

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF SALINE**  
**Worshipping Christ ... Welcoming All**

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**THE CONNECTION POINT**  
**Contemporary Worship Celebration**

**March 17, 2019**

**Second Sunday in Lent**

**11:15 am**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*SONG CELEBRATION & WELCOME**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Rev. Tom Zimmerman

*Children wishing to attend Godly Play (4 yrs.–Kindergarten) in Room N  
and W.O.W. (1<sup>st</sup>–4<sup>th</sup> grade) in Room G may do so at this time.*

**MEMORY VERSE**

“I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.” Galatians 2:20

**OFFERING TIME**

Please sign and pass the red attendance books that can be found on the seat at the end of the pew, then pass them back.

**PRAYER TIME**

Jeanette Brenner

**SCRIPTURE**

Exodus 3:1–15

**MESSAGE**

“Not just another day...”  
(2<sup>nd</sup> in the Lenten series: His Story)  
Rev. Tom Zimmerman

**CLOSING SONG**

**CLOSING WORDS**

*\*Please stand in body or in spirit*

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# Saline First United Methodist Church

**Sunday March 17, 2019**



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*We are a Safe Sanctuary Church Protecting and caring for all God's children.*



## PRAYERS

**Prayer Concerns**—Les Rowe, Saralyn Klepaczyk, Mary Domeier, Michael Domeier, Mike Walker, Bob Ades, Barbara Thurston.

**Continue to Pray for**—Mark Thorpe, Caleb Nadig, Mary Jo Cox, Julie O’Keefe, Gayle Rogers, Bill Doren, Jeanne Cogger, Charolette Becker, Mary Dinnan, Paulette Suchy, Wanda Beard, Todd Nash, Steven Baker, and Cheryl Schlaff.

**Sympathies**—Karen and Gordy Peters and family on the loss of Karen’s Aunt Clara. The family of Mark Spaw, on his passing.

**Praises**—Bruce Pummell’s retirement from GM. Good mid-term exam grades.

**Military**—Erik Maddock, J.T. St. Dennis, Abby Jenks.

**Special Living**—Florence Belt (Texas); Norma Jean West, Jim Bowker, Lysle Smith (Linden Square); Elaine Carter (EVH); Pat Boisvert (Brecon Memory); Betty Sellers (Brecon); Nancy Adsit (StoryPoint).

**Prayer Notes:** \_\_\_\_\_

**The Blue House in the Narthex**—The blue house in the north end of the narthex is a donation box for Saline Area Social Services (SASS). Non-monetary donations can be placed inside the house, and there is a small black box for depositing monetary donations on the outside of the house. On top of the house is a wish list of some non-perishable food items and personal care items SASS would like.

**Grieving Together**—Grieving a loss of a loved one is such a hard and lonely journey. Why choose to go it alone when you can sit on the grieving bench with others who understand, support and pray with you. Stephen Ministry is facilitating a Grief Support Group on the first Monday of the month at 12:30–2:00 pm and third Monday of the month, 7:00–9:00 pm.



**Shawl Ministry**—Do you want to give a hug to someone for comfort or in celebration? Someone nearby or far away? Prayer shawls and lap robes are in the ladies’ lounge. They are there for you to take, made with love by the Prayer Shawl Ministry.

**Good Samaritan Fund**—We have many seasonal opportunities to help those in need. But did you know that we have a Good Samaritan Fund? We get many requests for emergency assistance from local families, and our clergy and staff use this fund to help when we can. If you would like to donate you can add it to your regular offering with “Good Samaritan” noted on the memo line. We have been able to help several people from this fund because of your generosity.

**Scripture**

Exodus 3:1–15

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**Sermon**

“Not just another day...”  
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**\*Closing Hymn**

*Here I Am, Lord*

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**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

*\*Please stand in body or in spirit*

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## Welcome!

If you have recently begun to worship with us please pick up a welcome gift at the welcome center in the lobby. Please join us for coffee in Christler Hall between services, or visit a Sunday School Class.

### Adult Sunday School Classes:

**Room C**—Bible study and discussion on the book of Jeremiah

**Room H**—Parenting class: *The Sticky Faith Guide for Your Family: Over 100 Practical and Tested Ideas to Build Lasting Faith in Kids*

**Room E**—Ray Vanderlaan Video Series—An in-depth study of the early Christian Church in historical Biblical context.

For children attending worship with their family, there are **Worship Bags and Activity Clipboards** in the back of the sanctuary with age appropriate quiet activities. Please return the bags and clipboards after the service.

**Childcare** is available for children birth to 3 years in Room J/Nursery in the Education Wing.

**Sensory Bags** are available for use during worship services for those who might find them helpful. They contain noise cancelling headphones, weighted lap pads and appropriate manipulatives. Please see an usher for assistance and direction.

**Our Oasis Room** is an extension of our worship space where parents with babies and young children, individuals with disabilities, and other unique circumstances can remain a part of our worship services in a separate space.

**Large Print Bibles**, hymnals and bulletins are available from the ushers.

**Assisted Listening Devices** are available from an usher. These devices can be used alone like a portable radio or with T-coil compatible hearing aids.

**Live Streaming** of the worship services is available. Go to the church website and select Join Us Online, [www.fumc-saline.org](http://www.fumc-saline.org).

**Birthdays This Week** ~ Max Brenner, Peggy Klapper, Carlos Melendez, Ryan Whitfield, 3/17; Betty Christler, Jason Patterson, 3/18; Elaine Carter, 3/19; Megan Baars, Mandy Oberski, Tim Smith, 3/20; Marian Groom, Jon Hartman, Simone Tepper, 3/21; Neha Dean, Wilma Heggaton, Larry Osterling, 3/22; Kevin Moss, 3/23.

**Anniversaries This Week** ~ Vaughn & Judy Bateman, 3/20; Bob & Joan Davis, 3/21.

**Flowers** ~ The flowers on the altar this week are from Gordy and Karen Peters in memory of Karen's aunt, Clara Campbell.

**Due Dates** ~ The closing date for submission of articles for the April newsletter is noon Tuesday, March 19. Please submit articles for the bulletin or narthex screens by noon on Wednesdays.



**Bake Sale Today!** Today's mission bake sale benefits our church's youth programs. Stop by Christler Hall between services to pick up some great baked goods and donate to benefit our youth. Thank you!

**Diaper Drive**—Through Lent, UMW is collecting diapers and wipes for the United Methodist Children's Home. They have started a new mission for babies in Detroit to help reduce the infant mortality rate there caused by shaken baby syndrome. Since SNAP low income assistance does not cover diapers, babies are not being changed as often as needed. Please place your offerings in the crib in the narthex. Any questions, please contact Karin Haynes or Jill Jedele.

**March J.O.Y. Lunch**—J.O.Y. lunch is a fellowship group for retired people. If you are available join us for lunch and fellowship we meet on the **Third Thursday** of every month. This month we meet on March 21, at noon. We will have great food and fellowship. This month's theme will be St. Patrick's Day! Everyone bring a friend and enjoy some fun, see you there! *Cost is a \$5 donation.* Sign up at the Opportunity Wall.

**Next Steps**—If you are an active friend or a guest and want to find out more about the church and how to become more involved in the church, email me at [jeanette@fumc-saline.org](mailto:jeanette@fumc-saline.org) or call the church office at 734-429-4730. ~Jeanette Brenner, Director of Congregational Care

**Rummage Sale April 6**—Our Youth Programs Spring Rummage Sale will be April 6, 7:30 am–1:00 pm. *Drop off GENTLY used, CLEAN items:* April 2–4 in the CLC, 9:00 am–8:00 pm; and Friday, April 5, 9:00 am–5:00 pm. Your donations of gently used household and clothing items would be very much appreciated. We cannot accept mattresses, box springs, construction materials, major appliances, or computers. It is VERY helpful if you are able to help sort your items when you bring them to the church. Come and shop on April 6! Please talk to Jay Leadley if you have any questions.

**Stephen Ministry**—Have you received a shoulder tap from God about searching for a new opportunity to serve Him? Stephen Ministry, a one on one ministry, might be something for you... Are you interested in volunteering as a Stephen Minister in the program here at FUMC? A new class is forming for this year. There is an application process and the forms are available in the church office. Initially the training requires you attend a 2 ½ hour class weekly until the basics are covered. There is no cost for the training. You volunteer your time, the church provides the manuals and other required reading. If you have questions, please contact Jeanette Brenner or Bobbe Hinsman.

## Youth Ministry News—The Underground

Jay Leadley, Director of Youth & Family Ministries, [jay@fumc-saline.org](mailto:jay@fumc-saline.org), 734-429-4730

Visit the Youth Ministry pages on the church website or pick up a calendar at the **Children, Youth & Family table** in the narthex.

### WEEKLY OFFERINGS:

**Sunday School**—Sundays at 10:10 am in the Underground

**Worship Team**—Sundays at 4:30 pm

**Worship Workshop**—Monday nights 7:30–9:00 pm

**The Underground**—For 7<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> Graders, Sunday Nights, 5:30–8:00 pm, dinner included!

**Before School Bible Study**—Fridays, 6:30 am, at Jay's, breakfast and rides to school

## Children and Family Ministry News

### Sunday Mornings from 10:10–11:10 am

TOTS IN TRAINING—Bible training on Sundays for 2 and 3 year olds

CROSS TRAINING—Hands on Bible Workshops for Age 4 through 4<sup>th</sup> Grade.

SUBMERGE – Our 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> graders get *SUBMERGED into God's word in THE DEN*

### Sunday Morning Worship Offerings

GODLY PLAY—for 4 years through Kindergarten after children's message

WOW - WORSHIP OUR WAY—for 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> Grades after children's message.

### Midweek Offerings – Wednesdays

BRICK BY BRICK—LEGO based bible lessons for K–4<sup>th</sup> from 4:00–5:30 pm.

TRUTHQUEST—5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Graders on a quest to dig deeper into God's Word from 3:00–5:30 pm.

### Monthly Offerings

DEN 56—All 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join us at our next DEN 56 on Friday, April 26.

**For more information on the items above**, visit the Growing Up In Christ pages on our church website, visit our Children, Youth & Family table in the narthex, or contact Linda Klepaczyk, Director of Children & Family Ministries at [lindak@fumc-saline.org](mailto:lindak@fumc-saline.org) or 734-646-7987.

**Our Family Lenten Study is today, from 4:00-5:30 pm in Rooms O/P. It's not too late to join us!**

**Oasis Room Update**—This past summer we renovated the cry room and adopted a new name, The Oasis Room, for this space adjacent to the sanctuary. By design, this room is available on an as needed basis for nursing moms, individuals with mobility issues after injury or surgery, individuals with special needs, individuals recovering from illness or grief, and children having difficulty in the worship\* service. In an effort to truly make this an extension of our worship space, we will be posting the following guidelines for use of The Oasis Room during worship services.

- *Casual conversations and use of electronic devices by adults should be limited.*
- *Refrain from eating in this space, just as you would the sanctuary (a small snack for a young child is fine). Christler Hall is a space that is typically available for eating should the need arise.*
- *Due to space constraints, we ask that you limit the number of family members in the room so that it is available to as many individuals/families as possible.*

PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE BY LIVE STREAM IN OUR NURSERY. PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN THEIR CHILDREN 3 AND UNDER IN THE NURSERY IF NEEDED.

Thank you for helping us make this a quiet, peaceful and welcoming extension for our church family and visitors.

*\*Our congregation recognizes young children are learning to sit in worship and welcome children of all ages in our services.*