

# THE BRIDGE

*Ohltown United Methodist Church*



## Walking with Peter Though Lent

*By Pastor Jim Spatholt*

Hopefully, by now, you have heard some of the liturgy and messages concerning the series “Wandering Heart” following Peter through the season of Lent. If you follow Facebook there have also been some wonderful posts and images connected with the series.

I have been asked before, why do we go through Lent and what does it mean for Christians today? We might all consider that this is a time when we can grow stronger in our personal and congregational faith and thus grow closer to each other and to God. We might consider acts of piety-reading the Bible more, going to worship, receiving communion. We might also consider acts of mercy, fasting,

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WORSHIP SUNDAYS AT 9:30 AM  
SUNDAY SCHOOL AFTER WORSHIP  
SEPTEMBER THROUGH MAY

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and prayer, using devotionals, volunteering or making plans to help someone. Use your imagination to do whatever draws you closer to God this Lenten season.

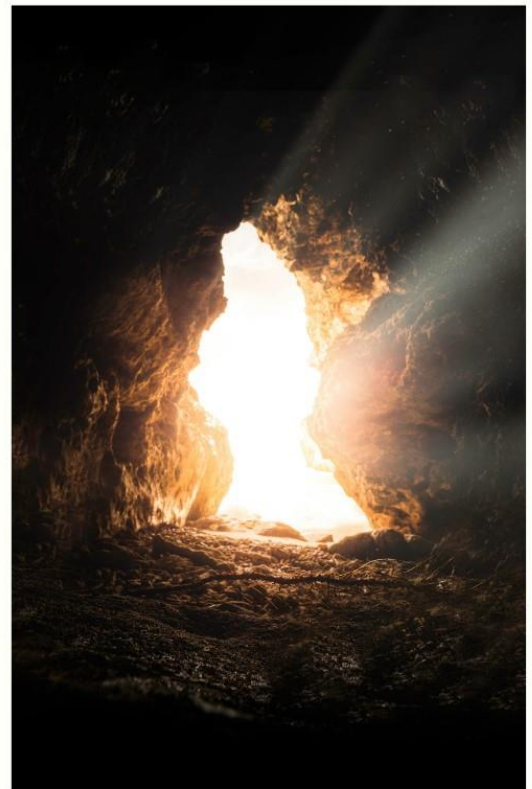
The culmination of God's plan of salvation however, was the cross and what Jesus did there for us all. His sacrifice and resurrection on behalf of our sins is something to ponder. We ARE Easter people.

## Keep Posted

I want to thank everyone for the giving of their time, talent, and treasures. The many ministries at Ohltown UMC can continue and grow proportionately with God's grace and your generosity.

Please keep yourself aware of what is going on here in the newsletter, on the website, through Facebook, and YouTube. If you wish you can call the office Monday through Thursday 9 A.M. till 1:00 P.M for more information.

Thank you again and may God's love, comfort, peace, salvation, and grace be revealed to you.



## SERVICE TIMES FOR HOLY WEEK

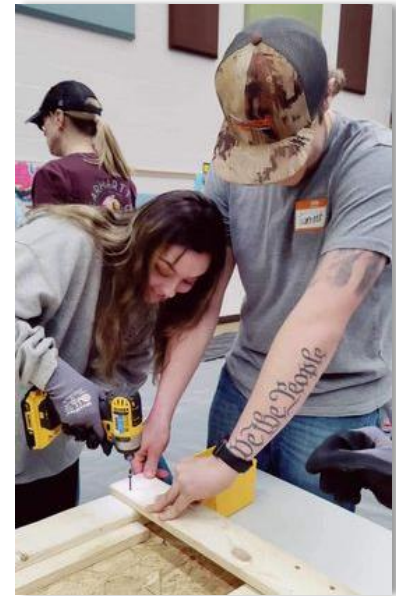
March 28-Maundy Thursday 7:00 P.M.

March 29-Good Friday Noon

March 31-Sunrise Service 7:00 A.M.

March 31-Traditional Service 9:30 A.M.

There will be a breakfast served between Sunrise Service at 7:00 A.M. and the Traditional Service at 9:30 A.M.



**BUILD-A-BED**  
February 24, 2024



The Office will be closed on April 1 in observance of Easter



WE NOW HAVE LARGE PRINT UPPER ROOMS



“Picture Lent” photos are coming in and posted on our Facebook page. Keep them coming!! (3 photos per person)

Submissions go to Pastor Jim: text - 330-501-7484 email - jls9000@zoominternet.net snail mail - 2001 Ohltown Road Mineral Ridge, OH 44440

Prizes are: First Place \$20 Speedway Gift Card Second Place \$10 Speedway Gift Card Third Place \$5 Speedway Gift Card

Last day for Submission is March 31, 2024 Prizes will be awarded in April, 2024

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH March 18 4:00 – 7:00 PM Join us and help make blankets for Akron Children’s Hospital and Hospice House. JoAnn’s and Walmart have many blanket kits available. Bring your scissors & a ruler. There will be finger food!!

FOOD PANTRY

Chef Boyardee Ravioli, SpaghettiOs, Beefaroni Pasta Sauce Cereal Jelly Hamburger Helper

BACKPACK PROGRAM

Fruit Cups

The next distribution date is March 19. Please have your donations at the church by Sunday, March 17

GOOD LUCK

We look forward to seeing how you picture Lent.

APRIL DATES TO REMEMBER Monday, April 8 Missions Meeting at 6:00 PM



Saturday, May 4 9 AM - 3 PM Donations can be brought in starting Saturday, April 27 (No clothing)

May 18 ... 1-3 PM BLESSING OF THE BIKES at OUMC

Bring a non-perishable food item and receive a small gift. Hot Dogs, chips & drink will be available.



TRASH & TREASURE SALE

# MARCH 2024

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Views</u>	<u>Offering</u>
February 4	60	50	\$3537
February 11	62	86	\$1227
February 18	61	71	\$1290
February 25	49	68	\$1688

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	1	2
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<b>3</b> Worship Service 9:30 AM Wesley Class	4	5	6 Quilters 10 – 2	7 Bible Study 11:00 AM	8	9
<b>10</b> Worship Service 9:30 AM Wesley Class 	11	12	13 Quilters 10-2	14 Bible Study 11:00 AM	15	16
<b>17</b> Worship Service 9:30 AM Wesley Class  - St. Patrick's Day!	18 UWF Blanket Making 4:00 – 7:00 PM	19	20 Quilters 10-2 	21 Bible Study 11:00 AM	22	23
<b>24</b> PALM SUNDAY 9:30 AM  <b>31</b> EASTER 7:00 – Sunrise 9:30 - Traditional	25	26	27 Quilters 10-2	28 Bible Study 11:00 AM Maundy Thursday Service – 7:00 PM	29 Good Friday Service - Noon	30

Thank you! 😊

To my wonderful, loving and caring church family. I thank you for all the prayers, phone calls, texts and messages during my illness. It means a lot to me just knowing that you're in my cheering section. I miss each and every one of you and can't wait to get back. I'm hoping to be back by February 4th. No one should miss their Birthday Party! God Bless this awesome church and all who enters.

With Love, Trudee

March Birthdays!

- 6 Michael Fisher
- 9 Margie Ford, Janet Welliver,  
Stephany Darby & Ashley Cardwell
- 12 Pastor Jim Spatholt
- 13 Jill Patterson & Tim Harness
- 17 Hannah Baird
- 27 Lydia Noble
- 28 Rhonda Goist
- 29 Guy Shively, Willovene Plant &  
David Darby
- 30 Krista Bowers

March Anniversaries

- 24 Mike & Debbie Fisher

March Liturgist Schedule

- 3 Hannah Baird
- 10 Cheryl Emrich
- 17 Frank Sloat
- 24 Becky Eckels Hood
- 31 Sandi Rich

March Greeter Schedule

- 3 Dave & Cathy Mellott
- 10 Nancy Welch & Chris Sigley
- 17 Becky Eckels Hood & Janet Hood
- 24 Cheryl Emrich & Pat Baird
- 31 Ron Fleet & Rhonda Harris

# SEASON OF LENT

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED  
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