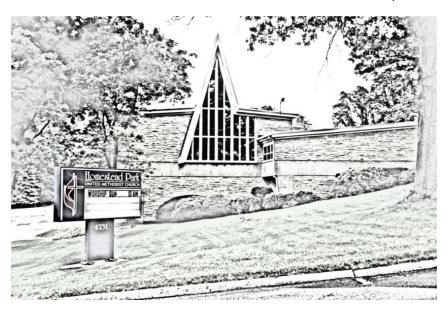


## February 28, 2021

**Second Sunday of Lent** 

Message Arms That Refuse to Fold!

Scripture: Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32 NIV



Our Mission

The mission of the church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

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## **Second Sunday of Lent**

## HOMESTEAD PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

February 28, 2021 10:00 am Worship Pastor Don Kephart ~ Bo Collins, Music Director

## **PRELUDE**

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*OPENING PRAYER

God of the lost, the least, and all who long for home, when we wander from your ways and waste the gifts you have given us, welcome us back, we pray, so that we may celebrate and rejoice in your presence forever; through Jesus Christ your beloved Son, Amen.

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Pastor: On these days of Lenten journey, People: Christ goes with us side by side, Pastor: While we gather here for worship,

People: May our lives be focused with praise and care. Pastor: As we sing, pray, and listen to your holy word.

### **SONGS OF PRAISE**

<sup>\*</sup> Please stand as you are able.



## PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Doxology Prayer of Dedication

## OUR TIME OF PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**SONG OF PRAISE** 

**SCRIPTURE** Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32 NIV

~ Please see insert

MESSAGE Arms That Refuse to Fold!

Pastor Don

**HYMN OF DEDICATION** 

#298 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

**BENEDICTION** 

Worship for today is over, but your service to God for the week is just beginning.

# Our Scripture

#### Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32 NIV

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. 2 But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them."

- 3 Then Jesus told them this parable:
- 11 Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. 12 The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them.
- 13 "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. 14 After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. 15 So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. 16 He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything.
- 17 "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! 18 I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.' 20 So he got up and went to his father.
- "But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.
- 21 "The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'
- 22 "But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. 23 Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. 24 For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate.
- 25 "Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. 26 So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. 27 'Your brother has come,' he replied, 'and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.'
- 28 "The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. 29 But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. 30 But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!'
- 31 "'My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. 32 But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.'"



## Calendar of Events

Today 10 am Worship Service

Tuesday 03/02/2021 7 pm Tuesday In the "Word" Bible Study (Sanctuary)

Saturday 03/06/2021 10 am Homeless Lunch Prep



## and Important Dates

Sunday 03/07/2021

**Homeless Lunch Delivery** 

Please remember to wear a mask or some other kind of appropriate barrier when you are in the church building with other persons.

### A Note from Pastor Don

Members and Friends, Please contact me directly by cell phone text or email if you need to speak with me. My contact information is located in the bulletin as well as on the business cards in the back of the Sanctuary. Thank you.

### **Holy Communion Schedule**

Holy Communion will be held on the first Sunday of February, June, August, October, and December, as well as on Maundy Thursday.



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## **New Prayers and Praises**

## **Continued Prayers**

- Sue, Sister-in-law of Patti Zapf
  - Prayers are requested for a good result on a biopsy on her pancreas. She has otherwise been feeling well and appreciates all of the prayers.
- The family of Rudolph Phillips, father of Rev. Mark and Matthew
  - Prayers are requested on his passing.
- Greg Dyakon, Son-in-law of neighbors of Carol Hils
  - Prayers requested for him and his family as he has been in ICU for several weeks due to Covid symptoms.
  - UPDATE Greg was put on a ventilator this past week.
- Evelyn Brown, friend of Laurell Colizza
  - Prayers requested for unnamed health concerns and was lifeflighted to the hospital.
- Tony, member of the military guard and fellow vet of Connie Jamison and Gene and Glenda Conrad
  - Prayers requested after falling and being admitted to a nursing facility.

### Friends and Members who are Shut-ins or in Care Facilities

- Dorothy Davies
- William Fred Crux
- ❖ Marilyn Myford

## **Serving in Our Armed Forces**

- Sgt. Chip Conrad National Guard
- Cpl. Lawson Priestley Marine Corps

To all who serve and have served our country, Thank you for your sacrifice.

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call or email your requests to the church office by Thursday morning of each week.