The Lord's Day Sunday, February 19, 2023 Sandy Creek United Wesleyan Church Reverend Brian Snyder: 315-387-3199 6224 N. Main St., P.O. Box 298 Sandy Creek, NY 13145 www.sandycreekunitedwesleyan.com

Today's Prayer

Jesus, your journey to the cross was full of betrayal, grief, torture and darkness, yet your love for us, your people, propelled you onward. Help us to comprehend just how powerful that love is, that you would suffer such a cruel death to make a way for us to be with you in glory forever. What a gift.

In Jesus' Name, Amen

The Morning's Message

By: Pastor Terry Nichols — How Is Your Heart? 1 Samuel 16:7, 15:23, Jeremiah 17:19, Ezekiel 36:26

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR

Judy Butman • Beverly Snyder • Rick Pollic George Steven • Robert Gibbs • Helen Potter Mark Freeden • Laura Paddock • Patricia Myers Bonnie VanDyke • Carl Steele.• Doris Bates • Randy Norm Kepner • Chris Hull • Shaun Hull • Adam Gondek

MISSIONARIES:

Mozambique: Rev. Jim Pickett

ALL MILITARY SERVICE PERSONNEL

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, February 26, 2023

<u>Greeters:</u> Bill Butman / Cyrena McWilliams <u>Security:</u> Tim Redden / Lyle Robbins / Steve Berkman Today, February 19, 4:30 PM: Youth Group

Today, February 19, 6:00 PM: Emotionally Spirituality Relationship, first class starts tonight.

Monday, February 13, 6:30 PM: Ladies Bible Study

Tuesday, February 14, 9:00 AM: Men's Bible Study

Wednesday, February 15, 6:00 PM: Men's Bible Study

Saturday, February 25, 1-4 PM: Barn Paint Class (Fundraiser) at our Church, \$55 (\$10 goes to our Church). More info. on bulletin board

Sunday, February 26, 10:00 AM: John and Tanya James will be visiting our Church and sharing their message.

Saturday, March 4, 10-1 PM: Shamrock Paint Class (Fundraiser) at our Church, \$40 (\$10 goes to our Church). Refreshments



The Lenten Season

Lent is the 40 days between Ash Wednesday and Easter. This is a time that is used for reflection, repentance and spiritual growth. Forty days are observed to represent the 40 days that Jesus spent in the desert where he fasted and was tempted by the devil. We focus

our hearts and minds on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ and what Jesus' sacrifice means for our salvation.

<u>Holy Week</u> begins with Palm Sunday and the arrival of Jesus in Jerusalem.

<u>Maundy Thursday</u> is the day before Good Friday. It commemorates the night before Jesus died, when He shared the Passover meal with His closest friends and followers.

<u>Good Friday</u> is the day Christians remember Jesus' death. The "Good" reflects how Jesus' death was a sacrifice on our behalf so we can receive God's forgiveness for our wrongs, or sins.

<u>Easter Sunday</u> is the joyful celebration of Jesus rising from the dead to give us the opportunity of eternal life. While people still die, Jesus made the way for people to have a relationship with God in this life and to spend eternity with Him in Heaven.

Doing something good for others is a way to respond to God's grace, generosity and love.

Prayer during Lent focuses on our need for God's forgiveness. It's also about repenting (turning away from our sins) and receiving God's mercy and love.



