

# Broad Street United Methodist Church



February 25, 2024

Welcome to the Broad Street United Methodist Church.

We are happy you are here today.

The order of worship is found in this bulletin.

\*Indicates congregation stands, if able.

PRELUDE

Judy Schetler

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor James

\*CALL to WORSHIP (responsive)

Pastor James

Lenten travelers, who is this Jesus that we follow?

**He is the Messiah.**

What kind of Messiah is Jesus?

**He is the Messiah who teaches that he will lose his life and who calls us to lose our lives in order to save our lives.**

How does it feel to follow a Messiah whose teachings and call are so hard and uncomfortable?

**Some feel fear and anger, while others feel uncertain and anxious, and still others feel resolute and ready to follow.**

Lenten travelers, we are not alone in our feelings about following Jesus as our Messiah.

It is a hard road. The blessing is that we do not travel it alone.

**Thanks be to God that we share this journey with Jesus and one another as we lose our lives for the sake of the gospel to save our lives through Jesus, our Messiah. Amen.**

*Lisa Hancock, [umdiscipleship.org/worship-planning/second-sunday-in-lent-year-b](http://umdiscipleship.org/worship-planning/second-sunday-in-lent-year-b)*

\*HYMN

*Lift High the Cross*

UMH 159

OPENING PRAYER (pray together)

Helen Rainier

**We come to worship this morning from different places. O God, do not be far from us.**

**We come to worship this morning for different reasons. O God, do not be far from us.**

**We experience the presence of the Spirit in different ways. O God, do not be far from us.**

**We hear Jesus' words with different ears. "Deny yourselves." "Take up your cross."**

**"Follow me." O God, we thank you for drawing near to us in this place, in our lives. Amen.**

*written by Joanna Harader, and posted on [Spacious Faith](http://spaciousfaith.com/). <http://spaciousfaith.com/>*

HYMN

*Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

UMH 297

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Marsha Danser

ANTHEM

*At the River* (Aaron Copland)

Sanctuary Choir

## WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Doug Papp

**As we are gathered here today, we ask you, our living God, to shower onto us your wisdom and knowledge. We pray that as we listen to your word, we may have the ability to clearly see what God has called us to do. We seek to live to fulfill your purpose so that we can see your kingdom. Illuminate our eyes and reveal to us your glory. Amen.**

*25 Compelling Prayers for Illumination – ConnectUS (connectusfund.org)*

PSALTER READING	Psalm 22: 25-31 (led by Doug Papp)	UMH 753
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Mark 8:31 – 9:1	Doug Papp
THE MESSAGE	<i>For the Sake of the Gospel</i>	Pastor James
HYMN	<i>Take Up Thy Cross</i>	UMH 415
*AFFIRMATION from ROMANS	(led by Helen Rainier)	UMH 887

## WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS TO GOD

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE (pray responsively)

Helen Rainier

Help us today, O God, to examine the level of our faith - to look seriously at our resistance to talk about the cross and about sacrifice; and to consider in prayer our reluctance to give up the things of this world - to risk our reputations, our comfort, and our security for the sake of following you - for the sake of witnessing for you - for the sake of obeying you .... Lord, hear our prayer,

**and in your love, answer.**

We pray, O Lord, that you would make us bold in our faith. By our self-forgetting, our self-denial, help us make visible to all our brothers and sisters the reality of your power and care - that power and care that is so often made evident when we confess our weakness - and so often concealed from others when we are strong....Lord, hear our prayer,

**and in your love, answer.**

We pray, O Lord, for those people whose names, or faces, or needs are resting upon our hearts – for the members of our church whose health is failing as they age – for those believers whose families are struggling to deal with teenage rebellion and adult confusion and uncertainty – for those who have little or no faith and who seem to be lost even though your light shines around them and your word is close at hand.... Lord, hear our prayer,

**and in your love, answer.**

We pray, O Lord, for those in our family, our church, our community and our world that you bring to our hearts and minds at this time – and we hold them up to you with the words of our lips.... We pray for \_\_\_\_\_

All these things we pray through your Son Jesus, who died that we might live, and who lives that we might never die.

**Amen.**

— written by Rev. Richard J. Fairchild, and posted on his *Kir-shalom* website. <http://www.rockies.net/>

## WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II

UMH 12

INVITATION

CONFESSION AND PARDON

THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*

TFWS 2129

\*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER

\*GREAT THANKSGIVING

UMH 15

\*THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

## WE SCATTER TO SERVE CHRIST IN THE WORLD

\*HYMN

*The Summons*

TFWS 2130

\*WORDS OF BLESSING (Responsive)

Pastor James

Beloved, go from this place in the love and power of the Triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—to meet your neighbors and yourself with an open heart as we take up our cross and follow Jesus for the sake of the gospel.

**Amen**

*Written by Lisa Hancock and posted on [www.umdiscipleship.org](http://www.umdiscipleship.org)*

POSTLUDE

Judy Schetler

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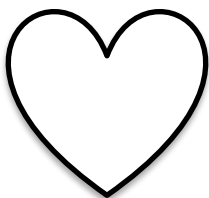
### BULLETIN DEDICATION



Julia and Sarah are wishing their mom,  
Laura Sourwine, a very happy 52nd birthday!



The rosebud on the altar this morning is in honor of Jean Wonderlin's first great granddaughter, Ivy, born on February 17<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations!



February is Women's Heart Health month. There is information on heart health available in the back of the sanctuary to pick up following worship, and women – please be sure to pick up a red dress pin as well. Apologies they weren't available last week.



Please remember our families and friends in prayer

John Robert Chitester, Evelyn Kraft, Mike Levesque, Dale Crocker,  
Herb Tomer, Sharon Durazolapaugh, Terry Ansel, Cindy Kenneally,  
Tom & Linda McElwain, Betty Perino, Bill Michael, Angie Gallagher

Requests for inclusion on the prayer list, removal from the list, or to have a name remain on the list longer than two weeks can be emailed to:

office@broadstumc.org or placed in the offering plate.

Please continue to pray for those on the prayer list in previous weeks.



**HOAGIE**  
**SALE**



Our next **Hoagie Sale** will be Saturday and Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Order forms are available in the back of the church starting today. Hand in the paper form with your payment or pay online. You can use the QR code above. Cost is \$10/hoagie which includes a bottle of water and a bag of chips.

## Calling all men!

BSUMC is hosting the Community Women's Good Friday Breakfast again this year and we need your help! We'd like all of the women to be able to enjoy the fellowship of this breakfast and we're asking if you can join us to help serve the breakfast. The Girls of Grace, along with the women of First Baptist, will be making the breakfast, but if you would be able to help with the serving and clean-up we would really appreciate it! Please let Laura J. or Cindy B. know if you're available. We'd need you from approximately 7:30AM – 10:00AM (depending on how quickly clean-up goes) on Friday, March 29, 2024.

Tickets are available for the **Women's Good Friday Breakfast** now. Tickets are \$5 each. Please help share the word about the breakfast. We will be having the Epworth UMC Handbell Choir joining us to provide a musical program. You may remember them from several years ago at the Baptist Church. We are excited to have them join us.

Check out the church website ([www.broadstumc.org](http://www.broadstumc.org)) for more information on upcoming activities.

## THIS WEEK:

Tuesday, February 27, 2024 – Church Work Day 9:30AM

Tuesday, February 27, 2024 – Bible Study 6:00PM

Thursday, February 29, 2024 – Sanctuary Choir Practice 7:00PM



## Planning ahead... mark your calendars

Tuesdays – Bible Study 6:00PM in Lucas Hall

Thursdays – Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 7:00PM in Lucas Hall

Monday, March 4, 2024 – Deadline to order hoagies

Saturday, March 9, 2024 – Hoagie Sale (pick-up 11:30 – 1:00PM)

Sunday, March 10, 2024 – Hoagie Sale (pick up 12:15 – 1:30PM)

Sunday, March 17, 2024 – Deadline to bring in seeds for the UWF mission project

Sunday, March 17, 2024 – Coffee Hour following Worship (we need a coordinator)

Wednesday, March 20, 2024 – GOG Meeting 7:00PM

Sunday, March 24, 2024 – Palm Sunday Worship; Choir Easter Cantata 11:00AM

Thursday, March 28, 2024 – Set-up for Women's Good Friday Breakfast 9:30AM

Thursday, March 28, 2024 – Maundy Thursday Service 7:00PM

Friday, March 29, 2024 – Women's Good Friday Breakfast 8:00AM (GOG arrives 6:30AM)

Saturday, March 30, 2024 – Set up/prep for Easter Sunrise Breakfast 9:30AM

Sunday, March 31, 2024 – Easter Sunrise Service 7:00AM at the Riverfront

Sunday, March 31, 2024 – Easter Breakfast 8:00AM

Sunday, March 31, 2024 – Easter Worship 11:00AM (Sunday School 9:45AM)

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## United Women in Faith : Seed Collection Mission Project

If you are shopping over the next few weeks and you see seeds on sale, please buy a few packages and bring them in for the annual seed collection mission project run by the United Women in Faith.



For many years, our women have been supporting the Jackson Area Ministries, a mission project of the United Methodist Church. This project supports those living in the Appalachian counties of southeastern Ohio and helps them become more self-sufficient by providing seeds that they can use to grow gardens and cultivate their own food.

We have been faithful supporters of this program and hope to be able to send many packages of seeds again this year. For more information on the mission project, please visit <https://jamumc.org>

The **deadline** to bring in seeds is **Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**. There will be collection boxes in the chapel and in the sanctuary.