

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray:** For the ministry of our congregation that the love of Christ will be shared in the world!
- Pray:** For our country and the President.
- Pray:** For Stella Bishop’s brother who had back surgery.
- Pray:** For Abby
- Pray:** Jean Vander Vort’s grandson, Sean, as he is struggling with the return of cancer.
- Pray:** Jeanne Clark for God’s comforting presence and strength.
- Pray:** For Louis Menapace for recovery, healing and peace; his parents for strength and peace.
- Pray:** For Margie Johnson, friend of Jeanne Clark, lung cancer.
- Pray:** For Maryanne Gawlak for healing and strength.
- Pray:** For Karen Whitaker’s father for healing.
- Pray:** For Mary Tepfenhart for her peace of mind and for the health of her family.
- Pray:** For Eleanor Powell, for strength and comfort.
- Pray:** For Lynn Scott’s sister, Jan, who has Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia.

Pray: For peace and stability in the World.
Please pray for the families and individuals on **page 7** of our Church Directory this week. Those members and friends are:

Burke & Carol Mawby
 Carl & Michelle Mayo
 Rev. Carole & Duncan McCallum
 Katharine McCleary
 Tara & Ryan McCoy, Conner
 Patty McCrink & Bruce Whitaker, Anna
 Scott & Paulette Moeller, Cory, Josh
 Stephen Montero
 Gary & Beth Munson
 Kent Munson
 Sean Munson
 Patricia Naulty
 Beth Newmann
 Mary Sue O’Brien

ATTENDANCE

03/05 31

GIVING

Week Ending
 March 5, 2017

Year to Date

Needed for Ministry	\$2,558.26	\$25,582.60
Actually Given 03/05	\$2,365.00	\$19,663.00

THE NORTHERN CLUSTER CHOIR OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH would like to invite you to our Eastertide Concert at The Lutheran Church of the Reformation, Broadway and Locust, West Long Branch on **Sunday, April 23 at 3:30pm**. Our cantata is entitled “Covenant of Grace” (Jesus said, “I will never break My covenant with you.”) Words and music by Joseph M. Martin; directed by Donna J. Nilson. There will be a free-will offering and refreshments. For more information contact Carol Mawby.

PEOPLE WHO ARE SERVING TODAY

Sunday School Teachers: Joan & Anna
 Ushers: Beverly & Jim
 Counters: Joan & Marilyn

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Grace Pak, Pastor
 Pastor Juyeon Lee, Music Director
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EMBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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At Embury, we are here to know Jesus Christ and to make Him known in the world.

To this end, we will **P.A.C.E.**

- **Practice** intentional spiritual disciplines to know Jesus Christ and to make Him known
- **Align** our lives and all ministries to know Jesus Christ and to make Him known
- **Create** and innovate new ways to know Jesus Christ and to make Him known
- **Equip** and train others to lead and share how to know Jesus Christ and to make Him known

ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 12, 2017

10:00 A.M. Service

The Worship Service begins with Prelude. When the music begins, let us focus our attention on God and prepare our hearts for the worship.

**Please stand if comfortable and able or please be united in heart and posture.*

GATHERING AS GOD’S PEOPLE

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

***Opening Prayer**

Beckoning God,

you call us to journey with you into the unknown.

Help us to respond in faithful obedience.

Strengthen us for what lies ahead so that, secure in the

knowledge of your loving care,

we like Abraham may be a blessing for all.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

***Passing of the Peace**

Please extend a hand to your neighbor and share this greeting:

Greeting: **The peace of the Lord be with you**

Response: **and also with you.**

***Praise**

“We are Called” - #2172

“How Great is Our God” - #3003

Prayer of Confession:

Gracious God,

Looking out on the many challenges of life is often like seeing an impassable mountain or a wide, deepening sea hindering

our way forward. Often we remain discouraged and stay where we have always been.

We confess our disbelief – not listening for your voice or seeing life-giving possibilities in the decisions we need to face and make.

We confess our timidity; the fear of failure, the fear of another’s conflicting opinion or discouraging response.

We confess fear of dying even if it is for the sake of truly living. (silent prayer)

Words of Assurance

Friends in Christ,
the God who calls us to take bold steps outward,
is the One who journeys closely within.
In God, there is welcome, courage, companionship,
constant forgiveness, and renewed strength.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not
into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the
kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Anthem “My Savior and My God” Althouse/Hudson

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

Old Testament Lesson Genesis 12:1-4a p. 11

***Gospel Lesson** John 3:1-17 p. 1051

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Time for Young Disciples

Message “Radical Obedience & Bold Blessing” The Rev. Grace Pak

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Giving of Our Tithes & Offerings

(Prayer requests may be placed in the offering plate at this time)

Offertory

***Doxology**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;**

**Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***Prayer of Dedication** (in unison)

**What a gift you have given us in Jesus, gracious God. Rekindle our
faith. Renew our spirits. Vanquish our fear and grant us courage,
for where we go, Jesus has gone before. In gratitude therefore
we dedicate these gifts and our lives to you. Amen.**

***Closing Hymn** “Blessed Assurance” UMH #369

***Benediction**

***Postlude**



ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK

Sun. Mar. 12	“2nd Sunday in Lent” Daylight Saving begins – clocks ahead Small Group @ church	10:00am 11:15am
Tues. Mar. 14	Small Group @ Parsonage	7-9pm
Thur. Mar. 16	Praise Team Choir	7:30pm 8:30pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun. Mar. 19	3 rd Sunday in Lent Small Group @ church	10:00am 11:15am
Tues. Mar. 21	Small Group @ Parsonage	7-9pm
Thur. Mar. 23	Praise Team Choir	7:30pm 8:30pm

UPCOMING LENTEN SERVICES

Thur. Apr. 13	Maundy Thursday Seder Meal Embury UMC	6:30pm
Fri. Apr. 14	Good Friday Red Bank UMC	7:00pm
Sun. Apr. 16	Easter “Sonrise” Service Sea Bright UMC	6:00am

WELCOME TO EMBURY: We welcome our new friends in Christ’s name. We hope that you will be blessed in our worship services as well as in the fellowship with our members. Please sign the registration card in the pew.

SMALL GROUPS meet Tuesday evenings 7-9pm at the parsonage and on Sundays after the worship service at 11:15am - 12:30pm at the church. For these 10-weeks, we are studying the Book of Psalms and we will see how they are used for prayer, praise and express a variety of emotions toward God and others. Join us for the opportunity to experience the blessings of growing in faith together! Any questions? Contact Pastor Grace at pastor.gracepak@gmail.com

For MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 13, Embury United Methodist Church will be hosting a Seder Meal reenacting Jesus’ Last Supper following in the footsteps of Jesus during his last days. This is a spiritual worship service with traditional Jewish Passover liturgy and meal/dinner culminating with Holy Communion. We will begin at 6:30pm and the length of the service and dinner will be a little over 2-hours. Dinner is potluck as participants are asked to bring food to share. Any meat dish, side dish and desserts are welcome. Matzo will be provided. In keeping with the Jewish tradition (it will not be 100% Kosher even if we tried. However...), we ask that you keep in mind the following: No pork or pork meat products. Meat and dairy cannot be mixed in the same dish, such as casseroles. No yeast in the bread or cake. There are many websites on the internet with recipes for Seder meals like this one. <http://allrecipes.com/recipes/holidays-and-events/passover/seder/>. Please sign up and let us know how many are planning to attend and what you will bringing to help with the preparation. Don’t forget to invite friends!

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY – is available in the Narthex, the Information Table outside the Parlor and in everyone’s Church Office Box!

FLOWER CHART: The Flower Chart for 2017 is in the Narthex all ready for your “In Honor” and “In Memory” Floral arrangements. Be sure to sign up soon for your personal date.

COUNTER NEEDED for only one Sunday per month! Please contact Wade Turnock if you could help in this ministry @ 732.747.3113.

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK: We have an Embury Facebook Page. It is “Embury UMC – Little Silver, NJ” Come visit and join in the conversation.

EMBURY’S WEBSITE: Visit our website at www.emburyumc.org for ministry information, our photo library and upcoming events, etc.

FOOD GIFT CARDS: If you are interested in food gift cards, please contact the following: Stella Bishop for Acme or Foodtown (732-600-6460). Thank you.

UPPER ROOM: The Upper Room is now available for March and April 2017.

FELLOWSHIP IN THE PARLOR: Join us for a time of fellowship after the service for good conversations and wonderful refreshments. If you would like to bring any refreshments to celebrate any joyous occasions, please talk to Andrea Dadap.