

# Messenger

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## A Sign of Spring



In *The Story of the Easter Robin* (Zonderkidz), Dandi Daley Mackall retells an old Pennsylvania Dutch tale of the robin's compassion as he witnessed Jesus' death.

On Good Friday, a plain brown robin flying over Jerusalem was curious about the "nest" atop Jesus' head. When the bird realized it was a crown of thorns, he tried to dislodge it. As the robin pulled out a long thorn from Jesus' forehead, a drop of blood landed on the bird's breast, staining it red. Now the robin's red breast is a symbol of Jesus' loving sacrifice, and the robin's early-spring song is a reminder of Jesus' joyful resurrection.

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**SUNDAY, MARCH 30**

- 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service
- 9:50 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- 11:00 a.m. Live Stream Worship
- 5:00 p.m. Solid Ground Youth
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

**MONDAY, MARCH 31**

- 6:00 p.m. Worship Committee

**TUESDAY, APRIL 1**

- 6:00 p.m. Ladies' Bible Study

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2**

- 4:30 p.m. Handbell Choir
- 5:30 p.m. W.O.W. Children's Ministry
- 6:00 p.m. Solid Ground Youth
- 6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study
- 6:15 p.m. Snack Supper

**SATURDAY, APRIL 5**

- 9-12 noon Methodist Market



- 31. Sammy Burnham
- 3. Tim Trammell
- Hayley Martin
- 4. Gloria Kirk
- Jase Patterson

Last Sunday, March 23, 2025, was Confirmation Sunday. We welcome our confirmands, Wyatt Burton and Ben Chaney as full members of First Methodist Church.



**Easter Baskets for Foster/Needy Children**

If you would like to help with a foster child this Easter, please consider doing the following:

1. Select an Easter basket in the Fellowship Hall. Please be sure to print your name next to the basket number on the sign up sheet. Fill the basket with a Bible/Devotion book and age appropriate toys, candy, games, toiletry items, gift cards and school supplies. Return the basket to the church office by Sunday, April 12th.

2. Make a financial contribution to the "Foster Children's Fund". This money will be used to assist foster parents in purchasing spring clothing and shoes.

Contact Allison Hughes (571-4964) if you need additional information.

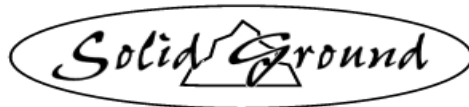


For the month of March we will begin a new series, *Jesus is Our Friend and Savior*. Each week we will have a lesson about Jesus and the sacrifices that He made for us.

- Jesus Offers Eternal Life - Meeting in the Night - Nicodemus.
- Jesus Forgives - One Very Amazing Day - The Four Friends.
- Jesus Accepts - Jesus and the Man in the Tree - Zacchaeus
- Jesus Opens the Scriptures - The Stranger - The Road to Emmaus

### **HISKIDZ/W.O.W. WEDNESDAY**

Children's Bible Study meets every Wednesday. Our schedule will be as always. Bible Study at 5:30 pm, followed by snack supper in the Fellowship Hall at 6:15. We will continue to craft through the Bible. We are studying lessons about David as he prepares to take over as King of Israel.



### **Youth Bible Study and Small Group**

Youth Bible Study is back, and we will be meeting every Sunday and Wednesday evening for a time of fellowship and group time together. Our Youth Bible Study on Sunday Nights will be studying Revelation. Each Wednesday we will cover Life Application Lessons.

### **M28 Camp –Date June 29 - July 2, 2025**

We have registered for camp and more information will be sent by text in the weeks to come. Payment installment dates will be sent out soon.

## **VOLUNTEERS**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 2025**

Greeters	Julie & De Paul/Patsy Clark
Scripture	Matthew 20:20-28
Sermon	<b>“The Greatest Among You”</b>
Flowers	Sallie Pender

## **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

### **MARCH**

**30. 4th Sunday in Lent**

**John 3:14-21**

31. Your king comes

Matthew 21:1-11

### **APRIL**

1. God’s steadfast love endures

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

2. Pilate washed his hands

Matthew 27:11-54

3. The LORD helps me

Isaiah 50:4-9a

4. In your hand

Psalm 31:9-16

5. He emptied himself

Philippians 2:5-11