



THE HIGHLIGHTER

First United Methodist Church

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Office Hours

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This Week...

Mon., Feb. 20
6:00pm Esther Circle

Wed., Feb. 22
Noon Second Fifty
4:30pm Wesley Choir
5:30pm Carillon Bells
7:00pm Ashe Wednesday
Worship Service

Thurs., Feb. 23
6:15pm Heritage
6:15pm Bond Bells
7:15pm Chancel Choir

Save the date...

Wednesday, February 22nd
Ash Wednesday
7:00pm service

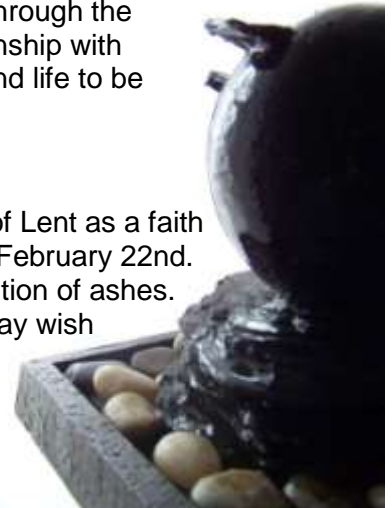
Sunday, February 26th
Fine Arts at First
5th House Ensemble
3:00pm

How Is Your Prayer Life?

No, I mean really...how is your prayer life? Is it full and rich? Is it nearly non-existent? Are they just words that go nowhere or is God really there and active on the other end? During the season of Lent we will focus on various types and expressions of prayer. There will be a study of Marjorie Suchocki's book, *In God's Presence*, which presents a theology of prayer and offers various ways to engage in it. The worship services will center around prayer as it is found in the scripture readings. We will also try different forms and styles of prayer in the services. As we journey through the Lenten season together, we will work to deepen our relationship with God. Come to worship expecting great things to happen and life to be changed!

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of our celebration of Lent as a faith community. We will have a worship service at 7:00 pm on February 22nd. The service will include music, the spoken word and imposition of ashes. People often choose to give something up for Lent. You may wish to do this, but I would also invite you to take up something new for Lent. It may be some type of service to others or some other ways of recognizing God's working in your life. May we together observe a holy Lent.



February/March						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
19 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday school 10:30am Worship Noon Confirmation Youth event TBD	20 6:00pm Esther Circle @ Birchwood Grill	21 Highlighter Deadline	22 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Worship Service	23 6:15pm Heritage 6:15pm Bond Bells 7:15pm Chancel Choir	24 Youth Fun Night	25
26 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday school 10:30am Worship Noon Confirmation 3:00pm 5 th House Concert	27	28 Highlighter Deadline	29 4:30pm Wesley Choir 5:30pm Carillon Bells 6:30pm Praise Band	1 9:30am UMW Board Meeting with General meeting to follow 6:15pm Heritage 6:15pm Bond Bells 7:15pm Chancel Choir	2	3
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Pastoral Care Ministry

Thank you to everyone who donated stuffed teddy bears. We had a good response to our drive. Judith Christopher will be delivering them through the up coming months.

Second Fifty

"Second Fifty" invites you to a day of good food and fun at the Fireside Dinner Theater. Laugh and tap your feet to the music of Dolly Parton in the Musical "9 to 5." The date is March 21st and the cost is \$80.00. Call the church office or Pastor Ned, 697-2776, for reservations.

Volunteer for Hospice Alliance, Inc.

Please consider volunteering for Hospice Alliance, Inc. Hospice Alliance volunteers are a vital part of the hospice team. While enhancing the lives of patients and their families, volunteers gain satisfaction and enrichment in their own lives. There are many ways to help, including companionship, respite care, running errands, nursing home visits, mailings, office help, computer work, expos and health fairs, fundraising, gardening, preparing meals/baking. A new series of 8 session training class begin February 21 through March 15, 2012. Sessions are held Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Hospice Alliance office. The training covers an introduction to hospice services, communication, disease process, and the role of Hospice Alliance team members. If you are interested in this opportunity, or would like further information, please contact Volunteer Coordinators: Helen Plous by email at helenplous@hospicealliance.net or Kim Kochendorfer by email at KKochendorfer@hospicealliance.net or by calling (262) 652-4400 or (800) 830-8344.

Pre-registration is necessary.

Go to
www.hospicealliance.net
 and read *Fern's Story* –
 Kathy Dickow's
 testimonial to her dear
 mother and the
 compassionate care Fern
 received from the
 Hospice Alliance team.

Ask at the Welcome Desk About

- Upper Room Devotionals
- Equal Exchange Coffee, teas, and cocoa
- Pick-n-Save grocery receipt collection
- Campbell Soup UPC code collection
- General Mills Box Top collection
- Church Directories and information
- Back issues of the highlighter
- Sponsoring a Sunday Bulletin
- Helping Hands Ministries
- Endowment Information

Hospitality Team February 26, 2012

Worship Assistant (8:00)
Edna Highland

Worship Assistant (10:30)
Shirley Edwards

Greeters/Ushers (8:00)
Paul and Bonnie Johnson,
Carol Novak

Ushers (10:30)
Marty and Jennifer Matera,
Paul Huck, Cliff Metaxa

Greeters (10:30)
Shirley Edwards, Carol
Gammon, Phyllis
Northway

Welcome Desk
June Pitcher, Sally Huck



Presented by Fine Arts at First, David Schripsema Director

5HE is defined by its limitless imagination and energy and an insatiable desire to bring chamber music to audiences of all types. 5HE harnesses the collaborative spirit of chamber music to create transformative cross-media performance experiences that bring together elements as diverse as storytelling, physical theatre, graphic novels, and fashion design. With humor and joy, 5HE breathes life into repertoire both established and emerging.

**Sunday,
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3:00pm**

**DON'T MISS
THIS CONCERT!**