Lent Worship Series and Adult Bible Study

Habits and routines help us stay on track in many areas of our lives – whether it’s our physical, mental, or emotional health. They can help us grow in our spiritual lives too. In this series, we will explore several spiritual disciplines, or faithful habits, that can help us deepen our relationship with God.

Lent is the perfect time to commit or recommit to a spiritual discipline, as we enter a season of self-examination in preparation for Easter. To join our 9:00 am Sunday Adult Bible Study, email Pastor@HopewellMethodist.org.

Week 2: Scripture | Scripture: Psalm 1:1-3
Week 3: Fasting | Scripture: Matthew 6:16-18
Week 4: Confession | Scripture: 1 John 1:5-9
Week 5: Worship | Scripture: 1 Corinthians 10:31-33
Palm/Passion Sunday: Silence | Scripture: Mark 14: 26-41

Lent Soup Suppers and Worship

The Hopewell Council of Churches will continue its tradition of hosting Wednesday evening Soup Suppers and Worship during the season of Lent. This year we will meet virtually from 6:30-7:30pm via this link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82086152038.

The link will be the same each week. During the 6:30-7:00pm time slot, we will gather and fellowship. Each week our COC intern Ben will reach out to the various churches to share our favorite soup recipes. Then, attendees will be invited to share their soup together during this time. The more traditional worship will begin at 7:00-7:30pm.
Youth Meet-up: Sunday, March 14th @ 5:00pm (via zoom)
We will have our on-line Youth Meet-Up via zoom this month. All youth 6th through 8th grade are welcome to attend. Join us as we play games, ask questions and have fun! Links will be emailed. If you’d like more information, please contact Pastor Laura at the email address below: pastor@hopewellmethodist.org

Book Talk: Tuesday, March 16th at 7:00 pm (via zoom)
Mustard Seed, by Laila Ibrahim
This is book two in the Yellow Crocus series. Although it’s a stand-alone book, we recommend you read book one, Yellow Crocus, to really enjoy book two. It is a historical fiction story that takes place in Virginia, Post-Civil War period. The story continues with the lives of Mattie, Lizbeth and Jordon. Three women returning to the plantation they once called home. A haunting and tender story that is also a real page turner. For more information about our Zoom meeting, please contact HopewellUMCSecretary@gmail.com.

Online Prayer Meeting – 7:00pm Now Thursdays until April 7th.
Let’s gather from our homes to bring our concerns to each other and to the Lord. Prayer Time Zoom Meeting ID: 867 0701 6102 or Dial by phone: 1 929 205 6099 and enter the above meeting ID number.

Please note: The Hopewell Council of Churches will be holding Wednesday evening services during Lent so, beginning on February 18th, the Prayer Meeting will take place on Thursdays at 7:00pm instead of Wednesdays until the week after Easter, which would be April 7th.

Virtual Coffee Time
Join us at 11:00 am via Zoom for Coffee Hour! Coffee Time Zoom Meeting ID: 878 0513 2866 or Dial by phone: 1 929 205 6099 and enter the above meeting ID number.

Certified Advanced and Basic Lay Servant Classes: Spring 2021
All classes will be virtual via Zoom. To best engage with the instructor and class, you will need a computer, tablet, iPad, or smartphone with a camera. There is a call-in option for those who do not have the listed equipment. Access information will be provided via email upon registration. The participant’s book will be mailed to you. The cost of registration is $50 and includes materials. You must attend all of the classes in the schedule you choose in order to receive certification.

Advanced Lay Servant Classes:
Planning and Leading Worship
Dates: Tuesdays – February 16, 23 and March 2, 9, 16, 23
Time: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Led by: Rev. Kim Crutchfield

Polity & UM History
Dates: Saturdays – April 10, 17, 24
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Led by: Rev. Jack Orr

Basic Lay Servant Classes:
Dates: Mondays – February 15, 22 and March 1, 8, 15
Time: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Led by: Frank Friend & Terri Pagani

Dates: Saturdays – April 17, 24
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Led by: Frank Friend & Terri Pagani

Important dates coming in March:
Monday, March 1st - MAT Meeting at 7:00 pm
Tuesday, March 9th – Admin Meeting at 7:00 pm
**Missions News:**

Wow! This year’s Souper Bowl of Caring for Hopewell Valley Mobile Food Pantry was amazing!

A big thank you to everyone who helped support this through food and/or monetary donations and prayers.

A special shout out goes to the HUMC Youth Meet-Up Group and their fundraiser for Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday that was held on Sunday, February 14th. The live music and silent art auction was awesome! Thank you everyone who came out to support them.

All together we were able to give the HV MFP a check for $1,000 along with several bags of food, too.

Our First Mission Quarter, which included Angel Tree for December and Souper Bowl of Caring for HV MFP in Jan/Feb was such a blessing for so many children & families. Thank you for helping us share Local Love with those in need.

Starting in March we will begin our Second Mission Quarter and our theme will be Humanitarian Relief. Watch our up & coming announcements for more details.

HUMC Missions Team

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**March is Women's History (or should I say “Herstory”) Month**

The month of March is an annual declared month that highlights the contributions of women to events in history and contemporary society. It is celebrated during March in the United States, the United Kingdom, and Australia, corresponding with International Women's Day on March 8th.