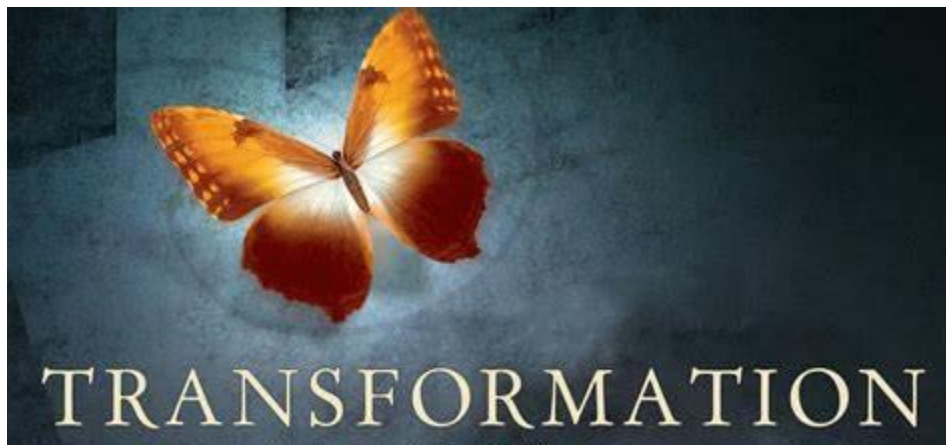




St. Mark's

United Methodist Church

March 30, 2025 - 9:30am Service



Scripture Reader: Ann Showers

Ushers: Jeanne Bennett and Nancy Krutzfield

Acolyte: Izzy Berwald

Guest Preacher: Rev. Barrie Tritle

Special Offering: UMCOR Sunday
Next week Special Offering: Free Lunch Program

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Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Passing of the Peace

Call to Worship

Pastor Barrie Tritle

Leader: A seed is planted in the ground and a new plant grows.

People: Transformation happens.

Leader: A caterpillar enters its cocoon and becomes a beautiful butterfly.

People: Transformation happens.

Leader: Lord, you hear our confessions and desire for new life with you.

People: Lord, hear our prayers. Transform our heart. Lead us into new life with you. Amen

Opening Hymn

This Is a Day of New Beginnings

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Children's Moment

Pastor Barrie Tritle

Special Music

Congregational Hymn Sing

Offertory & Prayer – Doxology

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Barrie Tritle

The Lord's Prayer

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Hymn of Preparation

Have Thine Own Way Lord
v. 1, 2, 4

pg. 382 UMH

Scripture

Acts 9:1-8

Ann Showers

Sermon

Paul: Transformation

Pastor Barrie Tritle

**Hymn
Benediction**

Hymn of Promise

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Closing Hymn

As We Part

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Postlude

Announcements



The Season of Lent

Our theme for this year is from a book called The Third Day by Tom Berlin (available from Amazon). It is looking at resurrection through the eyes of Mary Magdalene, Peter, Thomas, the men from Emmaus, and Paul. Each week we will walk the journey with each of these characters learning about what resurrection meant to them.

Lenten studies continuing:

- Wednesday's: April 2 and 9 beginning at 6:00 PM with dinner (provided by Focus Forward) and Lenten study following from 6:30pm – 7:30 pm in Fellowship Hall
- Thursday's: April 3 from 10:00am – 11:00am in the Sanctuary

If you have any questions, be sure to call the office or ask Pastor Alberta.

You are welcome to join one or both studies as the group discussions will be different.



Golden Valley District Superintendent has put together a 2025 District Church Prayer List asking us to pray for specific churches and their clergy. Please pray this week for the Muscatine Spangler Chapel UM Church and High Prairie UM Church, Pastor Gerry Kahler.

Special Worship Services During Lent

7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

April 17th – **Maundy Thursday**

April 18th – **Good Friday**

Today's Offering-UMCOR Sunday

UMCOR Sunday seeks to increase awareness and support for the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). Gifts given on UMCOR Sunday play a vital role in enhancing the church's global humanitarian response because these funds cover UMCOR's administrative costs. This support ensures that 100% of donations given to UMCOR throughout the year can be directed toward on-the-ground relief and recovery efforts, allowing UMCOR to effectively respond to crises and provide assistance where it's needed most.

Today is Pancake Sunday

The United Methodist Men will be fixing pancakes and sausage for everyone's enjoyment after worship today in Fellowship Hall! **Enjoy yummy food and wonderful fellowship!**

Upcoming Weekly Calendar

- 3/30** 9:30am – 10:30am – Sunday Worship – Sanctuary
10:30am – 12:00noon – UMM Pancake Breakfast – Fellowship Hall
10:45am – 12:45pm – ASL Movie Review Bible Study – Youth Room
- 3/31** 10:30am – 11:30am - Loom Mat Making – Youth Room
11:30am – 1:00pm – Holy Art – Fellowship Hall
6:00pm – 7:00pm – American Sign Language – Fireside Room
6:30pm – 9:00pm – Scouts Pack 250 – Fellowship Hall
- 4/1** 9:30am – 11:00am – Grayye Matters – Youth Room
12:00pm – 3:30pm – PEO chapter JF – Fellowship Hall
6:00pm – 7:30pm – Odd Fellows – Fellowship Hall
7:00pm – 8:00pm – Narcotics Anonymous Meeting – Wesley Room
- 4/2** 1:00pm – 5:00pm – Christmas Stockings – Wesley Room
4:00pm – 5:00pm – Men's Book Club – Fireside Room
6:00pm – 8:00pm – Dinner and Lenten Study – Fellowship Hall
6:30pm – 7:15 pm – Bell Choir – Music Room
7:15pm – 8:00pm – Choir Practice
- 4/3** 6:00am – 8:00am – Kiwanis – Fellowship Hall
10:00am – 11:00am – Lenten Study - Sanctuary
10:30am – 11:00am - Library Bookmobile – parking lot
6:30pm – 8:30pm – Cub Scouts Pack 251 – Fireside Room and Fellowship Hall
- 4/4** 6:30pm - 9:30pm – Dungeons and Dragons – Fireside Room
7:00pm – 8:00pm – Narcotics Anonymous Meeting – Wesley Room
- 4/5** 8:00am – 1:00 pm – Focus Forward – Youth Room
9:00am -11:00am – Overeaters Anonymous – Youth Room
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