

Activities & Meetings

Sunday, February 18

8:30 am	Worship	Sanctuary
9:45 am	Sunday School for All	All Rooms
11:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary

Our Wesleyan Choir and Youth Groups will not meet today. It is President's Weekend.

Monday, February 19

7:00 pm	Jane Payne Circle	Off-site
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Tuesday, February 20

1:00 pm	Dorcas Circle	Library
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Wednesday, February 21

7:00 pm	Troop 221	Downstairs
7:00 pm	Team Meetings: Worship, Nurture, Missions, Education	Under Balcony

Thursday, February 22

4:00 pm	VUMmer Hummer Rehearsal	Choir Room
6:00 pm	Lenten Supper	Dining Room
6:45 pm	Lenten Service	Sanctuary
7:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

Saturday, February 24

10:45-12:00	Confirmation Class Rehearsal for Sunday Worship	Sanctuary
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Finance Update for February:

Attendance for February 11: 173

Income:

Week 1: \$ 6,832

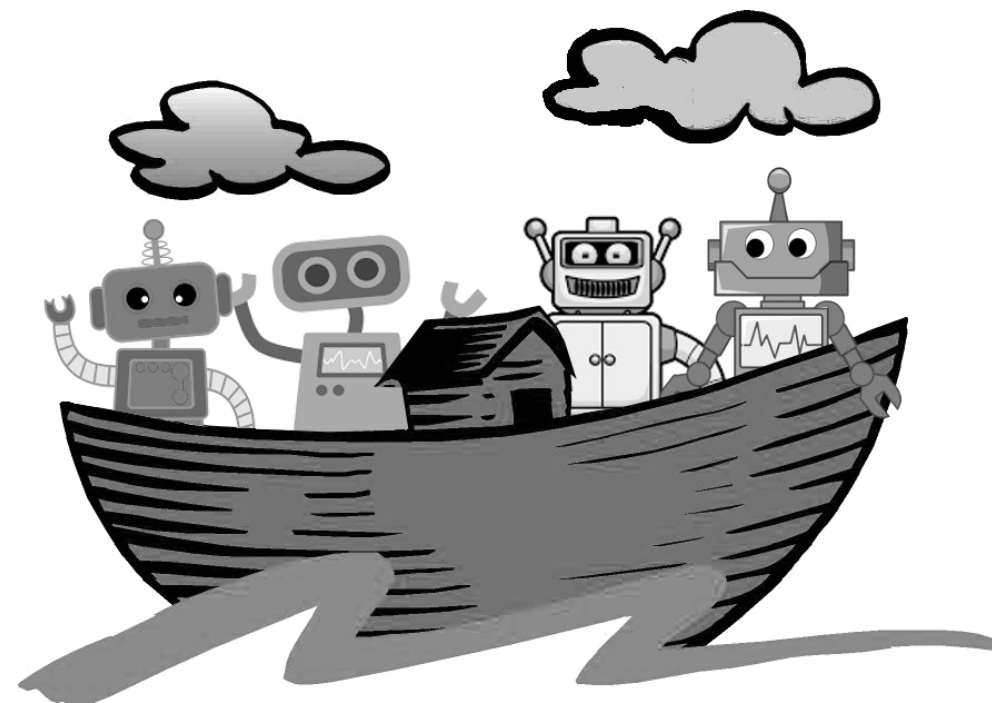
Week 2: \$ 8,594

Income to Date: \$15,426



Welcome to all our visitors today! Please find our welcome packets in the pew back in front of you. Should you have any questions please don't hesitate to talk with any of our staff or volunteers.

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* Indicates to stand if you are able

Pre-service Music - A time of preparation for worship

Announcements and Greeting (Please pass the attendance pads to those near you.)

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Prelude *Arise, My Soul, Arise* ARR VICTOR LANESKE

Bringing in the Light

* **Call to Worship** written by Roddy Hamilton

Leader: The dust that shapes the journey, the cross that guides it,

People: The color that surrounds it, the light that fades through it,

Leader: The word that foretells it, the wilderness that invites it.

People: This is Lent, and into its wilderness God calls us.

Leader: Come, brothers and sisters, Christ is heading for Jerusalem.

* **269 Hymn of Praise** *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* LAND OF REST

* **Passing of the Peace**

Silence

Gathering Prayer

God, we come with hesitant steps and uncertain motives to sweep out the corners where sin has accumulated, and uncover the ways we have strayed from your truth. Expose the empty and barren places where we don't allow you to enter. Reveal our half-hearted struggles where we have been indifferent to the suffering of others. Nurture the faint stirrings of new life, where your spirit has begun to grow. Let your healing light transform us into the image of Your Son. For You alone can bring new life and make us whole. Amen.

Silent Prayer and Meditation

The Lord's Prayer (895 in the red hymnal)

Anthem 8:30 *Meditation* WILLIAM MELTON

11:00 *Rock-a My Soul* (Genesis 17-25) SPIRITUAL

Prayer for Illumination

Gracious God, help us to open our minds and hearts to you today, that we might discern your will for our lives. Help us to hear your message of life, and to respond in faith. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Old Testament Reading Genesis 9:8-17 Pew Bible OT p. 7

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Children's Message

Nursery is available during the entire hour for children age 0-3 in room 21 of the church. Children age 3-5 may leave after the Children's Message for a 3-K nursery in room 22.

* **252 Hymn** *When Jesus Came to Jordan* COMPLAINER

Gospel Reading Mark 1:9-15 Pew Bible NT p. 33

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *Noah & the Robots* Mike Willis

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Offertory 8:30 *Lamb of God* GEORGES BIZET; ARR RAYMOND HERBEK

11:00 *Jacob's Ladder* (Genesis 28:10-17) SPIRITUAL

* 94 Doxology

* Presentation of Gifts

The Sacrament of Holy Communion (Hymnal page 15)

* **2175 FWS Hymn** *Together We Serve* SAN ANSELMO

* **Benediction**

* **God's Light Goes Forth**

* **2176 FWS Congregational Response** *Make Me a Servant* MAKE ME A SERVANT

* **Postlude** *Fugue in E Minor* JS BACH

Those Serving in Worship Today:

8:30	11:00
Acolyte: TBD	Thomas Stewart
Reader: Jan Nieburg	Keith Harrison
Organist: Dan Rosenau	Dan Rosenau
Music: Chancel Bells	VUMmer Hummers
Greeters: June & John Mabee	Matt & Wendy Decker
Usher Team: Bob Strauss	Hal Ehrhardt
Welcomers: Sandy & Rich Bear	Doris Brearley & Kaye Wood