



MPC Connection

Members Pictures & Church Announcements

2025 Issue 62

Wednesday, March 5th we Kicked off the season of Lent with our Ash Wednesday service. This is always a beautiful time of worship with the imposition of the ashes as we prepare our hearts and minds to Journey thru the 40 days of Lent. Sunday, March 9th we kicked off our Lenten series, which will carry us through to our Easter celebration! May this coming season of Lent be a time that we rejoice in God's graciousness and mercy shown toward us all because of the work of our Lord Jesus Christ. I encourage you to put the Lenten Lunches and Holy Week services on your calendars. What better time of year to connect with Jesus and your church family.

Linda at wmpcoffice@gmail.com

If you have pictures, you would like to share with us: St. Patrick's celebrations, Community events, gatherings, Kids sports, etc., Church activities, etc., please send them to me and I will include in the next issue. Anything you would like to share, please send to me. All pictures are welcome.



During this time of worship, please know that we are available through email and phone messages. I am checking them regularly and response in a very timely manner. ***Please reach out if you need anything.*** If I can't answer your question, I will find out the answer and get back to you.

Please stay safe and healthy and know we are here for you.

Linda

Church Administrator

Lent: Listening To God Through Luke

This Lent we will be reading a portion of Luke each day to grow in faith. Each of the 4 Gospels is a distinct story written to help a specific group of worshippers grow in faith and see Jesus as the Anointed One. The goal of the Gospel of Luke is to provide a detailed, chronological account of Jesus' life, ministry, death, and resurrection, with a particular focus on Jesus' compassion and message of salvation for the marginalized and outcast, including Gentiles, Samaritans, women, and the poor.

As we read each day, I ask that you....

- Take a few slow deep breaths
- Ask God to help you let go of your thoughts and take in the reading
- Read the scripture passage
- Reflect – what portion drew you in the most and why?
- Pray – ask God, "What do you want me to gain from this reading?"
- Hold – Hold what you think God is saying to you in the scripture as you go about the day.

As you read the book of Luke open your mind and heart to the truth that God is always within you and guiding you.

Each of us is on a journey as an individual, but also as a member of the church. How is God guiding you to get more connected to specific people in the church? How is God guiding you to get more involved? If you are extremely involved, how is God guiding you to invite others to share in responsibilities of the church?

As we read through Luke, realize that our community of faith is called by God to welcome and invite to people that long to experience God's love, peace, and hope in their lives.

God bless,

Rev. Keith Reed

40 DAYS IN THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

Reading Checklist for Lent

- ☐ Ash Wednesday 1:1-38
- ☐ Thursday 1:39-80
- ☐ Friday 2:1-20
- ☐ Saturday 2:21-52

(First Sunday of Lent)

- ☐ Monday 3:1-38
- ☐ Tuesday 4:1-30
- ☐ Wednesday 4:31-44
- ☐ Thursday 5:1-39
- ☐ Friday 6:1-16
- ☐ Saturday 6:17-49

(Second Sunday of Lent)

- ☐ Monday 7:1-23
- ☐ Tuesday 7:24-50
- ☐ Wednesday 8:1-25
- ☐ Thursday 8:26-56
- ☐ Friday 9:1-27
- ☐ Saturday 9:28-62

(Third Sunday of Lent)

- ☐ Monday 10:1-42
- ☐ Tuesday 11:1-28
- ☐ Wednesday 11:29-54
- ☐ Thursday 12:1-32
- ☐ Friday 12:33-59
- ☐ Saturday 13:1-35

(Fourth Sunday of Lent)

- ☐ Monday 14:1-35
- ☐ Tuesday 15:1-32
- ☐ Wednesday 16:1-31
- ☐ Thursday 17:1-37
- ☐ Friday 18:1-17
- ☐ Saturday 18:18-43

(Fifth Sunday of Lent)

- ☐ Monday 19:1-28
- ☐ Tuesday 19:29-48
- ☐ Wednesday 20:1-26
- ☐ Thursday 20:27-47
- ☐ Friday 21:1-38
- ☐ Saturday 22:1-23

(Palm Sunday)

- ☐ Monday 22:24-53
- ☐ Tuesday 22:54-71
- ☐ Wednesday 23:1-31
- ☐ Thursday 23:32-56
- ☐ Friday 24:1-27
- ☐ Saturday 24:28-53

(Easter Sunday)



Betsy presented Jack with a combination birthday cake and appreciation for his years of service



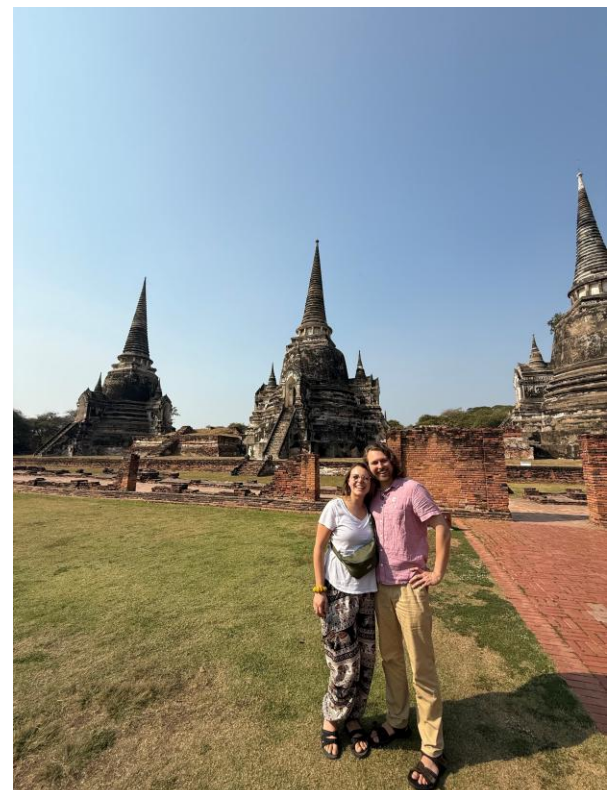
The lesson on February 23 was about the Lord's Prayer. Afterwards we made pretzels out of play doh because pretzels are symbolic of arms folded in prayer.



Girls night out! They enjoyed a concert by Jay Daniels. An enchanting concert celebrating the timeless works of Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II.



**Andrew & Felicia
Reed celebrating
Chinese new year
in Thailand during
their Honeymoon!**



Congratulations to
Macarena & Robert Keller Jr.
married on January 4th 2025



A BIG
thank
you
♥

To the
Woman's Club of Wenonah
for their generous donation to
our food pantry



Announcements and Upcoming Events

Wednesday, March 12th (11:30 am–1 pm) Lenten Lunch & Study - Back by Popular Demand! Our church (WMPC) will be hosting the first week of our Wednesday Lunch & Study. We have done amazing at providing a great lunch in the past and need to rally the troops again. We need soups, desserts, bread, drinks and maybe a veggie tray. Please contact Ellen Lanciano if you have any questions.

Women's Guild Meetings:

- April 1st- Lynne
- May 6th- church
- June 3rd no host yet



Friday, March 28th (7-9 PM) Join us at Memorial Presbyterian Church of Wenonah for a for an Board & Brush workshop! Just bring your creativity and a willingness to learn. We provide all the materials and instruct you step-by-step to create a beautiful piece for your home or for a gift. Choose from a variety of paint and wood stain colors in the workshop. Please feel free to bring your favorite appetizer and beverage. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Tickets: Click on the link on our Facebook page or at:

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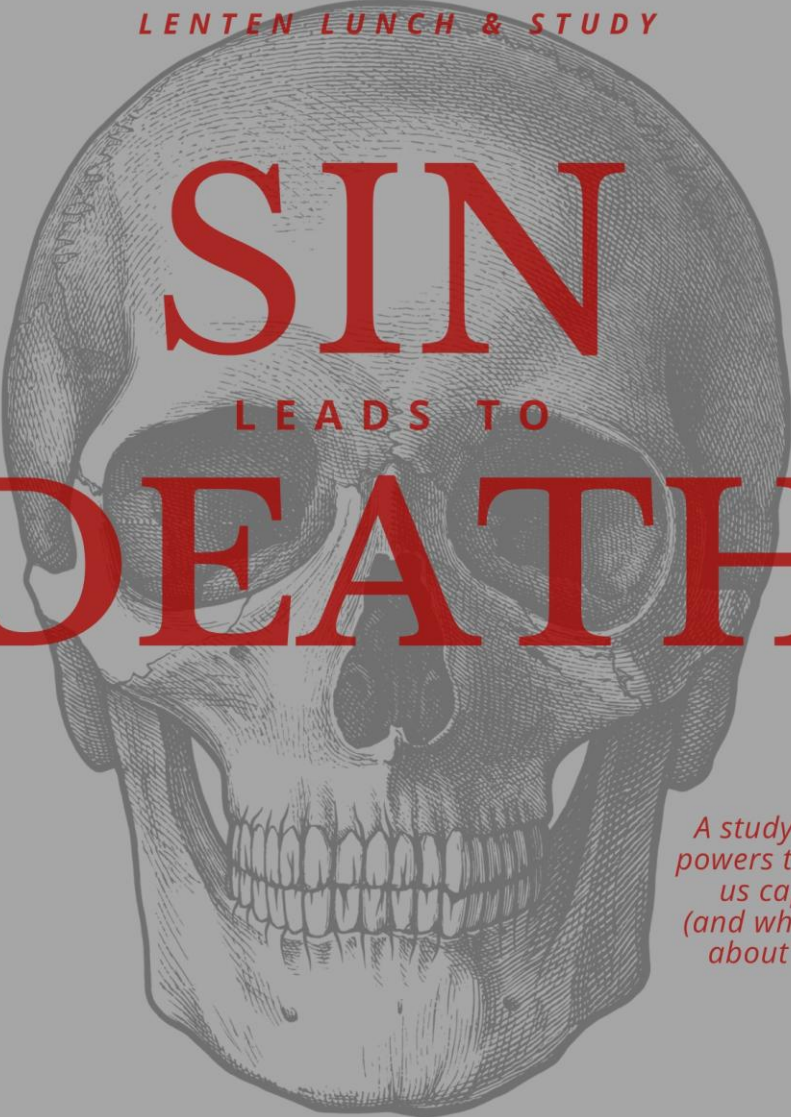
Lenten Sermon Series March 9 – April 6

**CHOOSING
GOD**

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Being Losers
Being Rejected
Being a Sinner
Being Too Vulnerable

LENTEN LUNCH & STUDY



SIN
LEADS TO
DEATH

*A study on the
powers that hold
us captive
(and what to do
about them)*

WEDNESDAY IN LENT - 11:30 AM

03.12 - Pride
Memorial Pres

03.19 - Greed
First Pres

03.26 - Idols
Holy Trinity

04.02 - Hate
St. Paul's UMC

04.09 - Envy
Holy Nativity



Give blood.

Help save lives.



**American
Red Cross**

Blood Drive **Memorial Presbyterian Church**

Hall
202 E. Mantua Avenue
Wenonah, NJ 08090

Monday, March 24, 2025
2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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RedCrossBlood.org and enter: wenonah to schedule an appointment.

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questions on the day of your appointment.



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Scan to schedule
an appointment.

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March 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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April 3rd - Marjory Townsend

April 9th - Rob Cleary

April 10th - Samuel Craig

April 10th - Theodore Shin

April 17th - George Peck

April 29th - Alex Lott

April 25th - Ellen Lanciano





Mary Buck
Dolly Davis
Joyce Elloitt
Ethel Hunsinger
Jim Jubb
John Murphy
Betsy Ostrander
Art Perry
Alexis Skinner
Phyllis Stewart
Leslie wages

Memorial Presbyterian Church is committed to praying for the needs of our congregation and community. We believe prayer can be a source of healing and comfort that brings us closer to God. If you would like to add someone to our prayer list, please email the church office at wmpcoffice@gmail.com



Pastor's Open Visitation Hours
Rev. Keith Reed is in the Pastors and wants to hear from you.

Open visit times
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
10:00am – Noon

If your schedule doesn't work for these times, please contact me and we can schedule time.

God bless,
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