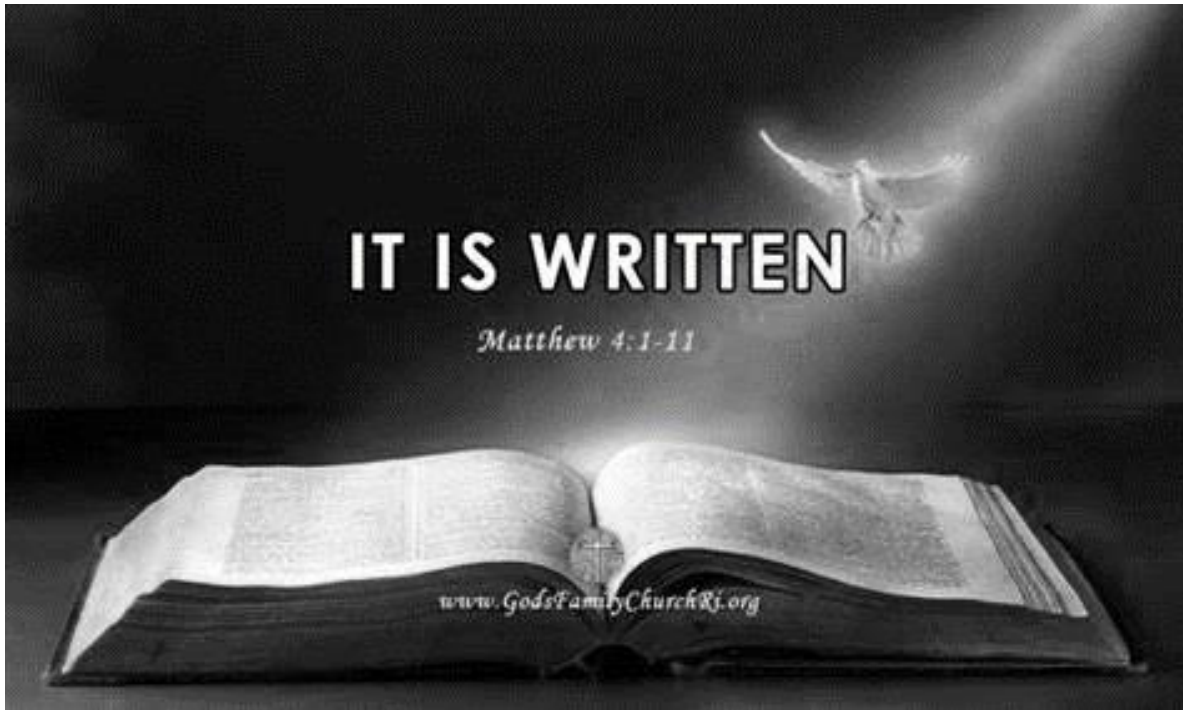


**First United Methodist Church  
101 E. Main St. Westfield, NY  
March 1, 2020**



***It Is Written!***

Focus: First Sunday in Lent

**Looking ahead:**

- March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5 @ 7pm - Lenten Book Study
- March 8 – Scout Sunday, Communion, Day light Savings time starts – Spring forward
- March 14 – Pancake Breakfast
- March 22 – UMCOR Offering
- April 4 – Sunday School Activity (FH)
- April 5 – Palm Sunday
- April 9 – Holy Thursday Service @ Westfield @7pm
- April 10 – Cross Walk – Noon – Moore Park
- April 12 – Easter Sunday
- April 26 – Native American Sunday

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| Last Sunday's Attendance: [2/23/2020] .....                                       | 72               |
| Last Sunday's Offering: .....   | \$ 1,343         |
| <b>Total YTD Offering (as of 2/23/2020).....</b>                                  | <b>\$ 13,695</b> |
| <b>Total YTD Expenses (as of 2/25/2020) [does not include payroll for 2/29] .</b> | <b>\$ 18,645</b> |
| <b>Total YTD from investments to cover bills (2/25/2020) .....</b>                | <b>\$ 0</b>      |
| <b>Monthly Apportionments due .....</b>   | <b>\$ 4,122</b>  |
| <b>Total Apportionments paid (1/15/2020).....</b>                                 | <b>\$ 2,375</b>  |
| <b>Needed weekly to make budget (2020) .....</b>                                  | <b>\$ 3,337</b>  |

**Mission Statement:** *To know Christ and to make Christ known*

**Vision Statement:** *We are the voice and the hand that encourages people to change their lives with hope, comfort and peace*

**February 9 – March 1 - Mission Project: We will again collect funds and products for babies – diapers and wipes. Envelopes are available near the Welcome Center outside Gibbs Parlor.**

**Lenten Project: ♥Prayer Hearts♥**

**From Feb 23 – March 1** you can come and pick a heart ♥ from the basket. All we ask is that you daily pray for the person whose name you drew for the Lenten Season (Ash Wednesday, February 26 through Easter Sunday, April 12). Can't make it to church but still want to participate? Contact the office and we will put your name on a ♥ and send you a ♥ with a name.

**Don't forget to pick up your hearts!**

**If you are interested in coordinating OR helping out with VBS for this Summer (you get to decide dates, times & frequency as well as curriculum) please see Pastor Nick or contact the church office.**

**Pancake Breakfast – Saturday, March 14 – see insert for more details. Tickets available at the office or from Gail Boardway or Cheri Lathrop**

**Lenten Book Study - *A World Worth Saving***

God thinks the world is worth saving. When we are close to God, we too will want to save the world. For anyone who dismisses Lent as a seemingly endless time of self-sacrifice and introspection, this 6-week study for Lent offers a breath of fresh air. It connects prayer and other inner spiritual practices with outward actions of mercy and compassion. George Donigian guides you to grow in your prayer life by praying about daily news reports, discovering the needs around you, and responding with love and compassion. You will discover ways to: serve others; feed the hungry; seek justice and fight injustice; offer healing; extend friendship

The author's conversational style and use of well-known hymn texts will engage you in this energizing Lenten study.

**Sundays @7pm starting March 1 – April 5, 2020 (FUMC Westfield)**

Book \$10

Sign up outside the church office or email the church office or call the church office to reserve your spot!

**\*\*\*Books are now available in the outer office**

**Devotional books are out – The Upper Room (March/April), The Word For You Today (March/April/May) and the Daily Bread (March/April/May)**

**Jeff Schuster would like to thank everyone for all the wonderful Birthday cards that he received. You all helped make his day extra special.**

**RCL Readings March 1, 2020**

The readings for this week:

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

Psalm 32

Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11

**This week March 1 – 8 (15), 2020**

**Sunday (1):** 8:30 Worship – (G)  
9:45 Sunday School  
10:45– Worship – (San)  
Coffee Fellowship  
7pm – Lenten Study

**Monday (2):** Apple Seed  
11:30- 12:30 Westfield Community Kitchen (FH)

**Tuesday (3):** Apple Seed  
1 – 2:30 pm Food Pantry  
6 – Kelly Bates (FH)

**Wednesday (4):** Apple Seed  
4:30-5:30 Westfield Community Kitchen  
Tops  
5:30 – 7 Food Pantry

**Thursday (5):** Apple Seed  
6 – Kelly Bates (FH)

**Friday (6):** 11:30- 12:30 Westfield Community Kitchen (FH)

**Saturday (7):**

**Sunday (8):** Communion  
8:30 Worship – (G)  
9:45 Sunday School  
10:45– Worship – (San) – Scout Sunday  
1-5 - Private Function (FH)  
7pm – Lenten Study

**Monday (9):** Apple Seed  
11:30- 12:30 Westfield Community Kitchen (FH)

**Tuesday (10):** Apple Seed  
1 – 2:30 pm Food Pantry  
6 – Kelly Bates (FH)

**Wednesday (11):** Apple Seed  
Respite  
4:30-5:30 Westfield Community Kitchen  
Tops  
7 - UMW – Gibbs Parlor

**Thursday (12):** Apple Seed  
6 – Kelly Bates (FH)

**Friday (13):** 11:30- 12:30 Westfield Community Kitchen (FH)

**Saturday (14):** Pancake Breakfast

**Sunday (15):** 8:30 Worship – (G)  
9:45 Sunday School  
10:45– Worship – (San)  
7pm – Lenten Study