

Anthon United Methodist Church

1st Sunday In Lent

Lay Pastor Shirley Nelson

February 26, 2023 10:00 AM

God Calls Us to Respond

PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE (Joys and Concerns)
Lord’s Prayer

Prelude and Lighting of Altar Candles

We Gather in God’s Presence

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Song “Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days” UMH #269

Call to Worship

Liturgist: Lisa Kerns

L: Happy are those whose sins are forgiven.
P: Happy are those whose sins are cast away.
L: Rejoice in the Lord! Be glad!
P: Sing out! Shout for joy!
L: Rejoice in the Lord!
A: Rejoice! Amen!

Opening Prayer

Holy One, we are constantly bombarded with temptations and enticements. When we yield, when we fail, who will help us? You, Lord, have come to our aid. You teach us, counsel us, and guide us in the ways we should go. We rejoice in your unfailing love. AMEN.

We Hear God’s Word

First Reading Genesis 2: 15-17; 3: 1-7

Observing Ash Wednesday Lisa Kerns

Hymn of Preparation “Sunday’s Palms are Wednesday Ashes” TFWS #2138

Gospel Reading Matthew 4: 1-11

Today’s Message “The Start of Forty Days” Roger Hladik

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

***Doxology #95,**

Prayer of Dedication

All: God, you have given each of us gifts to use as members of the body of Christ. Here are our gifts, the work of our hands, our hearts, and our lives. We pray that they may help to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to our world, today and always, here and everywhere. AMEN.

Closing Hymn “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” UMH #526

Sending Forth with Blessing

Postlude//Extinguishing of candles

Ministers.....EVERYONE!
Lay Pastor.....Shirley Nelson
Liturgist.....Lisa Kerns
Organist/Pianist.....Eileen Van Meeteren

IN THE CIRCLE OF OUR CONCERN:

OUR COUNTRY, OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, our church, Bishop Laurie Haller, our community leaders, our president, our farmers, Steve Diamond, Bobby Lewis, Nina Osborne, Tom & Cindy Herrick, Eleanore Lewis, Fran & Keith Determann, Sheryl Ashley, David Beach, Susan Redenius, Ron Steinhoff, Dee Ashley, Ed Davis, Brad Harbaugh, Alta Patterson, Ralph Diamond, Trisha Thiessen, Kathy Johnson, Randy Hayworth and Doris Waugh.

Remember our Nursing Home Residents!

Please let us know if anyone should be added or removed from this list.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

February 26: Lenten service tonight at 5:30. Shirley will talk about Mary Magdalene. A simple supper and fellowship will follow. Our time together will last about an hour. Plan now to attend. We will have five Sunday nights discussing the people who were at the cross with Jesus.

March 1: Discussion meeting on Affiliation. 7:00. A time to ask questions and discuss the future of the church.

Mar. Readers: March 5-Autmn Hansen, Mar. 12-Tyler Hansen, Mar. 19-Eileen Klindt, Mar. 26-Tim Hoy.

Weekly Birthdays and Anniversaries: David Zahnley (26), Alex Pulford (27), Tim Hoy (29), Zach Gothier (3).

Mar./Apr. Upper Room Devotionals are on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

Anthon Military: To our men and women in uniform.... past, present and future, God Bless You and Thank You!

If you have a loved one connected to the service, please let us know.

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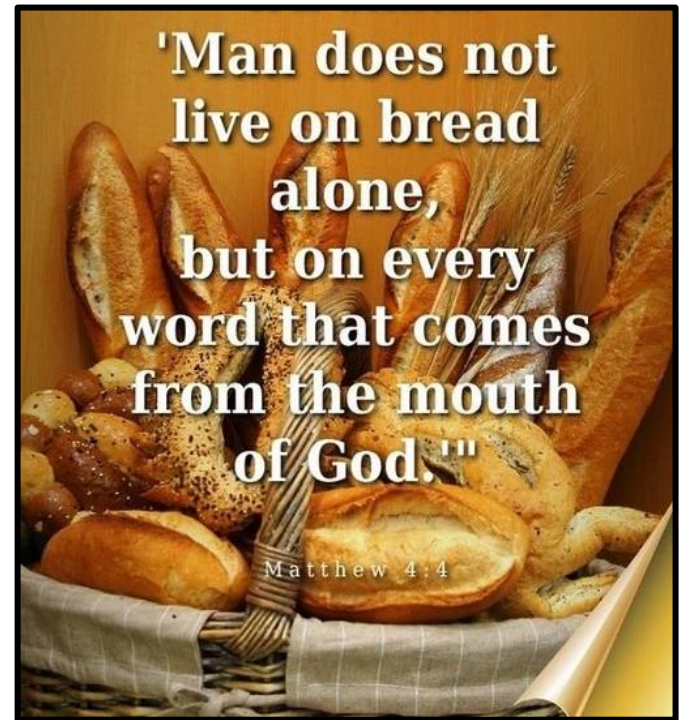
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Quote of the Week

**“We're concerned with how things turn out;
God seems more concerned with how we turn out.”**