



Faith United Church of Christ

MARCH 2019

SUNDAY

Fellowship

10:30 am

Join us for coffee and refreshments in the Fellowship Hall

WORSHIP

SERVICE

11:00 am



“So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ”

Romans 10 : 17

In this [Bible](#) story from the book of Job, there is a wealthy man named Job residing in an area called Uz with his extended family and vast flocks. He is “blameless” and “upright,” constantly mindful to live in a righteous manner ([Job 1:1](#)). God brags to Satan about Job’s virtue, but Satan contends that Job is only righteous because God has favored him generously. Satan dares God that, if given the approval to inflict suffering, Job will change and curse God. God permits Satan to abuse Job to experiment with this brazen claim, but he forbids Satan to take

Job’s life in the manner.

Over the time of one day, Job is given four reports, each informing him that his sheep, servants, and ten children have all died due to thieving intruders or natural disasters. Job rips his clothes and shaves his head in sorrow, yet he still praises God in his prayers. Satan arrives in heaven again, and God allows him another opportunity to test Job. This time, Job is distressed with terrible skin sores. His wife urges him to denounce God and to give up and die, but Job protests, trying to endure his afflictions.

Three of Job’s companions, Eliphaz, Bildad, and Zophar, arrive to comfort him, sitting with Job in silence for seven days out of reverence for his grieving. On the seventh day, Job talks, starting a discussion in which each of the four men shares his reflections on Job’s troubles in poetic descriptions.

Job damns the day he was born, relating life and death to light and darkness. He hopes that his birth had been obscured in darkness and desires to have never been born, believing that life only increases his suffering. Eliphaz replies that Job, who has comforted other people, now reveals that he never actually knew their pain.

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Eliphaz concludes that Job's pain must be due to some sin Job has acted, and he recommends Job to seek God's favor.

Bildad and Zophar agree that Job must have performed evil to provoke God's justice and argue that he should attempt to manifest more innocent behavior.

Bildad supposes that Job's children brought their deaths upon themselves. Even worse, Zophar suggests that whatever wrongdoing Job has done he likely deserves more suffering than what he has experienced.

Job reacts to each of these remarks, becoming so angry that he calls his sympathizers "worthless physicians" who "whitewash [their help] with lies" ([Job 13:4](#)). He questions why God judges people by their deeds if God can just as easily change or forgive their behavior. It is confusing to Job how a human can truly satisfy God's justice as his ways are mysterious and exceeding human comprehension. Furthermore, humans cannot possibly convince God with their words. God cannot be fooled, and Job confesses that he does not even know himself well enough to adequately defend his case to God. Job desires for someone who can mediate between himself and God, or be sent to Sheol, the dark space of the dead.

Job believes that there is a "witness" or a "Redeemer" in heaven who will testify for his integrity ([Job 16:19](#), [Job 19:25](#)). The suffering shows too much for Job, and he turns bitter, anxious, and scared. He deplores the injustice that God lets evil people thrive while he and many other honest people suffer. Job wants to face God and protest, but cannot physically find God. He assumes that wisdom is concealed from humans, but he decides to persevere in seeking wisdom by fearing God and evading evil.

God eventually intervenes, commanding Job to be brave and explains various detailed features of his creation. Overcome by the appearance of God, Job recognizes God's infinite power and accepts the constraints of his human understanding. This response pleases God, but he is upset with Eliphaz, Bildad, and Zophar for emitting lousy advice. Job reconciles on their behalf, and God forgives them. God then restores Job's health, granting him with twice as much property as before, new children, and a remarkably long life. In the end, Job never completely gave up hope or faith in God as inspiration to everyone enduring suffering of their own.

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MARCH 6 - ASH WEDNESDAY

MARCH 10 - DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS

MARCH 20 - FIRST DAY OF SPRING!

APRIL 14 - PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 18 - MAUNDAY THURSDAY

APRIL 19 - GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 21 - EASTER SUNDAY





*"I call on you, my God, for you
will answer me; turn your ear to
me and hear my prayer"*

Psalm 17 : 6

MARIANNE BALTROTSKY

TOM BAZAN

PATTY BLANK

JIM BOSTIAN

BILLY BOWSER

RILEY BRANNAN

TRISH BRANNAN

CLARKE BURELL

BILL CLEM

BRYAN DINKLE

BRENDA DINKLE-WRIGHT

MARION DOUGHERTY

JOHN DREISONSTOK

ROGER FARBER

NOAH FINDLEY

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JERRY GOEDERT JR

MICK HARLEY

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ROBERT KALASKI SR

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ANTHONY MAIN

MARY FRANCES MAIN

ROBERT MARSH

PEGGY MEEUWSEN

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To **ADD** or **REMOVE**
names to :

- Prayer List
- Newsletter Mailing
- Birthday/ Anniversary

Please contact Jennifer Stull

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Our In-Home Members

Margaret Sunday lives at home, visitors welcome - call first 301-304-0214.

Brenda Dinkle Wright lives at home, call to say hello - 301-663-8341.

Bob Warner lives at home, call to say hello - 301-473-8111



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MAR 6 - LOBERTA STALEY
MAR 10 - BOB HARTMAN
MAR 10 - RICK HOUCK
MAR 12 - DOUG SUNDAY
MAR 18 - BOB WARNER
MAR 21 - JEANNE WILSON
MAR 28 - KRISTI HOUCK GORDON



Thank you for all the donations for our food basket in the arcade! We continue to collect items

for the Thurmont Food Bank. Thank you to **Jim and Mary Frances Bostian** for delivering the donated food. All is needed and appreciated!

PAPER PRODUCTS - CANNED GOODS
BOXED DINNERS - CEREAL

Consistory News

The next Consistory Meeting is scheduled for March 13 at 7:00 pm.

At the Consistory Meeting on February 13, the following were elected officers:

Mary Catherine - President

Calvin Woodward—Vice president

Carole Houck - Secretary

At its Meeting on January 9, the Consistory approved the use of the Fellowship Hall by the Youth Group of the Grace Bible Church on the second, third, and fourth Sundays of each month from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Activities of the Youth Group are: 15 to 20 minutes of games, time of instruction, prayer, and fellowship. The Grace Bible Church meets on Sundays at the Monocacy Middle School. The Youth Group along with their adult advisors were meeting on Sunday evenings at the homes of parents but as the class increased in size the need for a bigger place to meet became evident. Faith UCC is happy to be able to offer its facilities so that this Youth Group can continue to meet and grow.

Thank You!

May the LORD now show you kindness and faithfulness, and I too will show you the same favor because you have done this. 2 Samuel 2:6

Thank you **Mel and Cindy Schall** for taking the time to look over our cordless mic for repair.

Thank you to **Bill Houck and Jim Bostian** for keeping even the important small things fixed to keep our church going!



GREETER

Donald Shook

ORGANIST /PIANO

Mary Frances Bostian

ACOLYTES

Kevin Sunday/Ashlee Sunday/Jim Bostian

USHERS

Bill Houck / Doug Sunday / Jennifer Stull

ALTAR GUILD

Jim & Mary Frances Bostian/Carole Houck

Weekly BULLETIN

Jennifer Stull

CHURCH TREASURERS

Jennifer Sunday / Shirley Bazan

Monthly NEWSLETTER & MAILING

Jennifer Stull

LABELS FOR HOFFMAN HOMES

Loberta Staley

HOMEWOOD Auxiliary Representative

Carole Houck / Loberta Staley

FELLOWSHIP MORNING

Jennifer Stull

CONSISTORY BOARD

Mary Catherine Martz, Carole Houck, Jim Bostian, Calvin Woodward, Jennifer Sunday, Jennifer Stull

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Carole Houck, Jim Bostian, Doug Sunday, William Houck

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Jim Bostian, Doug Sunday, Jennifer Stull



***A LITTLE TOUCH
OF SPRING***

By ERMA GROVE



*There's a magic in sweet violets
To make the spirits sing,
These tiny, fragile flowers add
A little touch of spring.*

*The heart-shaped leaves all speak of love,
And what delight they bring;
They fascinate all ages with
A little touch of spring.*

*Soft velvet are blossoms small
With fragrance that will cling;
They make bouquets to cheer, and give
A little touch of spring.*

*They tell that winter days are gone,
That birds are on the wing;
In prelude to the summer blooms
A little touch of spring.*

*Come, gather violets today;
From worries take a fling,
Gain blessings sweet and comfort from
A little touch of spring.*



**TURN CLOCKS
AHEAD 1 HOUR ON
MARCH 10, 2019**

**This is the one we would
be late to church
if we forget!**



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Parables

R W J Z A Y S T A L E N T S X
T O I C M Q F G R Y L N P H P
E R R G O M Y P B C E R C E H
N K C S C I W J K A O A A A M
A E R N I P N A M D W R S L B
N R Q I H L G N I L L I K T A
T S X G X I O G C L M A D H H
S P Q R I L A O S D E E W O S
O E J I L L Q V F L J I Y F W
R E N V S I H H E H Y Q Z Y D
E H G O T P V I V Y C V G W O
W S N B P Y C S B I R I S J L
O D N A R R O W D O O R R M S
S K B U I L D E R S U F W J L
W F K Q D Q Z E C E N L C G F

BUILDERS

COIN

NARROW DOOR

PEARL

PRODIGAL SON

RICH FOOL

SHEEP

SOWER

TALENTS

TENANTS

VIRGINS

WEEDS

WIDOW

WORKERS

YEAST



The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering for 2019 will be received during the fourth Sunday of Lent, March 31. Offerings will continue to be received the following Sunday. Your donations to this special mission provide support to disasters world-wide. Last year, this support included responding to: Hurricanes in Puerto Rico, the US Virgin Islands, North Carolina, Texas, and Florida; fires in California; earthquakes in Mexico, Indonesia, and Haiti; flooding in El Salvador, Hawaii, and South India (just to name a few of the disasters). Special offering envelopes will be provided.

EASTER FLOWER ORDER FORM

ORDER DUE BY MARCH 17, 2019

Number		Total
<u>Ordered</u>	<u>(Circle Color(s) on Hyacinths, Tulips & Mums)</u>	<u>Price</u>
_____	Easter Lily (4-5 blooms)	(\$11.00 each) _____
_____	3 Bloom Hyacinths (pink, blue, white, purple, mix)	(\$10.00 each) _____
_____	6 Bulbs Tulip (red, yellow, pink, white, red/yellow)	(\$10.00 each) _____
_____	6 1/2" Garden Mum (lavender, yellow, white, mix)	(\$10.50 each) _____
_____	Hybrid Stargazer Lily (pink)	(\$13.00 each) _____
_____	4" Mini Daffodils	(\$8.50 each) _____
_____	8" Daffodils	(\$11.50 each) _____

Checks are to be payable to : *Faith United Church of Christ.*

Please include payment with order form and return it to :

Mary Catherine Martz (301-662-7854) or Mary Frances Bostian (301-271-7573)
OR MAIL to: Faith United Church of Christ, 9333 Opossumtown Pike, Frederick, MD 21702
by **MARCH 17.**

YOUR NAME: _____ PHONE (_____) _____ - _____

Please circle one : In Memory Of or In Tribute To

