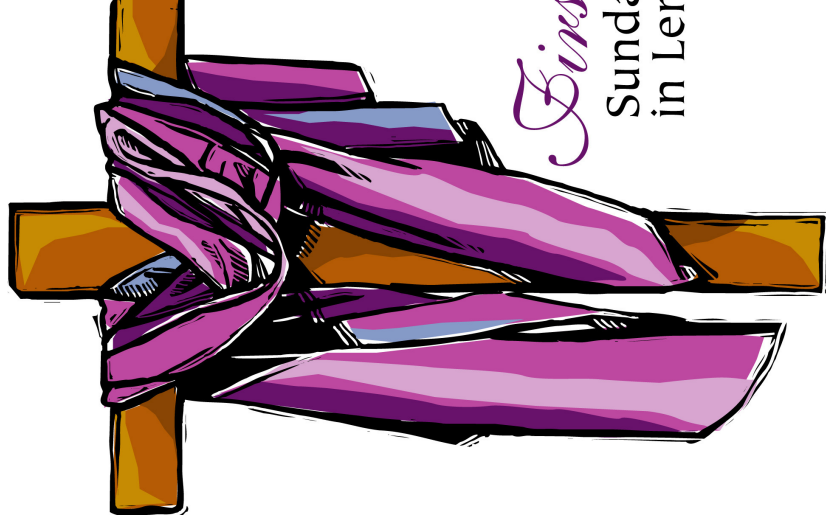


## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

March 2009						
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Today	8:00 a.m.	Prayer Group
	8:15 a.m.	Worship and Communion
	9:15 a.m.	Prayer Group
	9:25 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee & Donuts
	10:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	5:00 p.m.	Youth Handbells
	6:00 p.m.	Jr./Sr. High UMYF
	6:30 p.m.	Grace Night Out
Mon., March 2	7:00 p.m.	Worship/Altar Guild
Tues., March 3	9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
	9:30 a.m.	Exercise
	11:30 a.m.	Added Grace
	4:45 p.m.	Master Teacher Tutoring
	6:30 p.m.	Christian Education Team
	7:00 p.m.	Communication Committee, Cultural Event, UMW Board Meeting
Wed., March 4	10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	TOPS, Vesper Handbell Choir
	6:30 p.m.	Mid-Week
	7:00 p.m.	Altar Choir
Thurs., March 5	9:30 a.m.	Exercise
	6:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Christian Believer, Men's Bible Study, GUMBY
Fri., March 6	9:00 a.m.	Caring & Calling
Sat., March 7	8:00 a.m.	UMM Lenten Breakfast - Shiloh UMC
	10:30 a.m.	Leave for Bishop's Rally - Noblesville
	5:30 p.m.	Kokomo Handbell Festival Celebration

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK



*First*  
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United Methodist Church is a Christ-centered fellowship called to offer the best we can possibly give to God, as we care for our community and world through...

...worshipping, glorifying, and honoring God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

...inviting all to grow in the knowledge of the Lord.

...living a Spirit-filled life through our actions and words.

...offering the love of Christ to everyone.

*If you are in need of a pastor outside office hours the week of March 1-March 7 please call Pastor Steve Beutler at 765-455-0515 or 765-432-1088.*

**WELCOME** to worship at Grace United Methodist Church. We are happy that you are worshipping with us today and invite you to become a part of our fellowship. This is a holy place for worship, prayer, and celebration of what Jesus Christ is doing in our lives.

**CHILDREN** are always welcome in our worship services. Ask an usher for a special children's activity worksheet. First-time guests under age 12 are invited to inquire at the Welcome Center for a special gift. As a courtesy to parents, childcare (nursery thru 4 years) is available across from the sanctuary in Rooms 201 & 203.

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**, for children preschool through Grade 2, is a time for worshipping the Lord in a more relaxed and interactive manner. We ask that parents please come and pick up your child(ren) from the Multi-Purpose Room at the conclusion of the service. There is no Children's Church the first Sunday of each month.

**WORSHIPERS WHO ARE HEARING-IMPAIRED**, are encouraged to ask an usher for an individual sound receiver to assist in hearing the worship service.

**WORSHIPERS WHO ARE VISUALLY IMPAIRED**, are welcome to ask an usher for a large print worship bulletin.

**COFFEE AND DONUTS** is a social time offered following our 9:25 worship service. We invite everyone to go to the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and conversation.

**PLEASE PASS THE RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP PADS**— Guests and members are requested to fill out the attendance pads found in the pews. Please take time to read the names as the pads are passed back so you may become familiar with the names of those around you.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



Kokomo Urban Outreach has a great need for food and paper items. Here is a list of needed items needed weekly by our local Missionary, Jeff Newton:  
Canned vegetables, canned pasta meals, canned fruit, canned meats (tuna and chicken), meal in a can (Beef Stew, chicken and dumplings), soup and crackers, peanut butter, spaghetti and spaghetti sauce, macaroni and cheese, cereal, boxed potatoes, pasta sides, baked beans, toilet paper, Kleenex, paper towels, dish detergent, laundry detergent, tooth paste and empty water bottles for detergent.

Wow, the need is great! Kokomo Urban Outreach is seeing many more people come to their food pantry in need of basic items. The tough economic times are hitting the community Jeff Newton serves. Grace Church can help to meet some of those needs. The Mission Ministry Team helps out KUO, CAM and The Kokomo Rescue Mission by weekly collecting needed items in the yellow bags. However, if you can help a little extra at this time, please drop these items off at Kokomo Urban Outreach at Trinity UMC or bring them to the parlor area where we will distribute them promptly.

You may call Deanna Ancil at 457-1983 or 434-5057, if you have any further questions. She is helping coordinate this effort for Kokomo Urban Outreach.

**COFFEE AND DONUTS** - We need your help! Do you like to serve others? How about coming down to the Fellowship Hall and sign up to serve coffee on Sunday mornings during the fellowship time! We have a sign-up sheet located on the coffee/donut table in the Fellowship Hall. Mel Hobbs has graciously offered to make the coffee and cut the donuts before the worship services. You would be responsible to pour the coffee/lemonade and clean up afterwards. All people with gifts of service and/or hospitality – this is the place for you!

**BIRDS ARE BACK!** A breaking news release just informed us that flamingos will be flocking back to Kokomo and the surrounding areas. They will be flocking to people's yards and will not be able to move until their "keepers" are notified. Be on the look out for information coming in order to protect yourself. The flamingos will begin flocking on April 1st and end their flocking on April 30th. Watch out!! Sign-ups will begin March 8th in Fellowship Hall after Sunday service.

**PLEASE JOIN THE PRAYER PARTNERS** from Grace, St. Luke, and Main street UM Churches for A Concert of Prayer for our Police and Fire Personnel on Tues., March 10 at 6:00 p.m. at Main St. United Methodist Church.

**VALENTINE COOKIE SALE** - We appreciate the congregation being so generous for the Valentine Cookie Sale. We raised \$270.00 for the youth fund. Thanks for always supporting us. We really appreciate it. Junior & Senior High Youth Groups

**ADDED GRACE** will meet in Fellowship Hall on March 3, 2009 and our hosts will be John and Diane Auzins. Our speakers will be Kelly Karickhoff and Stew Lauterbach from the Howard County Historical Society. Their topic will be "Development and Implementation of a Program to Collect Items for the Museum". Please make your reservations with Peggy Hobbs on Sunday, February 22 or March 1, 2009 or by telephone at 452-4394.

**JOIN US TONIGHT** for another night of "Grace Night Out". It begins at 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. This is a study for the whole family. The Graceful Arts program will teach the children about communion as they do crafts, play games and sing songs. Also plan on attending the Special Seder Meal on Sat., April 4. Sign up at the Church Office or call 457-5329. Join us at this Great Event!

**LENTEN BREAKFAST SERIES** - "IN MISSION WITH CHRIST" will be held Sat., March 7 at Shiloh United Methodist Church. Guest speaker will be Teresa Rogers. Breakfast will be at 8:00 a.m. and a freewill offering will be taken with the proceeds to be divided equally among CAM, Crisis Center, KUO, Rescue Mission, Salvation Army, and Samaritan Care Givers. Please make reservations by 4:00 pm Thursday, prior to the Saturday breakfast by calling Shiloh UMC at 457-3140.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS TO START IN MARCH** with the Bishop's Confirmation Rally on Saturday March 7. We will leave at 10:30 AM. The class, for all youth who have not been confirmed, will meet during the Sunday School hour starting March 8 through May 20. See Pastor Chris for more information.