: The Risky, Difficult Journey of Discipleship
Scripture: Exodus 17:1-7

March 19 – Fourth Sunday In Lent

Title: The Wildcard Pick
Scripture: I Samuel 16:1-13

March 26 – Fifth Sunday In Lent

Title: Let's Get Some Life in These Old Bones
Scripture: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Coffee Helpers Needed

COFFEE:

ARE YOU THE 4TH SUNDAY CHOSEN ONE?

AI software is composing music, writing tech manuals, and (apparently) ready to run factories but it won't make the coffee on Sunday mornings!

For that, we rely on a team of people to each cover one Sunday a month. We need a person to cover the 4th and 5th Sundays of the month. How about you? It's not hard, puts you in the position of covering an important church need, and you get to meet people who really appreciate your effort!

For more info,
contact Gregg Atkins or Pam Swartwood.
or email the church office at umcwood@gmail.com

Woodland Ecumenical and Multifaith Ministries Lenten Luncheons

Join Woodland's faith community for a weekly luncheon.
Includes lunch and a brief devotional.

This is a free luncheon, however, free-will contributions are accepted.
The luncheons start at noon and are at the following Locations.

- o March 1 – The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 850 Pioneer Ave
- o March 8 – St. John's United Church of Christ, 432 Cleveland St.
- o March 15 – St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 515 2nd St.
- o March 22 – Woodland Presbyterian Church, 1324 Columbia Drive
- o **March 29 – Woodland United Methodist Church, 212 Second St.**
- o April 5th – American Lutheran Church & Holy Rosary Catholica Church
hosted at the American Lutheran Church, 1114 College St.

Adult Sunday School

New Adult Sunday School Study Starts February 26 for Lent! February 26 – April 4: Words of Life: Jesus and the Promise of the Ten Commandments by Adam Hamilton

Nearly everyone has heard of the Ten Commandments, the list of "thou-shalt-nots" found in the Bible. Jesus saw these commandments not as onerous burdens, but as guideposts to help us experience a good and beautiful life. These ten ancient "words" were given to us by a loving God who longed to set safe boundaries, create order out of chaos, help communities live peacefully, and protect us--often from ourselves.

Adult Sunday School meets in the Spirit Room from 11:20 am-12:30 pm.

Contact Becky at beaman1028@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

New Book Discussion Group Starting Soon

"...the strangest thing about it was, that from the crown of its head there sprung a bright clear jet of light, by which all was visible." (Dickens)

Interested in experiencing such a jet yourself? Then open yourself to the viewpoints of others as you share your thoughts and reactions to a monthly book. I'm looking to start a book reading and discussion group to meet once monthly in the Spirit Room. Collectively, we'll select our reading choices to reflect the diversity of tastes and interests, allowing us all to walk a thought path we might not choose for ourselves.

Let's begin with an initial organizational gathering on March 14 at 7:00 pm in the Spirit Room.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT							
January 2023				Year to Date (July 2022 -January 2023)			
Total Income		\$30,470.44		Total Income		\$203,440.90	
Total Expenses		\$28,445.64		Total Expenses		\$186,549.82	
Balance		\$2,024.80		Balance		\$16,891.08	

We continue to show a good financial picture here at Woodland United Methodist Church. As the chart above shows, total income in January 2023 exceeded expenses by slightly more than \$2,000. Pledged income received for January was actually 153% of what was expected (possibly partly explained by the 5 Sundays in January). Total expenses for January were 11% higher than budgeted, largely due a very large heating expense for the month. Year-to date (July 2022 through January 2023), pledged income is 16% higher than budgeted. At the end of January, our total income exceeds total expenses by almost \$17,000.

Lowell Johnson, Finance Committee Chair

Children's Ministry

Again, we clap our hands in praise for the substitute support team for our nursery and children's ministry!

Karen Hannum, La Vonda Williams, and Susan Harmon have all taken seriously the vows we make when children are baptized. Thank you so very much!

JT Hoffner and **Michael-Omri Affi** are our newest young boys who have found their way into the nursery and classroom settings on occasion! What joy to welcome them and engage in their growth in faith!

And to all our other young people - **Matt-Daven, Mekayela-Marie, Mayah-Lynn, Matty, Jessica, Aurora, Isabelle, Elijah, Luca, Keiko, Briar,** and **Judith** - we say Welcome!

We look forward to all the ways we will come to know you better! God loves you!

Excerpts from: History of Hymns 'Every Time I Feel the Spirit'

By C. Michael Hawn

"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

African American spiritual
The United Methodist Hymnal, 404
Songs of Zion, 121

Refrain:

*Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart,
I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart,
I will pray.*

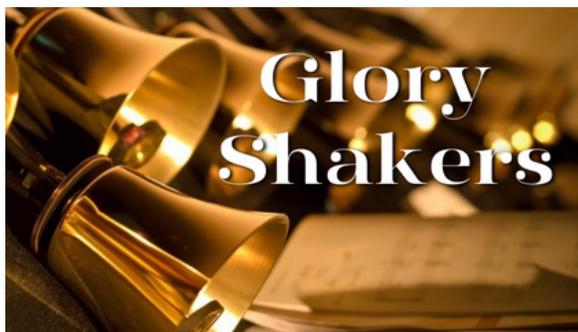
"Every Time I Feel the Spirit" explores the powerful combination of Spirit and prayer as indicated in the keywords of the refrain.

"This widely known spiritual describes 'the power and energy released in black devotion to the God of emotion.' Black people have never had any concept of a God who could not be felt. It is this feeling of the spirit of God that renders the black religious experience incomparable to any other" (McCain, 1990, pp. 105–106; italics in original).

The spirituals not only speak of prayer but often are prayers. African American activist and children's advocate Marian Wright Edleman (b. 1939) affirms the role of prayer in this way: "We Black children were wrapped up and rocked in the cradle of faith, song, prayer, ritual, and worship which immunized our spirits against some of the meanness and unfairness inflicted on our young psyches by racial discrimination and poverty in our segregated South and acquiescent nation" (Edleman, 1996, p. xxi). Sung prayer is a way of surviving.

The roots of this spiritual may be found in the antebellum South. One often-cited report indicates that Abraham Lincoln heard a group of escaped slaves led by "Aunt Mary" Dines singing this spiritual among others during one of his visits to the "contraband" camp at Seventh Street in Washington, D.C. Contraband camps were areas where escaped enslaved people lived. The description notes that Lincoln sang with the group as they were singing for him.

Music Ministry



Glory Shakers Handbell Choir

When preparing the piece '*Celtic Farewell*' to share in worship on February 12, we considered choosing a different title. Yet, in honoring the composer, we also realized that the style of the song truly lent itself to a soulful longing and mood.

The melody wove deeply into our hearts, as ringers, and we pray that it also touched you.

We welcome **Zora Fowler**, who has brought her bell-ringing experience to strengthen the Glory Shakers.

With her help now, we can extend our musical offerings to those pieces that call for more ringers.

Thanks Zora!



Discovery Bells

Oh my goodness! What joy to have our newest ringers offer praise in worship! Each week **Kimi, Nancy, Isabelle,** and **Aurora** continue to bring their 'A' game to master a new technique or skill.

All of this enriches each of us as we gather together in worship. Thank you, ringers (and families who support them) for your joy on February 12 and on March 5!



Choir Schedule For Spring

It is time to tune up our voices and prepare for the coming season! We will be working on special music, Lenten season music, Palm Sunday, and Easter music, and will meet once a month regularly to keep our voices tuned up and ready to offer our gifts in worship.

Please calendar the following rehearsal dates and join us.
RSVP to me so I can prepare a sufficient number of music packets.

Wednesdays, 5:45 - 7:15 pm in the Music Room:
March 1, March 22, April 5, May 3, & June 7

Sundays, 11:15-11:45 am in the Sanctuary
March 12 & March 19

Kathy Redmond - Choir Director, Woodland United Methodist Church
(530) 867-2940

For Your Information

Ringling Concert to Come!

The Glory Shakers will be participating in a combined ringling event in Sacramento on April 1. It is the Spring Ring - originally planned for March 2020.

There will be multiple choirs in attendance, six songs to be shared, and a lot of joyful sound that comes together.

We'd love to see you there!

April 1, 2023 - 4:00 - 5:00 PM
Centennial United Methodist Church,
5401 Freeport Blvd., Sacramento

Baked Potato Bingo!

Mark Your Calendars.
Sunday, April 16 after church.
More details to come!

CH-CH-CH-CHANGES!

Adrian Bowen - New Address

2726 5th Street
Davis, CA 95618

Michael Sanna - New Email

avidtraveler02@gmail.com

Deb & Gary Grundman - New Landline

(530) 650-0080

If you have made any changes to your address, email addresses, or phone numbers, please make sure to contact the church so that we have the most up-to-date contact information for you.



Personal Care Pantry



Woodland Personal Care Pantry

The Woodland Personal Care Pantry continues to be a much-needed resource in our community.

The February Pantry was our biggest yet!

We served **155 shoppers**.

This translates into **850 individuals** that were helped.

With this many people attending the Pantry, it is vital that we have helpers.

This is where you can help. Each month, on the first Thursday, we hold our Pantry. You can help by:

- Volunteering to help our shoppers
- Helping with setup
- Helping with teardown and cleanup

If you would like more information about the Personal Care Pantry, or other ways to help, please [CLICK HERE](#) to email the church office.

Pantry Setup - Wednesday, March 1 - 3:30 p.m.

Pantry Distribution - Thursday, March 2 - 4:45 p.m.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

2 - Chad Johnson
5 - Tim Frank
8 - John Sublett
12 - Emmanuel Bueno
13 - Shannon Murray
18 - Anya Redmond
21 - Sarah Gatie
22 - Adrian Bowen
23 - Trudi Stover
24 - Laurie Noble

24 - Melissa Tenhunfeld
26 - Joan Dalton
27 - Rebekah Haase
27 - Tom Widlund
28 - Aurora Heredia
29 - Keiko Kimura
29 - Bob Murdock
29 - Emylee (Covell) Vodden
31 - Malakai Fullen

19 - TeriLynn & Ed Caughie
19 - Mike & Martha McKeen
23 - Steve & Diane Plocher
26 - Carol & Ed Conley
29 - Eleanor & Gene Whitehead

Sunday Worship Live Stream

How to Access the WUMC YouTube Live Stream

On Sunday Mornings:

Go to <https://www.youtube.com/c/WoodlandUnitedMethodistChurch>

The live broadcast will begin at 9:50 a.m. with a countdown and prelude music.

We will also place a link to the live stream on the WUMC Facebook page,

www.facebook.com/umcwoodland

and you can access all 2022 worship services on the church website, [www. umcwoodland.org](http://www.umcwoodland.org)