

Anthion Community Methodist Church  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent  
Lay Pastor Shirley Nelson  
March 30, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m.

Gospel Lesson

John 12: 20-33

Today's Message

Kathy

We Gather in God's Presence

Prelude and Lighting of Altar Candles

Welcome and Announcements

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Opening Song "To God Be The Glory" UMH #98

Call to Worship Liturgist: Jerry Klindt

L: This is the fourth step on our Lenten journey, the step of sacrifice.

**P: Be with us, Lord, as we take this step.**

L: This requires the willingness to give all of your life to the Lord.

**P: Be with us, Lord, as we commit our lives to you.**

L: Come, let us worship and offer our voices of praise to God.

**P: Let us open our hearts and spirits to God this day. AMEN.**

Opening Prayer

**Lord, be with us this day as we commit ourselves to being your disciples. Help us to face the future unafraid, trusting in your loving care and presence with us. We pray this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.**

We Hear God's Word

First Reading Jeremiah 31: 1-6

Readers Theatre

Special Music "Amazing Grace" Erin Baird

Children's Story Kathy

Hymn of Preparation "Lift High the Cross" UMH #159

God Calls Us to Respond

**PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE** (Joys and Concerns)

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Giving of our Tithes and Offerings**

\*Doxology #95,

Prayer of Dedication

**All: Lord, we come before you with joyful hearts, eager to give back a portion of what you have given us. May our tithes and offerings be a blessing to others as they have been to us. AMEN.**

Closing Hymn "Spirit Song" UMH #347

Extinguish the Fourth Lenten Candle

Sending Forth with Blessing

Postlude

Ministers.....EVERYONE!

Lay Pastor.....Shirley Nelson

Liturgist.....Jerry Klindt

Organist/Pianist.....Eileen Van Meeteren

IN THE CIRCLE OF OUR CONCERN:

OUR COUNTRY, OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, our church, our community leaders, our president, our farmers, Bobby Lewis,

Tom & Cindy Herrick, Fran & Keith Determann, Ed and Carol Davis, Brad Harbaugh, Alta Patterson, Trisha Theisen, Keith Allman, Eleanore Lewis, Rick Gubbels, Lana Kropf, Tracy Lewis, Peggy Hansen, Bettina Perkins, Barb Madsen, Elwanda Sheriff, Joyce Gothier, Jeanette Kummer, Roger Hladik, Stephanie Johnson, Brittany Miller, Norma Bunnell, Roger Nelson, Jen Kerns, & Mark Nelson.

**Bettina Perkins is in the Battle Creek Nursing Home, room 204**

Remember our Nursing Home Residents!

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

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Today:** We will be showing Godspell, a religious musical and serving a simple supper. We will start the movie at 3:00. Enjoy an afternoon movie and as always good food afterwards.

**April 13:** Palm Sunday

**April 20:** Breakfast will be held on Easter morning from 8-9:30am. We will be serving egg bake, rolls and coffee cake, juice and coffee. We will be calling for food donations. If you would like to provide an egg bake or rolls, please contact Shirley or JoLynne.

**May 2 and 3:** Anthon will be holding their town rummage. We will be having a \$1 only rummage. Everything will be priced \$1. If you would like to donate to this rummage, you will be able to bring saleable items in and putting them in the first big Sunday School room. No clothes please. Knick knacks, small appliances, magazines, coffee cups, kitchen items, CD's, DVD's etc. Anything that you are no longer using but would sell at a rummage. All money will go toward mission projects.

**April Readers:** April 6-Erin Baird, April 13-Lisa Kerns, April 20-Duane Brandt, April 27-Marilyn Hladik.

**April Children's Story:** April 6-Shirley Nelson, April 13-JoLynne Reimert, April 20-Kathy Hodgdon, April 27-Erin Baird.

**Weekly Birthdays and Anniversaries:** Anita Brandt (28), Gaige Miller (5).

March/April. 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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