

Thursday Connection

Building the Community,
One Light at a Time

March 14th, 2024

Calendar of Events

Saturday March 16th

11:00am — Service for Richard Fry

At Greenmount Cemetery.

Pastor Rachel will be officiating.

Sunday, March 17th

St. Patrick's Day

9 am—Classic Worship Service

10 am—One Minute Misson

10:15am—Sunday School

11 am—Connection Worship Service

5pm - Lenten Fellowship Dinner at

Melrose Chapel UMC

6:30 PM—Lent Service at Melrose Chapel UMC

Monday, March 18th

9am—Care Team

2 pm— Lenten Study

6:15pm—Leadership Board

Tuesday, March 19th

9am—Quilters

Wednesday, March 20th

5pm— Lenten Study

6pm-Bell Choir

7pm—Youth Group

7pm- Chancel Choir

March 17th, 2024

5th Sunday of Lent

9am Greeters

Jim Worrell, Peggy Morey & Carolyn Brown

9am Ushers-March

Carla & Kelly Kielsmeier

11am Greeters

11am Ushers

Justin & Nathalie Messan

Gathering Place Host

Suzi Duker

Contact the VSUMC Church Office at: 217-222-7468 or Office@vsumc.org

Sunday Worship Scripture — March 17th, 2024

Sermon Title: The Covenant of the Heart

Jeremiah 31:31-34

<u>Lenten Study — March 17th & March 20th</u>

Lenten Study will meet: Mondays at 2:00pm and Wednesday at 5:00pm

It's not to late to join us!



Sunday Evening Lent Services and Locations

- 3/17/2024 Melrose Chapel UMC Carl Terry

 Lenten Fellowship Dinner at 5pm
- 3/24/2024 First Baptist Tara Hayes

All services will be at 6:30 pm

Easter Offering

Our 2024 Easter offering will be divided between VSUMC's Unmet Needs and Shepherd's funds and UMCOR's "As needed" fund.

Our Unmet Needs fund is used to fulfill our pledges to cases presented at Unmet Needs, to assist those within our community that are "falling through the cracks" of available community resources.

Our Shepherd's fund is used to assist those connected to VSUMC who are need assistance.

UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) offers assistance around the globe following natural disasters, as well as in war zones and refugee camps. The "As Needed" fund allows UMCOR to direct the aid to where it is most needed.

Help Wanted

Volunteers needed:

We will need assistance at the Easter Egg Hunt. Set up will be at 12:30 that day. If you are available, please join us for the fund



We are also taking donations individually wrapped candy for Easter Eggs. (We have the eggs!) There is a collection box near the chapel for your donations.

<u>One-Minute Mission:</u> Sunday, March 17, between worship services, we will have a one-minute mission to put the candy in the eggs! Stop by and help for a few minutes!

If you are unable to join us in person, you may also worship with us on air at 9 am on WGEM radio at FM 105, and 9 am will be live streamed at our web site, <u>vsumc.org</u>, and on our <u>YouTube channel</u>. The recording will be available later at those sites.

March Birthdays

- 1 Brian Barnes
- 3 Don Larson
- 3 Breanne Rischard
- 4 Jana Priepot
- 5 Pam Davis
- 7 Alyssa Livesay
- 9 Jennifer McCaughey
- 10 Ava Barnes
- 10 Samantha Barnes
- 10 Mary Schardon
- 11 Brad Billings
- 12 Chuck Mahon
- 13 William Heaton
- 15 Todd Buckley
- 16 Bonnie Billings
- 16 Emily Lewis
- 18 Cinda Barnes
- 18 Candy Scott20 Leslie Hamm
- 21 Eva Adele
- 22 Jennifer Brown
- 24 John Staff
- 27 Laina Turner
- 27 Eric Sieck
- 28 Mick Hultz
- 29 Trish Crane
- 31 Carolyn Brown

March Anniversaries

- 10 Dan & Evie Conrad
- 12 Tony & Trish Crane
- 13 Eric & Jennifer McCaughey
- 24 Ryan & Carla Fierge
- 25 Marvin & Darlene Kerber
- 30 Terry & Jana Priepot



Meal Train for the Youth Group Information:

Link: https://mealtrain.com/1v5yn3

Pastors Rachel and Kathy

Or

Easter Lilies Information

Easter Lilies are just around the corner!

The price this year will be **\$12.00** per lily.

Last day to Order will be 3/25/2024.

Delivery will be the 29th of March.

They will be available for pick-up after

Easter Service until the 2nd of April.

Larger order forms can be found in the Gathering Space, in the Bulletin, and in the secretary's office.



	Easter Lily Order Form		2
	quantity	S check / cash \$12.00	
PLEASE PRINT			
In memory of			
Given by:			



Bright Start Preschool

The leprechaun made a visit to Bright Start Preschool today.
Our lucky students found the pot of gold!

Happy St. Patrick's Day!







Greeter Sign Up

Please remember to sign up to help greet. The sign up is in the Gathering Place.

Thank you!

Connection Cards

Don't forget to fill out your connection cards on Sunday mornings.

Thank you!











