

Announcements

1. LENTEN POTLUCK DOLLAR DINNERS- Our first of weekly Lenten Potluck Dollar Dinners starts **this Wednesday** at 6pm. We invite everyone to join us for a time of fellowship as we journey towards Easter. The main dish and beverages will be provided. We ask everyone to bring a side dish or a dessert to share, a \$1 offering per person, and if possible, your own table service. No time to cook? Come anyway - there is always plenty to eat! A sign-up sheet is on the narthex bulletin board. This week's theme is Italian. All are welcome, so feel free to reach out to neighbors, friends, and family. Please remember to sign up ahead of time for efficient set up and so we know how much food to prepare. There will be a bible study with Pastor Sang immediately afterwards for those interested.

2. GREAT AGERS- Great Agers will meet on Friday, **March 14th** to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with corned beef and all the fixings. Bring a dish to share and your own table service. Plan to arrive between 11:30 am and noon. Lunch will be at noon. Please remember to sign up in the narthex if you plan to attend.

3. EASTER FLOWERS- Please consider ordering flowers to help beautify our sanctuary this Easter. The plants may be picked after Easter Sunday worship service for you and your family to enjoy. Order forms are in the narthex and must be returned by Sunday, **March 16th**.

4. FOOD DRIVE FOR MARCH- In our ongoing efforts to support the local food pantry, we want to collect items according to their needs. The focus for the month of March is condiments- salt, pepper, ketchup, mustard, hot sauce and mayonnaise. Please leave your donations in the box inside the front door. Thank you for your support!

5. DORCAS CIRCLE- Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, **March 19th** at 1pm in the Fellowship Hall. Join us for some light refreshments, grace, and fellowship!

6. CHURCH DIRECTORY- It time for a new directory, only this time, we are including photos. We have a photo area set up in the narthex for those who wish to have your photo taken by Heesung after service today. You can also submit your own photo to info@bfvumc.org. The directory form is available in the narthex. **We ask that everyone fill out the form** to ensure our records are up to date and that we have updated permissions to include your information in the directory. Please submit all forms and photos by **March 31st** so that the new directory can be completed by Easter Sunday.

7. BIBLE STUDY BOOKS- For those participating in Lenten bible study and requested a copy of *The Walk*, please stop in the office to submit payment & pick up your copy. Please read Chapter 1 before our first bible study session this Wednesday after the Lenten Potluck.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult Small Group: Loyal Leaders class (10:15am)
Children's Church (9:20 am)

MUSIC MINISTRY

Music Director John Kwon / yoahn4piano@gmail.com
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This Week at Bethany

SUN MAR 9	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Online	9:00 am
	Loyal Leaders		10:15 am
MON MAR 10	Trustees Meeting	BFVUMC	6:30 pm
TUE MAR 11	Ad Council Meeting	BFVUMC	7:00 pm
	Bell Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary	6:30 pm
WED MAR 12	Events Committee Meeting	Narthex	10:00 am
	Lenten Potluck Dollar Dinner	F.H.	6:00 pm
	Lenten Bible Study		7:15 pm
FRI MAR 14	Great Agers Luncheon	F.H.	12:00 pm

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WALK WITH ME: THE RAINBOW



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1st Sunday of Lent

* Indicates that worshippers are to stand if able.
Congregational responses are in bold print.

Worship Leader: Aaron Lewis

ENTRANCE & PRAISE

Prelude **“Prelude in B Minor”** John Kwon
(J.S. Bach)

Greetings Rev. Sang Hun Han

Announcements Aaron Lewis

*Opening Hymn **“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”** UMH #359

**1. Alas! and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die?
Would he devote that sacred head for sinners such as I?**

****Refrain: At the cross, at the cross, where I first saw the light,
and the burden of my heart rolled away; it was there by faith
I received my sight, and now I am happy all the day.**

**2. Was it for crimes that I have done, he groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity! Grace unknown! And love beyond degree! ****

**3. Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut its glories in,
when God, the mighty maker, died for his own creature's sin. ****

**4. Thus might I hide my blushing face while his dear cross appears;
dissolve my heart in thankfulness, and melt mine eyes to tears. ****

*Call to Worship

“Come walk with me!” the Savior calls.

Out of the darkness and into the light, we come.

“Come walk with me,” the Savior bids.

**And one by one we come. White hair and black hair, red,
brown, blue and green. Builders and bloomers, Generation
X, Y, and Z.**

“Come walk with me,” the Savior invites.

**To laugh, to cry, to dance, to mourn, to eat, to drink, to sing,
to party, to live, we come.**

“Come Walk with me,” the Savior summons.

**We come, gathered into One – to the cross, to the tomb, to
the garden, to the seashore, to the world, no longer
strangers, but friends. Amen.**

Passing Peace of Christ **“O How He Loves...”** TFWS #2108

*O how he loves you and me! O how he loves you and me!
He gave his life. What more could he give? O how he loves you;
O how he loves me; O how he loves you and me!*

Children's Message: Debbie Fisher

Children's Church: Debbie Fisher & Joni Javier

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (Screen)

Contemplation Hymn **“Come and Find the Quiet Center”** TFWS #2128

**1. Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead, find
the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed:
Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes that we can see
all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.**

**2. Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace,
God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, touches base,
making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun,
raising courage when we're shrinking, finding scope for faith begun.**

**3. In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain, let our loves and
fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain: There's a place for deepest
dreaming, there's a time for heart to care, in the Spirit's lively scheming
there is always room to spare.**

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

*Scripture Reading **Genesis 9:8-15** Aaron Lewis

⁸ Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him: ⁹ “I now establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you ¹⁰ and with every living creature that was with you—the birds, the livestock and all the wild animals, all those that came out of the ark with you—every living creature on earth. ¹¹ I establish my covenant with you: Never again will all life be destroyed by the waters of a flood; never again will there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹² And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all generations to come: ¹³ I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴ Whenever I bring clouds over the earth and the rainbow appears in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind. Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life.

This is the Word of Life for all the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Offering Our Gifts to God's Service

Offertory Anthem **“Are You Washed in the Blood”** John Kwon
(E.A. Hoffman)

*Doxology **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”** #UMH 95
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures
here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Gracious God, help us remember that all belongs to you. Take
these offerings and use them for your glory. Take our lives, and
use us, always and everywhere, for your glory. In Christ's name.
Amen.**

You may give your offering at www.bfvumc.org/online-giving
or mail it to:

Bethany of Fox Valley UMC
2200 Ridge Ave. Aurora, IL. 60504

Message: **“Walk with Me: The Rainbow”** Rev. Sang Hun Han

Closing Hymn: **“Walk with Me”** TFWS #2242

****Refrain: Walk with me, I will walk with you and build the land that
God has planned where love shines through.**

**1. When Moses heard the call of God he said, "Lord, don't send me."
But God told Moses, "You're the one" to set my people free. ****

**2. Now Peter was a most unlikely man to lead the flock; but Jesus
knew his holiness and he became the Rock. ****

**4. And when you share your faith with me and work for life made new,
the witness of your faithfulness calls me to walk with you. ****

SENDING FORTH

*Benediction Rev. Sang Hun Han

*Postlude **“Were You There?”** John Kwon
(African American spiritual)

*We are glad that you joined us this morning in worship.
We hope that you find strength, renewal, and a sense of peace
going through the coming week.*

SAINTS IN ACTION

Worship Leader: **Aaron Lewis**

Ushers: **Charles Bibbs & David Han**

PowerPoint Preparer: **Jacquee Lawrence**

Children's Message: **Debbie Fisher**

Children's Church: **Debbie Fisher & Joni Javier**

Greeters: **Lynn Coughlin & Lisa Vydra**

In-Person Slide Operator: **Jacquee Lawrence**

Online Worship Service: **Dorothea Rynearson**

	2/9	2/16	2/23	3/2
IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE	37	42	52	46
ON-LINE ATTENDANCE	-	-	1	-
WEEKLY OFFERING	\$5,265	\$15,794	\$6,403	\$5,826