



# Trinity Chimes

Evangelical Reformed United Church of Christ  
Frederick, Maryland USA

March 2023

We, the members of this congregation, seek to celebrate in word and deed the gospel of Jesus Christ, by nurturing spiritual growth through worship, study and prayer; by caring for one another as God cares for us; and by proclaiming God's love for all people as we work to help our neighbors near and far. We commit ourselves to develop and implement specific programs to fulfill our mission.

In Lent, we reflect on Christ's ministry, death, and resurrection. We slow down, take time, and examine our internal spiritual lives as well as the way in which we live out our Christian faith in the world. ERUCC provides a variety of resources during this season for growing in faith and faithfulness. This year, in addition to a daily devotional for the season, we also have prayer cards from Sanctified Art with a thought-provoking question and an accompanying prayer.

Our Sunday services will focus on the idea of seeking, with reflections founded on questions such as "Can these bones live?" "Who will you listen to?" "How do we begin again?" As the writers of Sanctified Art say, "Our questions won't necessarily lead to answers, but they can help us find clarity and a new perspective. Ultimately, we pray they lead to a new beginning, a restoration, a wider grace."

In this season of Lent, ask yourself, "What am I seeking?" Maybe your answer will change throughout the season. Maybe you will find that this question leads you also to ask, "What is God seeking?" May we remain curious and open as we seek and search this season.

*Barbara*

*With gratitude and appreciation, we will be celebrating Barbara's 40 years of ministry.  
Save the Date for the Celebration of Barbara's retirement.*

*Saturday, June 3, 2023 - Reception  
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. ~ ERUCC Community Room  
Congregation, family, friends, and the Frederick community invited  
Program highlighting her career  
Beer and Wine and heavy appetizers*

*Sunday, June 4, 2023  
10:30 am ~ Barbara's last Sunday preaching  
11:30 am ~ Special Fellowship Time  
Congregation and Family invited*

*If you would like to help with the celebration please contact  
Cathie Duncan at [cathieduncan@comcast.net](mailto:cathieduncan@comcast.net) or Betsy Fisher at [bcfishe@hotmail.com](mailto:bcfishe@hotmail.com)*

# March Worship Notes

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**Sunday, March 5 ~ Second Sunday in Lent**

**Seeking: How do we begin again?**

John 3:1-17 | Genesis 12:1-4a



**seeking:**  
*How do we  
begin again?*

Nicodemus comes to Jesus under the veil of night to ask him big faith questions. Jesus invites him to begin again, to learn a new way of knowing and living out his faith. In Genesis, God commands Abram and Sarai to leave everything—their home, their family, their land—to seek the land of Canaan and begin again. Like Nicodemus, what are the questions we ask in the dark? Like Abram and Sarai, how do we follow God's calling to begin again?

*The Senior Choir will be singing. Communion will be shared at the chancel rail. The Cambridge Bell Choir will be ringing. Today we will celebrate the baptism of Paisley Schaeberle.*

**Sunday, March 12 ~ Third Sunday in Lent**

**Seeking: Will you give me a drink?**



**seeking:**  
*Will you give  
me a drink?*

John 4:5-42 | Exodus 17:1-7

In the heat of midday, Jesus seeks out a Samaritan woman drawing water from a well. His command to her is also a question and an invitation into a new way of life: "Will you give me a drink?" This question creates a dialogue between them in which Jesus sees the woman fully; she leaves the well transformed. In the wilderness, the Israelites essentially ask: "Will you give us a drink, God? Will you take care of us, even now?" We might imagine ourselves at the well or in the wilderness this week. Are we willing to care for our neighbors, seeking not just to quench thirst but to find living waters that sustain us all?

*The Spirit will be singing. Pastor Kirstin will be preaching this morning. Today we will be celebrating the baptisms of Sarita Harrison and Lucy Anne Moulton.*

**Sunday, March 19**

**Fourth Sunday in Lent -- One Great Hour of Sharing**

**Seeking: Who sinned?**



**seeking:**  
*Who sinned?*

John 9:1-7 | John 9:8-41

When Jesus and the disciples encounter a blind man along the way, the disciples immediately ask, "Teacher, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" (John 9:2). They ask a terrible question, filled with assumptions and harmful theology. Unfortunately, the crowd continues to interrogate the man and dissect the miracle of his healing. This week, let us pay attention to the questions we ask. What assumptions do we carry? What is our intent? When seeking clarity or understanding, what are better questions we can ask?

*The Senior Choir will be singing.*

**Sunday, March 26 ~ Fifth Sunday in Lent**

**Seeking: Can these bones live?**



**seeking:**  
*Can these  
bones live?*

John 11:1-45 | Ezekiel 37:1-14

In Ezekiel's vision, God asks the prophet, "Can these bones live?" Do we believe new life can come after death? Can we find hope when things are bleak? Can we really trust in God's resurrection? While we look to God to carry us through the valley, God looks to us to embody hope for others. As we prepare to enter Holy Week, we remember how Jesus began his final journey toward resurrection: by returning to Judea after the death of his dear friend, Lazarus. As we walk through the valley of dry bones that leads us to Calvary Hill, let us seek out the hope that will stir in us and sustain us.

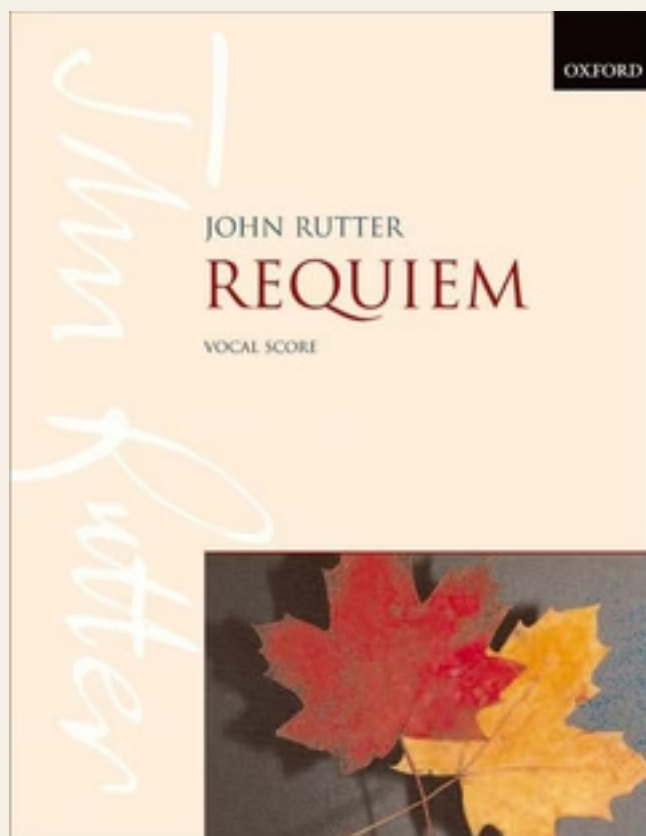
*Today the Senior Choir will be offering their Lenten Cantata, John Rutter's Requiem.*

**On Sunday, March 26, the ERUCC Senior Choir, along with Mary Huegel, oboe, and David Howard, cello, will offer *Requiem* by John Rutter during the 10:30 a.m. worship service.**

John Rutter's *Requiem* is a musical setting of parts of the Latin Requiem with added psalms and biblical verses in English. It is scored for soprano, mixed choir and chamber ensemble.

Five of its seven movements are based on text from the Latin Requiem Mass, while the second movement is a setting of "Out of the deep" (Psalm 130), and the sixth movement is an anthem "The Lord is my Shepherd" (Psalm 23) which Rutter had earlier written. The first movement combines the Introit and Kyrie, the third is Pie Jesu, with soprano solo. The central movement is a lively Sanctus, followed by Agnus Dei and finally Lux aeterna. In the Agnus Dei and Lux aeterna, Rutter combines the liturgical Latin text with English biblical verses.

Rutter completed his *Requiem* in 1985. It bears the dedication "in memoriam L. F. R.", John Rutter's father, who had died the previous year.



## MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES

**Wednesdays March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, and April 5**

**Noon - 12:15 p.m.**

**Service of Prayer in Trinity Chapel**

**12:15 - 1 p.m.**

**Lunch and Bible Study Reflection**

### ***A Time to Grow:***

#### ***Lenten Lessons from the Garden to the Table***

From Eden to Gethsemane to the garden in which Jesus was buried and raised, our story of faith wanders through much fertile soil. But in our current world of fast food and to-go meals, we often do not make time to explore where our food comes from and how we break bread together. Journeying through the season of Lent with this in mind, the book *A Time to Grow* encourages us to slow down, move through the painstaking process of growth, and end together with great celebration. Themes of soil, water, light, time, fasting, feasting and more guide the way from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday. We will explore the intricacies of how faith is required to produce food and how that faith can lead us all to feast at the table on Easter morning.

March 1	Order	Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-17; Luke 4:1-13
March 8	Life	Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Mark 8:31-38
March 15	Water	Psalm 63:1-8; John 4:5-42
March 22	Light	I Samuel 16:1-13; John 3:14-21
March 29	Restoration	Ezekiel 37:1-14; John 11:1-45
April 5	Time	Luke 19:29-40; Luke 22:66-23:56

### *Special Let's Talk*

**March 26 • 9 a.m. • Community Room**

Consistory President Peter Brehm joins Senior Pastor Barbara Daniel in a discussion on the preparations and planning underway as the Senior Pastor retires. Come join us with questions!

## Tuesday Morning Bible Study with Pastor Daniel

NORTH ROOM & ZOOM 11 A.M. - 12 P.M.

Zoom: [bit.ly/3TdUnOy](https://bit.ly/3TdUnOy) Meeting ID: 875 1423 3398

Passcode: 973365 Through April 4

### *Entering into the Passion of Christ* by AJ Levine

Jesus' final days were full of risk. Every move he made was filled with anticipation, danger, and the potential for significant loss or great reward. Jesus risked his reputation when he entered Jerusalem in a victory parade. He risked his life when he dared to teach in the Temple. His followers risked everything when they left behind their homes or anointed him with costly perfume. We take risks as we read and re-read these stories, finding new meanings and challenges.

In *Entering the Passion of Jesus: A Beginner's Guide to Holy Week*, author, professor, and biblical scholar Amy-Jill Levine explores the biblical texts surrounding the Passion story. She shows us how the text raises ethical and spiritual questions for the reader and how we all face risk in our Christian experience.

March 7	The Temple: Risking Righteous Anger
March 14	Teachings: Risking Challenge
March 21	The First Dinner: Risking Rejection
March 28	The Last Supper: Risking the Loss of Friends
April 4	Gethsemane: Risking Temptation

## Let's Study the Bible

### Foundational Stories of the Old Testament in Order!

The Exile and the Exodus. Is that one event with two names or two events all together? And if they are different, which came first?

If you have ever pondered questions like these, join the Let's Study the Bible class beginning on January 8 for an eight-week survey of the big stories of the Old Testament in the order they occurred. We meet Sunday mornings from 9-10:15 a.m. You can participate in person in the North Room or by Zoom.

No prior experience needed; just bring your Bible!

Zoom: <https://bit.ly/ERSunstudy>

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## *The Difficult Words of Jesus: A Beginner's Guide to His Most Perplexing Teachings*

by Amy-Jill Levine begins again on  
Wednesday, March 1 at 2 p.m.

If these words "Jesus provided his disciples teachings for how to follow Torah, God's word; he told them parables to help them discern questions of ethics and of human nature; he offered them beatitudes for comfort and encouragement. But sometimes Jesus spoke words that followers then and now have found difficult. In *The Difficult Words of Jesus*, Amy-Jill Levine shows how these difficult teachings would have sounded to the people who first heard them, how they have been understood over time, and how we might interpret them in the context of the Gospel of love and reconciliation" sound familiar to you it is because Pastor Barbara just finished leading this curriculum on Tuesday mornings. But both Jesus' words and Professor Levine's intriguing and often entertaining interpretation of them bear repeating, so if you missed a session with Pastor Barbara or couldn't make the Tuesday morning schedule, you have a chance to participate in the class on Wednesday afternoons at 2 p.m. with a different group of people. Rev. Esther Ziegler will lead the hybrid class (in person in the North Classroom and via Zoom) Wednesdays in March and April. If you plan to participate via Zoom, please let Tyler York [tyork@erucc.org](mailto:tyork@erucc.org) or Esther Ziegler [estherrziegler@gmail.com](mailto:estherrziegler@gmail.com) know via email, so you receive the link. If you need the book, it can be ordered on Amazon. During the first class on March 1 we will review Professor Levine's approach to understanding the teachings of Jesus by "wrestling" with them and then discuss the introduction to the book. The following weeks we will cover:

March 8	Chapter 1: Sell What You Own
March 15	Chapter 2: Hate Father and Mother
March 22	Chapter 3: Slave of All
March 29	Chapter 4: Nowhere Among the Gentiles
April 5	Chapter 5: Outer Darkness

The Frederick School of Religion convenes for its 39th year of classes on April 17. The school is an ecumenical teaching organization that provides a 'Learning for Life' experience for both laity and clergy. The six-week series of classes includes a broad range of topics appealing to diverse faith groups. This year's location is Trinity United Methodist Church, 703 W. Patrick St., Frederick, MD 21701. Courses will be offered on consecutive Mondays and Tuesdays from April 17 through May 23 in the afternoon (1-3 p.m.) and in the evenings (7-9 p.m.) These eight courses cover a broad range of topics. All courses are eligible for up to 1.2 Continuing Education Units. For more information and registration forms, visit [www.frederickschoolofreligion.org](http://www.frederickschoolofreligion.org) or call 240-651-1865 or 240-490-5657.



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## Coffee and Conversation

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### Friends and Fellowship

**Sunday @ 9:30-10:15 a.m in the Community Room**  
Life is busy. Sometimes we all need time to decompress. Come to the Community Room to grab some coffee or tea and chat. This is an opportunity to relax, meet new friends, and catch up with old ones.

### The Parent's Place

**Sunday @ 9:30-10:25 a.m.**  
**Trinity Chapel West Classroom**

The kids are in Sunday School, and you have a moment to chill. We are offering a new space for parents to gather in Trinity Chapel. It's a good time to relax and talk with other parents. Please drop in and check it out. Coffee and snacks will be provided but if you love your Sunday morning Starbucks, stop by afterward. The West Classroom is located to the right as you enter the Trinity Chapel sanctuary.

## MISSION OF MERCY

*We have been called upon to bring lunch for the doctors, dentists, nurses and volunteers who are serving members of our community who are under or non insured. Can you help us?*

*ERUCC has promised to bring food for 35-40 people on the first Monday of each month.*

Please contact co-chairs

Angela Brittain (angela3cats@yahoo.com) or  
Nancy Johnson Jones (ncjsquared@msn.com)  
to participate. We currently need one person to  
provide the salad, and one or two others to  
prepare or purchase ingredients for a simple but  
hearty main meal to be delivered in April.

**Our Mission of Mercy Stars for  
February and March:**

• **Peter Brehm • Linda Coyle**  
• **Pastor Michelle Beadle • Janice Staley**

## YOUTH GROUP

### UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Contact Pastor Daniel concerning these activities  
at [bkdaniel@erucc.org](mailto:bkdaniel@erucc.org).

### Sunday, March 5

#### Germany Trip Meeting

This will be the first of our Germany trip meetings and will be held after the 10:30 service in the Community Room.

### Sunday, March 12

#### Low Ropes Course at Camp Manidokan

We will leave the church at 2 p.m. to travel to Camp Manidokan to participate in a low ropes course experience with Pastor Kirstin. Please bring a refillable water bottle. Snacks and a light supper will be provided. The cost is \$10 per person.

### Friday, March 31-Saturday, April 1

#### Overnight at the Church

6 p.m. Bread baking and movie night at the church. We'll bake bread to sell for a fundraiser and make some for communion as well. Hopefully, we'll also do some planning for Youth Sunday.

### Thursday - Saturday, April 13-15

#### Bethany Beach

Leaving the church at 9 a.m. on Thursday, April 13 to travel to Bethany Beach. We will be staying again at the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Conference Center and cooking our own meals. (*This is the end of the Spring Break time for FCPS.*) Cost is \$25 per person.



## Franklinton Center weekend trip ~ March 23-26

There were some items left to finish from our January trip to Franklinton. In consultation with Keith Stickley, we have scheduled a weekend trip to Franklinton for March 23-26. The plan is to travel Thursday and then have Friday, Saturday, and Sunday for work. If you want to drive down Friday, that's okay, too.

Jobs left to finish:

- Install floor in two offices
- Install door thresholds
- Install baseboard trim in two offices
- Finish installing plastic wallboard in bathroom
- Install two vanities in the administration building
- Install necessary plumbing for sinks
- Install floor in bathroom
- Install two toilets in the administration building
- Install three toilets in the dining hall
- Painting

Let Pastor Daniel or Keith Stickley know if you have any questions or would like to go.



## Family Camping Returns!



**June 9-11** we will take off for a camping trip at Cowan's Gap State Park in Pennsylvania. We have reserved a group spot for 40 people. If you want to rent a cabin or spot for an RV and share meals, fellowship, and worship with us, you can make your reservation by going to Cowans Gap State Park at: [www.dcnr.pa.gov/StateParks/FindAPark/CowansGapStatePark/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.dcnr.pa.gov/StateParks/FindAPark/CowansGapStatePark/Pages/default.aspx)

We have a planning team working on meal plans, and then we will send out the costs for the trip!

We will plan some meals together, some packed lunches, and campfire snacks!



## ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING ~ March 19, 2023

One Great Hour of Sharing® is one of four special mission offerings of the United Church of Christ. This Lenten offering supports the disaster, refugee, and development ministries of the United Church of Christ within Wider Church Ministries. When a disaster strikes or people are displaced or made into refugees by violence or extreme poverty, you are part of the immediate response and of the long-term recovery.

Through OGHS you engage in holistic development programs, including health care, education, agriculture, food sustainability, micro-financing, and women's empowerment. Because the UCC relates in mutual partnership to churches and organizations through Global Ministries and worldwide response & recovery networks, your contributions to One Great Hour of Sharing put you in the right place at the right time for the relief, accompaniment, and recovery of the most vulnerable. You meet immediate needs and you address the underlying causes that create those needs in the first place.



### New 2nd Sunday Opportunity

*Did you know that singing together can be a therapeutic or spiritual experience, a great bonding activity and just plain fun? Research shows that people who sing together feel happier. So, whether you are a gifted choir member or can't hold a tune, join us for a half-hour hymn sing. We will be led by Kathy Gelles-Baxter, a new choir member and trained vocalist. March 12 ~ 9:30 - 10:00 in the Liz Coffey Room*





## GREEN TEAM NEWS

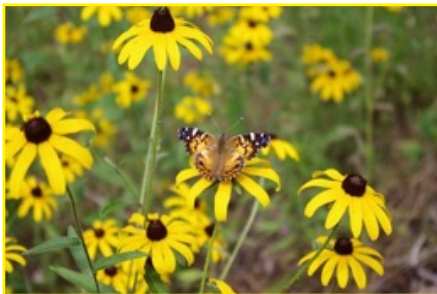
When we care for the Earth, we care for each other. When we join with others in our community, our connections and impact are enhanced. Our Green Team is part of a network of faith-based Green Teams through the Multi-faith Alliance of Climate Stewards of Frederick. This and other groups are doing excellent creation justice work, but we seldom meet face to face! We are hoping to fix that by hosting a networking event to address this need to connect and collaborate.

### Green Team Networking Event

Wednesday, March 22, 7-8:30 p.m.

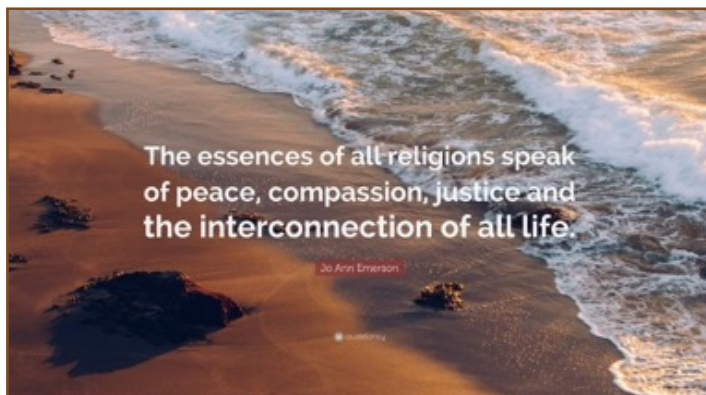
Community Room

Join us in welcoming other Green Teams into our space. We will celebrate each other's accomplishments, discuss challenges, and look for ways to collaborate. Teams from UCC, Catholic, Jewish, Islamic, Methodist, Presbyterian, Episcopal, Unitarian, and Quaker faiths and community teams from Middletown, Urbana, Frederick, and Thurmont will be invited. Light food and drinks will be served. If you know of any other teams that should also be invited, please let us know!



### Other News!

The Green Team continues to prepare spaces behind the church for spring plantings. We hope to create a beautiful native plant garden that will attract all types of wildlife. We are also looking ahead to a field trip to Glenstone in April and spiritual walks in May and July.!



*Evangelical Reformed United Church of Christ*  
Presents **SHANA OSHIRO, SOPRANO**

# CROSSING OVER

**VINCENT STRINGER, ARTIST, BARITONE**  
**EDMOND CHARLES, PIANIST**  
**JODI BEDER, CELLIST**

**PROGRAM OF SPIRITUALS & ART EXHIBIT**  
Saturday, March 4, 2023  
6:00 pm  
**EVANGELICAL REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
15 West Church St.  
Frederick, MD 21701  
(301) 662-2762  
erucc@erucc.org

**DONATIONS WELCOME, ADMISSION FREE**

# WORK DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**SUNDAY, MARCH 19**  
after the 10:30 service

**Come spend the afternoon in fellowship and help clean up, fix, and paint some things around ERUCC.**

**Please rsvp to Property Chair Owen York, via email, phone, or in person.**  
**Owenjyork@gmail.com, 301-401-4947.**

*Complimentary Recital ~ Public Invited*

## MARKET STREET BRASS QUINTET

Hood College • Coffman Chapel

Sunday, March 5 • 3:00 p.m.

*Selections by Bach, Kamen, Ewazen, Bizet, and others*



## Chimes Service and Learning Group

Meets Thursday, March 9 at  
11 a.m. in the North Meeting Room.

## March Birthdays

01 Melanie Anderson, 02 Holly Davis, Gaylon Cornell  
05 Rob Smith, Tom Frazier, 06 Lynn Morgan  
07 Dave Kehne 08 Sienna Schmid 09 Susan Johnson  
10 David Howard 11 Jeff Schaeberle  
12 Susan Moxley, Fran Wenner, Daniel Ireland  
16 Starr Schaeberle, 18 Judy Peterson 19 Denise Flora  
21 Andy Johnston, Cathie Duncan, Keith Mercier Jr.,  
Nathan Chappell, Emma Baker 22 Peggy Richman  
24 Anne Hoffmann 26 Callie Baker 29 Linda Marsh  
30 David Wenner 31 Eli McNay

## USE OF THE CHURCH PARKING LOT

This is a gentle reminder about the use of the church parking lot. On Sunday mornings, we ask that our spaces be used for those who need to use the elevator or have mobility challenges.

During the week, if you attend an ERUCC event or function, please feel free to use the spaces.

If you are coming downtown to do business or enjoy the restaurants and want to park behind the church, please call the church office at 301-662-2762. We have many church activities, meetings, and community groups using space in our buildings. Priority is given to church activities and promises we have made to those using the space.



## ERUCC Scholarship Opportunities

ERUCC is fortunate to have several scholarship programs available to our members as they seek educational opportunities to develop knowledge and skill in realization of their full potential. Mr. Robert McCardell established the McCardell Scholarship Fund in honor and memory of members of the McCardell family. The Kieffer Scholarship Fund was established in honor of Henri L.G. Kieffer, pastor of this church from 1910-1946. The Liz Coffey Scholarship Fund was established in memory and honor of our beloved youth Liz Coffey. Also included are funds given in memory of Tina Baker, a long-time educator and member of the ERUCC Scholarship Committee.

Contributions to these Scholarship Funds by members and friends of the church are always welcomed.

These scholarships are gifts to church members for post-secondary undergraduate education and are awarded by the Scholarship Committee. The awards are based on the quality of the candidate's plan for using the funds, the ability and promise of the applicant, and the need for financial assistance. The aid may continue for subsequent years after an interview with the Scholarship Committee, submission of intent to reapply, and a transcript of grades for the current year.

Scholarship applications are available through the Church Office for new applicants: (301) 662-2762 or [erucc@erucc.org](mailto:erucc@erucc.org).

Students wishing to renew scholarships must also contact the Church Office providing the information requested. All application materials must be submitted to the Scholarship Committee through the Church Office by the April 30 deadline.

Any further questions can be directed to Sandra Trout, chair of the Scholarship Committee, at [troutsandra@aol.com](mailto:troutsandra@aol.com).





Come join us and bring a friend! We'll be dyeing Easter eggs the traditional way, and also a few new and exciting ways too! Bring a dozen hard boiled eggs, your Easter basket, an apron and your appetite for fun and yummy snacks. Pastor Kirstin will be leading us on an April Fools Fun EggStravaganza - you don't want to miss this! Who knows? We might even hide a few! Volunteers of all ages are welcome that day to help set up and decorate the Community Room and prepare dyes.



## ERUCC Book List for 2023

2023 Book Group Coordinators: Susan Kulp  
and Rebecca Shillingburg

The ERUCC Book group meets at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of every other month in the Liz Coffey Room with a virtual option at <https://bit.ly/3C0iXfl>

Meeting ID: 848 7056 7574 Passcode: 226669

### MARCH 28

*In the Shadow of the Mountain: A Memoir of Courage*  
by Silvia Vasquez-Lavado

The author overcame childhood sexual abuse, alcoholism, homophobia, and the glass ceiling of Silicon Valley when she started climbing. This took her to Mt. Everest, where she took other female survivors of trauma with her. "The risk and spirit and sheer size of the mountains and death's proximity woke her up." The book has been described as "page-turning, pulse-raising" and the experience as "hair-raising, nerve-racking and always challenging." The book also offers moments of peace, joy, and healing.

May 23	<i>Recitatif</i> by Toni Morrison
July 25	<i>Still Life</i> by Louise Penny
September 26	<i>The Midnight Library</i> by Matt Haig
November 28	<i>Horse</i> by Geraldine Brooks



**Admission:** Unopened bags of dog or cat food, cans of dog or cat food. Strong dog toys. Cat toys and treats, especially Churu. Food for small animals: Guinea pigs, rabbits and mice. Cash donations gladly accepted!



*Surrounded by Jesus.* Photo by Tyler York.

# Holy Moments: Faith-Filled Fun with Pastor Kirstin



## God's Kids Club:

**Wednesday, March 22, 9 a.m. -3 p.m.**

We welcome back Kim Sexton to lead activities for God's Kid's Club. Bring any board games that you aren't going to play anymore, including ones with missing pieces! Pack a sandwich and share in soup with the congregation after our noon Lenten service this day.

## God's Kids Club:

**Friday, April 7, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.**

Join us in a scavenger hunt journey through Holy Week. Each student will also make a personalized Holy Week Garden in their own flower pot. We can use donations of potting soil and rocks from the size of pebbles to the size of a fist.

## Scout Sunday is March 12!

To volunteer, see Evie Frashier or Pastor Kirstin. We would like to include both younger and alumni scouts from all scouting programs in the bulletin and in helping as greeters, readers, and more! Please wear your uniform to church that day as well!

## Zipline at Camp Manidokan!

**Saturday, March 25, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.**

**Save the Date!** Sign up in the Community Room or see Pastor Kirstin when you know you can attend! Each zipline participant needs a waiver signed by parents or guardians. The cost of \$20 covers the zipline and food!

Kids and family members can take two zips along this wooded 840-foot zipline course. Young people need to be at least 50 pounds to go on the zipline. Adults need to weigh less than 275 pounds. There is a great viewing fence to watch and take pictures of your young ones zipping by! After, we will share in a devotion and campfire snacks, including hot dogs, Uncrustables, chips, fruit, and S'MORES!!! What is a campfire without s'mores!!??

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**Save the Date!** We have chosen July 31-August 4 for **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!** We'll adjust the number of kids we can care for and the length of the day based on our number of volunteers. We will expect to design a 9 a.m.-12 p.m. day, which could be extended if we have enough folks for morning and afternoon volunteer shifts!

This year we will use **"Food Truck Party: On a Roll With God!"** as our theme. We'll involve ourselves in daily Bible lessons following the week's theme, "Give us the Day our daily bread" Matthew 6:11. Each day, we will also explore the theme with a "Daily Special" of crafts, games, music, science, and mission projects related to food ministries. Our week will culminate in a food truck water balloon fight and a food project chosen by the students.



Pastor Kirstin is looking for 4-6 youth volunteers to shepherd our small groups, snack makers, craft leaders, game leaders, scientists/teachers, story-book readers, and musicians. Volunteers may be able to work mornings, afternoons, all day MWF, or some mix of these options! We will develop the schedule based on who we have! There are pre-designed sessions, but for creative-minded friends, Pastor Kirstin invites you to take a look at the lessons and share your vision!





## *We are Grateful for our Volunteers!*

### **Junior Church Teachers needed for March and April!**

Most recently, we have appreciated Thomasa and Matt Pomeroy's help as our kids made Lego scenes of Jesus' baptism, Barb Biser and Jean Fish led a morning of musical interaction, Justin Coen and Emily Spear who are helping the group to define a Christian education project to present for a grant proposal and Linda Coyle who will bring hand's on practice with stages of Caterpillar to Butterfly Metamorphosis and explore faith through illusions.

### **Nursery Attendant and Volunteers**

We are beginning to get interaction with applicants for our Sunday Nursery position. We are so thankful for those who are volunteering in the interim. Our volunteers have had Safe Church training and completed a background check. If you are interested in helping, please contact Pastor Kirstin. We are grateful to have you!

### **Sunday School Teachers**

We have been greatly blessed by Sunday School teachers Audrey Raiford, Donna Smith, Dawn L, Thomasa Pomeroy, and substitute teachers Evie Frashier, Kate Fromknecht, and Julie Ebersole! Greeters Eleanor Fisher, Jack Stush, and Julie Ebersole have been incredibly helpful in directing families and providing information about worship times and locations. We could still use one regular teacher, who would teach about three weeks a month, and 1-2 volunteers to rotate in as Trinity Chapel Greeters.



### **Snow-Tubing at Liberty Mountain**

This night was so much fun! When you see our kids, ask them if they preferred to spin their way down the mountain or take a smooth ride instead. Ask if there was any difference between the tracks (numbered one through five). Ask who made it all the way to the puffy wall at the end. Ask who lost her hat on the way down (but got it back, too). It was a nice place to be, not very cold, and with snack options. Next year we might try the newly opened Harpers Ferry Adventure Center Tubing, mainly because it is closer! Thanks to all the parents and grandparents who went along for some fun rides down the mountain too!



### **Valentine's Fellowship Fun!**

If you came to the community room after church on February 12, then you were greeted by our Children's Ministry kids, who helped to serve and make our fellowship food! Isaac was the main chef of Rice Krispie Treats. Zaydan and Rebecca took the lead on Chocolate Chip/M&M Cookies. Emma and cousins Callie and Jesse dipped their way through chocolate-covered strawberries. Laurel, Marley, Zoe, Emi, Nathan, and Austin set the scene with decorations, and many then switched into the kitchen to cut our cheese hearts and help with baking. Our PK-2 students made Valentine's hearts sharing messages of "God Loves You!" that were added to the tables. Thanks to all who helped our group practice service as a spiritual practice and who encouraged them as they swept the floor and picked up the many flower petals! This group included Wyatt, Emi, Marley, Willa, Beatrix, Brooklyn, and Alex. We would never have succeeded without the help of Thomasa, Dawn, Tyler, Owen, Kate and Henry, Emily, Abby, Ben, Matt, Robin, and Robin, who also helped to serve and clean up! Thanks also and apologies to anyone I missed!







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## SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

8:30 – 9:15	Worship in Trinity Chapel
9:30 – Noon	Nursery Care (nursery, ground floor, main building)
9:30 – 10:15	Adult Education (main building) Let's Study the Bible (9 a.m.)
9:30 – 10:10	Sunday School for Children (Trinity Chapel)
10:10 – 10:25	Children's Music and Movement
10:30 – 11:30	Worship in main sanctuary
11:30 – Noon	Children and youth hand chimes rehearsal
11:30	Fellowship in the Community Room



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