



# Freshwaters

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MARCH 2022

## FROM THE PASTOR

Greetings and blessings, dear friends, sisters, and brothers! May the blessing and peace of the Holy Spirit rest upon you all!

The season of Lent is not too far away, and as I reflect upon this, a prayer comes to mind that we usually hear on Ash Wednesday. The prayer goes like this: ***“We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these misdoings.”*** These are heavy words from the Book of Common Prayer, a book used by our Anglican and Episcopalian sisters and brothers. This prayer would have been very familiar to John and Charles Wesley and the early Methodists.

These words convey a deep mournful sorrow towards the sins we have done, left undone, or have turned away from, such as in acts of injustice.

Today, sin is an uncomfortable subject and seemingly out of place in this anything goes “whatever feels good to me” culture. Yet, sin is at the heart of many issues we see facing us. Racial tensions stem from sin, sexual immortality stem from sin, the corruption in our institutions stem from sin, and so on. Scripture tells us that sin is the killer of individuals, families, friendships, communities, nations, and yes, even churches. Jesus tells us graphically that if a hand causes us to sin, we should cut it off, or if our eye causes us to sin to pluck out our eyes. He is speaking metaphorically, of course, but his point is that sin is deadly; it kills our soul, joy, hope, and love for God,

## Sermon Series

**March 6**

I Can Heal the Sick

**March 13**

Follow Me

**March 20**

Pastor Gone on vacation with family  
Anything Is Possible for Me

**March 27**

The First Will Be Last

**April 3**

I Am the Son of God

**April 10**

PALM SUNDAY  
Maiden Voyage

**APRIL 15**

GOOD FRIDAY  
Service 7 PM

**April 17**

EASTER SUNDAY

neighbor, and self. When I look around at the state of our world, nation, and culture, I see evidence of the reality of sin destroying beautiful lives all around us.

The remedy is confession and repentance through and in the person of Jesus Christ. Scripture says that if we confess our sins, He (Jesus Christ) is faithful and just and will cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In the Old Testament, we hear the words that if a nation would humble itself and confess, God would restore and heal the land. This is GREAT NEWS – we can be and are forgiven. We have new life. Christ cleanses us if we confront the reality of sin – the sin of unforgiveness; the sin of not honoring God, coveting what our neighbor has; the sin of lust, greed, sexual immorality; the sin of looking the other way in the face of injustice. Sin is pervasive, subtle, sneaky, and destructive! Jesus Christ came to deliver us from the hell of sin, set us free, renew our hearts, lives, souls, bodies, and minds; to be righteous, humble, loving, forgiving, and holy people.

In this season of Lent, I invite you to look into your lives, see where there is sin, confront it by confessing it, rejecting it, repenting of it, and turning once again to the Savior who is with you; in all your battles! Jesus Christ destroyed sin's hold over you and me – THIS IS LOVE! Amen!

Pastor Kevin



**BUT THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS LOVE, JOY,  
PEACE, PATIENCE, KINDNESS, GOODNESS,  
FAITHFULNESS, GENTLENESS, SELF-CONTROL;  
AGAINST SUCH THINGS THERE IS NO LAW.**

**GALATIANS 5:22-23 ESV**



## Sunday School

The tree doesn't TRY to grow fruit; it grows naturally as long as the tree has plenty of water and sunlight. The tree spends its time trying to reach down for water and reach up for sunlight and the fruit comes as a result. In the same way, when we focus on trusting in God and filling our mind and hearts with God's Word, the fruit of the Spirit will start to naturally be seen in our life.

### March 6th, No Sunday School

**March 13th, Love** – The Bible says that “God is love.” When we live by His Spirit, we will be like Jesus and do things out of love for others instead just doing things for ourselves. Luke 15:1-7, The Parable of the Lost Sheep

**March 20th, Joy** – True, lasting joy can only come from knowing we have eternal life by believing in Jesus and accepting him as our Lord and Savior. Luke 24:50-53, The Ascension

**March 27th, Peace** – Peace isn't just about feeling calm; we need to be peacemakers, helping people find peace in the midst of conflict. 1 Samuel 25:1-35, Abigail Creates Peace



## Easter Memorial Garden

Purchase flowers in honor or memory of loved ones to decorate the church for Easter.

Flowers are \$15 for each 6-inch pot.

- Easter Lily
- Begonia
- Cyclamen
- Kalanchoe
- Mum
- Tulip or Hyacinths (florist choice)

Order online at [freshwatersumc.org](http://freshwatersumc.org) under the Seasonal Flowers tab, or paper order forms are available in the weekly bulletin or from the Church office.

### PASTOR KEVIN VACATION

March 15-March 23 ~ Pastor Grant Tanner will be on call his email is [HGTanner3@gmail.com](mailto:HGTanner3@gmail.com) and his cell number is 763-355-4994.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

# EASTER EGG HUNT

APRIL 16, 2022



Activities | Games

112 7th Ave N, Princeton  
Freshwaters UMC

### We are looking for donations and volunteers for our Kids Easter Celebration on Saturday, April 16th

- Pre-filled Easter Eggs that can be purchased from Walmart or Amazon
- Bars and cookies
- Volunteer helpers for setup, cleanup and the hunt itself

Contact Jenna J or Pastor Kevin if you would like to help.

**Bags of Blessing!** We will be seeking donations of food items or financial contributions to help us in our efforts to feed children on free or reduced lunches. This is a great ministry of connection between our congregation with the schools in Princeton and Zimmerman. Be on the look out for the sign up sheets as we see what the needs are in the coming year!

Good Food  
Great Fellowship

## Men's Group BREAKFAST

ALL ARE WELCOME

WHERE: K-BOB CAFE

WHEN: LAST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH

8 A.M.

FOR MORE INFORMATION  
CONTACT ISAAC 763-742-4583

# Freshwaters Single Board Minutes

February 8, 2022

Linda Olson called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Present were Linda Olson, Susan Kettelhodt, Kevin Fox, Ryan Purdy, Scott Liestman, Andrew Harvala, Phil Lingle.

The agenda was approved as written.

January minutes had been approved previously by email.

Susan gave a financial report. January ended with a positive balance and giving remains good, although we do not have the youth director salary to support at this time.

Andrew will get bids on the Fellowship Hall remodeling next month.

Kevin reports that Sunday School is going well as he and his team have the rest of the spring planned out.

The Board will not have a meeting next month, and will have a retreat here at the church on April 2 from 9 – 1 with a lunch provided. Other leadership members from the church will be invited. We will have our regular monthly Board meeting as a part of the retreat.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35.

Submitted by Phil Lingle

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## FRESHWATERS TRUSTEES MINUTES

February 8, 2022

Members present: Andrew Harvala, Scott Lusche, Skip Harman and Jim Hennessy

Chairman Andrew called the meeting to order.

### **Old business:**

Andrew is still waiting on shop drawings and an install date for the new door system on the bell tower door. The board approved the film to be frosted of design.

We've had some request to lower the camera in the sanctuary. Jim is will look into a solution for this.

Fellowship Hall HVAC – There was a damper fixed on the RTU and that seems to be operating as it should now. Andrew also adjusted the thermostats to hopefully get a more consistent temperature.

Next project to update the fellowship hall. New flooring, painting, upgrade the lights, replace ceiling tiles and remove room divider curtain. Andrew is planning on getting bids together for that in the next month.

If there is anyone in the congregation that as an idea on how to best display the Zimmerman Bell please let any of the trustee's know. We would like to get that done this summer.

The contacts were updated for the safety deposit box.

### **New business:**

Trustees did a walk through of the building. There are numerous bulbs to get replaced and some ceiling tiles.

It is planned to not meet in March but and have the next meeting on April 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Harvala, Chair

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 9 AM Quilters	2 <b>Ash Wednesday</b> Soup Supper 5 PM Worship 6 PM	3	4	5
6 <b>9:30 AM Worship</b> <b>10:30 AM Coffee Hour</b> No Sunday School	7  7 PM BSA	8 9 AM Quilters	9  Soup Supper 5 PM Worship 6 PM	10	11	12 4-H   9 AM to 12 PM
13 <b>9:30 AM Worship</b> <b>10:30 AM Coffee Hour</b> <b>10:45 AM Sunday School</b>	14  6:30 PM 4-H 7 PM BSA	15 9 AM Quilters	16  Soup Supper 5 PM Worship 6 PM	17	18	19
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27 <b>9:30 AM Worship</b> <b>10:30 AM Coffee Hour</b> <b>10:45 AM Sunday School</b>	28  7 PM BSA	29	30  Soup Supper 5 PM Worship 6 PM	31		

**Regular Sunday Worship  
In-Person and Streaming Live at 9:30AM**

# Freshwaters March 2022

## BIRTHDAYS

March 02     **Aaron S**  
March 03     **Gloria W**  
March 05     **Lester G**  
March 05     **Joyce T**  
March 06     **Syrus C**  
March 06     **Bobbie H**  
March 06     **Nancy L**  
March 08     **Bob B**  
March 08     **C.J. Z**  
March 09     **Sadie H**  
March 10     **Grace C**  
March 10     **Maelyn P**  
March 10     **LeeAnn S**  
March 11     **Kelly Sr**  
March 11     **Rich S**  
March 13     **Kevin F**  
March 14     **Rosanne B**  
March 14     **Wendy F**  
March 14     **Randy H**  
March 14     **John T**  
March 15     **Walter H**  
March 16     **Linda L**  
March 18     **Reese S**  
March 19     **Lawrence C**  
March 19     **Susan K**  
March 19     **Gary M**  
March 21     **Miranda F**  
March 22     **Caitlyn S**  
March 24     **Otto Sr**  
March 25     **Peggy W-Z**  
March 26     **August M**  
March 26     **Faith Z**  
March 28     **Charlotte M**  
March 28     **Ashley S**

## MARCH MINISTRY NOTES

### ANNIVERSARIES

March 5             **Isaac & Jenna J**  
March 6             **Jeff & Dana B**  
March 26            **Jon & Rosetta C**  
March 31            **Lee & Shirley D**

## PRAYER AND MINISTRY

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRAYER

<b>Charlotte Y</b>	<b>Hans &amp; Gloria</b>
<b>Betty &amp; John O</b>	<b>Celeste H-J</b>
<b>Val V</b>	<b>Mary V</b>
<b>The Lowell Yahnke Family</b>	<b>The Ruth H Family</b>

Let's bless our Seniors who are home bound or are unable to get out much. Why not pay them a visit, give them a call or send them a note to let them know you're thinking of them!

**Muriel Walker**

### Sound Schedule

March 6 - Jim Hennessy  
March 13 - Isaac Jenson  
March 20 - Scott Liestman  
March 27 - Slayter Carey

## Sunday Coffee Hour Hosts

### March 2022

**March 6th** – Needed

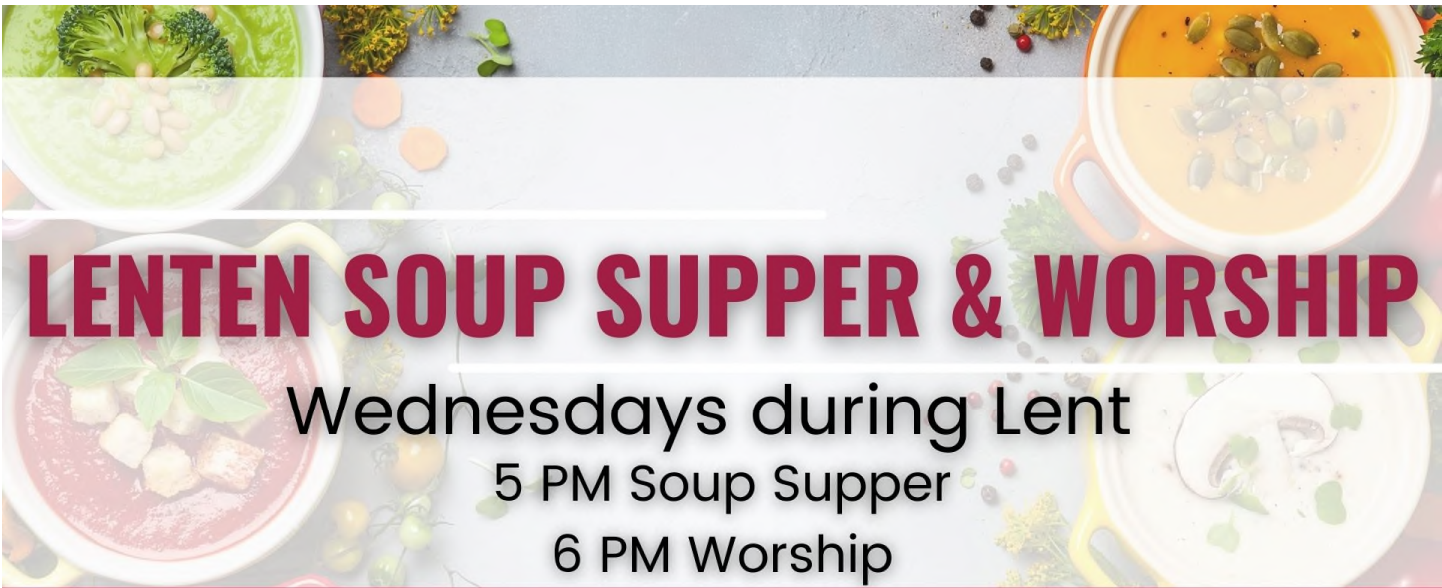
**March 13th** – Deb & Peg

**March 20th** – Needed

**March 27th** – Needed

Complete instructions are available in the kitchen, or are available from the church office or from Myla T (651-955-3877).





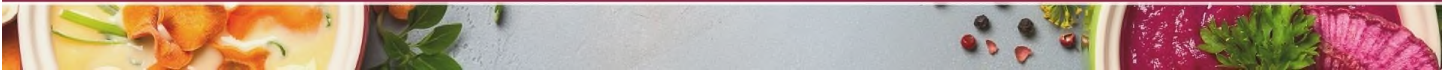
# LENTEN SOUP SUPPER & WORSHIP

Wednesdays during Lent  
5 PM Soup Supper  
6 PM Worship

Wednesday, March 2nd to Wednesday, April 6th

FRESHWATERS UMC

Sign up to share a soup, bread, or dessert in the narthex.



**QUILTERS**  
**Tuesdays**  
**9 AM**



JOIN US FOR A TIME OF  
CRAFTING AND  
CONVERSATION!  
PEOPLE OF ALL  
EXPERIENCE LEVELS  
ARE WELCOME TO JOIN.

## Youth Group

Sunday Nights | 6 - 7 PM

Pastor Kevin's House

Grades 6-12 welcome!

Contact Pastor Kevin for his  
address to join the fun!



### Coffee Hour

Following the morning Service

Hosts needed for upcoming Sundays

Coffee Hour is a great time to connect with our Freshwaters' family. Enjoy a cup of coffee, a small treat, and a visit with a friend, old or new. We are looking for volunteer hosts to help with upcoming Coffee Hours. Hosts are a simple but essential part of our team at Freshwaters. A signup sheet is in the entryway.

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**MARCH 2022**

**FRESHWATERS UNITED METHODIST**

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**Join us In-Person or Online on Sundays at 9:30 AM!**

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