

**BLUFF POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

5th Sunday in Lent

**Pastor, Sandi Perl**  
**Aimee Perry, Choir Director**

**Elly Stempien, Organist**  
**Stacy Wyant, Liturgist**

Sharing Grace - Discussion point: Which of these attitudes is the snake that makes the kingdom slip away and which is the ladder to the kingdom come?

A. Jesus will prepare a place for me in the kingdom of God.

B. I will be ready to hear God's kingdom call when it comes.

**WELCOME AND GREETING**  
**ORGAN PRELUDE**

**\*SONG OF PRAISE -**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: In the Light of God's love we journey through the dark laces of life

**C: knowing we should fear no evil and will be victors in God's grace.**

L: So let us worship the one who journeys with us and helps us to overcome our fears

**C: To live with strength even in our tears. Amen**

**\*MORNING PRAYER**

**WOMEN/GIRLS ONLY: Holy God, we come before you aware of our smallness in the vastness of the universe. Who are we that you notice us? Who are we that you care for us? Parent God, you are all seeing, all knowing. We do not need to see the bigger picture, or to know the time of what is to come. We are called to watch and pray; to live in the now, to pay attention to your movement and activity here in this time and to get involved in it.**

**MEN/BOYS ONLY: Lord, forgive us for allowing our focus to drift away from you. Transform us and restore us as your sons and daughters, followers of Jesus, who watch and pray and respond to your daily call to us. Amen.**

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE - Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE -**

**CHILDRENS TIME**

**CHORAL ANTHEM -**

**PRAYER TIME/PRAYER HYMN –**

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Psalm 102:12-17 (p 553), Mark 13:24-37 (p 50)

**MESSAGE**

**\*OFFERTORY/DOXOLOGY/PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**Generous God, all that we have and are belongs to you, accept our offerings here and now, may they be symbol of all that we offer. Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN:**

**People of God, keep alert, say awake! Bring light where there is darkness. Bring love where there is hatred. Bring hope where there is anguish. Bring peace where there is violence. Speak the truth to a hurting world that this is not all that there is, for the One who we follow is faithful and has not abandoned us: we need not fear. God now, and share Gods' blessing, this day, and always. Amen.**

**\*GOOD NEWS:**

**SHARING GRACE DURING THE WEEK:** To embark on a new journey we must leave certain things behind.

Think about the legacy that you will leave behind when you come to the end of your journey?

Is it a legacy that you will be happy with?

Is it a legacy that you think God will be happy with?

Pray for those people whose lives are weighed down by burdens both of their own choosing and those forces upon them.

**POSTLUDE**

**FWS – Faith We Sing**

**UMH – United Methodist Hymnal**

**Please join us for fellowship with our host: Sarah Stackhouse**

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## **SERVING THIS WEEK (3/13/16)**

Greeters: Meredith Nielsen and Ruth Ann Makatura  
Ushers: Fuzzy and Ryan Andersen  
Scripture Reader: Barbara Bailey  
Fellowship: Sarah Stackhouse (Birthday Sunday)  
Sunday School: Pam Althouse  
Nursery: Christ and Stacy Wyant  
Counters: Elly Stempien and Bill Sutherland

## **SERVING NEXT WEEK (3/20/16)**

Greeters: MaryAnne Miller and Joel Warren  
Ushers: Marguerite and Ron Miller  
Scripture Reader: Marguerite Miller  
Fellowship: Marilyn Sands  
Sunday School: Pam Althouse  
Nursery: Phil Pearce and Michele Covert  
Counters: Elly Stempien and Bill Sutherland

Tuesday Noon: **Women's Luncheon at Antique Inn**. All women are invited to come and share a meal with one another.

Tuesday - 7PM, **Choir Rehearsal**

Wednesday – 10:00am Bible Study – at church - Bad Boys of the Bible

Thank you to everyone who helped at the Baked Potato Dinner!

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

March 27<sup>th</sup> – Sunrise Service and 9:00am Service

### **Contact Us:**

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