

Our Prayers, Presence, Gifts & Service

March 25, 2012

Attendance	Weekly Giving: \$707.00	Building Fund
Worship: 51		YTD \$1,165.00
Adult SS:		Balance \$14,392.59

**LONG-TERM PRAYER CONCERNS**

Sharon Wishowski	Pauline Fink	Ann Weir
Jake McJames	Aletha Matica	Bob Beatty
Oline Robinson	Cindy Hogan	Kim Wood

**Have you visited, talked to or written to a shut-in lately?**

Listed below are our known confined members and friends.

If we have omitted anyone who should also be on this list, kindly let the church office know.

**Jean Emery:** P.O. Box 65, Sanford MI 48657

**Keith Francis:** Colonial Villa, 5007 Universal Dr., Midland, MI 48640

**Dorothy Joynt:** Stratford Village, 2121 Rockwell, Midland, MI 48642

**Aletha Maticka:** Marshall Manor, 1119 Holyrood St. Midland, MI 48640

**Bruce Milligan:** 5822 N. Lake Dr., Sanford, MI 48657

**Shirley Renwick:** Stratford Village, 2121 Rockwell Rm. 244, Midland, MI. 48642

**Arvella Rogers:** Tendercare, 4900 Hedgewood Dr. Rm. 2, Midland, MI. 48640

**Ann Weir:** 216 Diane Dr., Flushing MI 48433

**WWW. HELP**

**We need help managing our Web Site.**

**If you are skilled in this area**

**Please give us a call at 687-5353**

## Scripture Readings for Holy Week The Passion of the Christ

**April 2-** Isaiah 52:13-53:12 - Jesus the Suffering Servant

**April 3-** St. Mark 14:43-52 – Jesus Arrested

**April 4-** St. mark 14: 53-72 Jesus before the Sanhedrin and Disowned

**April 5-** St. Mark 15: 1-20 – Jesus Before Pilate

**April 6-** St. Mark 15: 21-32 – Jesus Crucified

**April 7-** St. Mark 15: 33-47 Jesus' Death and Burial



**THANK YOU:** We would like to thank everyone who helped us receive, sort, count and shelve 1,873 pieces of food from Meridian High School. March 14th was a very busy Wed. for the church, so set up and clean up were also crucial. Without the help of dedicated volunteers we could not have done it. Thank you! Earl and Kay Crawford

**2012 Church Directory:** Your new 2012 Church Directory is at each entrance of the church on the tables. If there are any changes, please let the office know, 687-5353.

**FOOD PANTRY:** Our current needs for the Food Pantry are: instant potatoes, canned chili or stew, tuna, soups.



**FELLOWSHIP TIME:** We are in need of volunteers to do coffee hour. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board outside the copy room.

**OUTREACH:** For the month of April it will be One Great Hour of Sharing. This is one of our six special Sundays.

## NOTES FROM THE MESSAGE

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## Schedule of Events

### Sunday, April 1 Palm Sunday

10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

### Monday, April 2

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Church Office Open

### Tuesday, April 3

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Church Office Open  
5:45 p.m. SPRC

### Wednesday April 4

9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m. Church Office Open  
6:00 p.m.-Choir

### Thursday, April 5

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Church Office Open  
7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday, Fellowship Hall

8:30 p.m. Prayer Vigil ends at 11:30 a.m. on Friday April 6

### Friday, April 6

11:30 p.m. Good Friday Service

### Sunday, April 8 Easter

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

## Coming Up

### Workday at SUMC

May 5th from 8:30 A.M. to Noon



### Rummage Sale set-up

May 15 & 16 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

### Rummage Sale

May 17th 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.



## Happenings



## Holy Week

### Passion/Palm Sunday April 1

Passion Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week and concludes on Easter. Waving palm branches is a symbol of victory over one's enemies. May our palm speak of the victory we have through Christ the King.

### Maundy Thursday Service April 5 at 7:00 P.M.

Maundy Thursday, also known as Holy Thursday, is the day Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper. This is a **candle-light communion service**. This service is held in the Fellowship Hall. **Please use the sign-up sheet (on a table at the entrance) to indicate your attendance.** As much as you can, please come to this service in silence and leave in silence.

### Prayer Vigil-April 5 at 8:30 P.M. to April 6 at 11:30 A.M.

The night before his crucifixion, Jesus told his disciples to watch and pray. He himself spent his last night in prayer. The prayer vigil starts immediately following the Maundy Thursday service and continues until Friday at 11:30 A.M..

### Good Friday—April 6 at 11:30 A.M.

This service begins immediately following the prayer vigil. How do we observe the most tragic event of human history, the crucifixion? We do it with a very special service, a service of Scripture readings, songs, and sacrament. There is no preaching. We gather to listen to the story, meditate on the passion of our Lord, offer our thanksgiving, and pledge our faith to the one who died for us. *Love so amazing so divine demands my soul, my life, my all.*

*A BLESSED EASTER TO  
YOU AND YOURS*