

*\*Please stand, as able*

**For your prayer concerns, please use the forms inserted in your bulletin. The ushers will collect them during the first hymn to be included in our morning prayer.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE** Hymns of Faith  
(A time to silently prepare for a closer experience of God.)

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: When God promises to enter into a covenant relationship with us, the promise is kept.

**People: We claim that relationship again this morning.**

Leader: Doing so, living into that relationship, is our expression of faith.

**People: We commit ourselves to remain faithful in all we do and say.**

**\*HYMN #67** *"We, Thy People, Praise Thee"*

## MORNING PRAYER

**Holy God, you call to us. You offer us meaningful lives, unconditional love, and never failing direction. Sometimes we heed your call, sometimes we do not. Forgive us when we stray and strengthen us when we follow your way. Lead us to always do your will on earth, no matter what anyone else is doing or not doing.**

**May we, as a community of faith, and as individuals, be fearless in our witness to your voice. May we, with you guiding us, speak peace to war, love to hate, inclusion to exclusion, forgiveness to revenge. In all things lead us to be your people, led by your voice.**

**In that faithfulness, we offer our prayers for the people of the world and for each other. Hear us now as we pray;**

*(As concerns are shared our response will be, "Hear us loving God.")*

**We ask these things in the name of Jesus who taught his disciples to pray: Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen**

## TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

**ANTHEM** *"You'll Never Walk Alone"* Rodgers

**SCRIPTURE:** Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17

**SERMON** Judy Lang

## PRAYER

**HYMN #374** *"Standing on the Promises"*

**OFFERING** *"Song of Tears"* Jenkins

### \*DOXOLOGY

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**\*HYMN #395** *"Take Time to Be Holy"*

### \*BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** *"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"* Larson

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*Please join us in Bennett Hall for fellowship and refreshment following our worship service.*

**Welcome to Jesse Lee Church:**  
Find hope, joy, peace and the love of God here.

**We welcome back Judy Lang, who is a Certified Lay Minister, and will be leading our service today.**

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**Acolyte: Brian Sideleau**  
**Scripture Reader: Patty Gelineau**  
**Ushers: Joe and Sue Stonoha**

**Flowers on the Altar are given to The GLORY OF GOD by Jesse Lee United Methodist Church.**

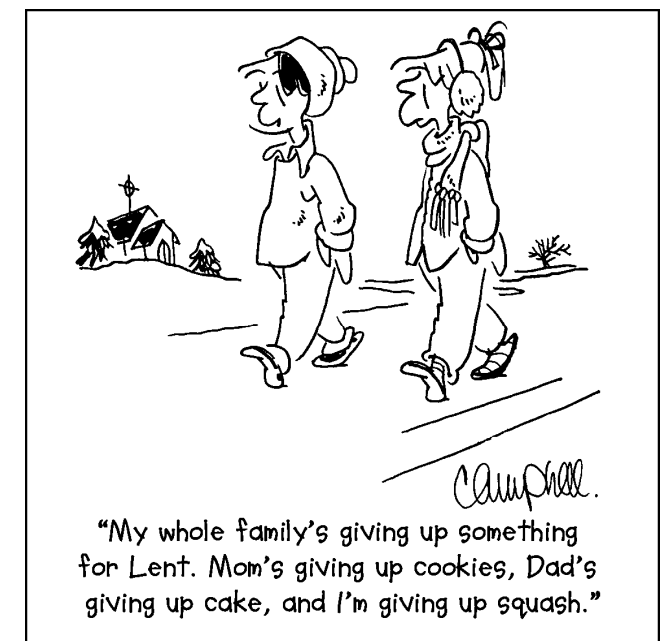
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## LOOKING AHEAD:

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**The Easton Senior Center** (650 Morehouse Rd.) is holding a progressive tag sale until April 1. New and used items, along with gently used clothing. New items are available weekly. Hours: 8am to 3pm daily.

**March 15** - There will be a St. Patrick's Day luncheon during coffee hour on Sunday, March 15. More details will be coming.



## **THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES**

### **Today:**

8:45am Choir Practice  
10:00am Worship Service  
11:00am Fellowship in Bennett Hall

### **Monday**

9:15am Essentrics Exercise

### **Wednesday**

9:15a, Essemtrics Exercise

### **Friday**

9:15am Essentrics Exercise

### **Next Sunday:**

8:45am Choir Practice  
10:00am Worship Service  
11:00am Fellowship in Bennett Hall

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Attendance: March 1 - 41

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CIRCUIT WRITER: Items for the newsletter should be sent to Suzanne Herlihy (suzanneherlihy@gmail.com).

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INFORMATION FOR BULLETIN: Items for the weekly bulletin should be sent to Lois by **TUESDAY morning**: jesselee.umc@gmail.com **AND** lmhalzack@gmail.com

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**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:** Office open on **Wednesday & Thursday (8:30am-12:30pm)**. At other times please leave voice mail.

**PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS:** Rev. Stinson temporarily not in the office. He can be reached by email at [jstinson4242@aol.com](mailto:jstinson4242@aol.com) or 203-984-0141(cell)

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

Until further notice: Emergency pastoral calls should go to Joanne Kant as Lay Leader at:  
(203)767-0064 or (203)261-9160

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### **Rev. James Stinson – Pastor**

Joseph F. Swindon - Minister of Music  
Michelle Wendt - Church School Superintendent  
Lois Halzack - Administrative Assistant

Jesse Lee Church is the direct descendent of the oldest continuously operating Methodist Society of New England. Our church traces its origin to 1789 when Jesse Lee, A Methodist Circuit Rider (traveling preacher), was appointed to spread the Word of God to New England. The congregation has met in this warm colonial sanctuary since 1813.

The United Methodist Church is a Protestant Christian denomination of 10 million members in the USA and around the world. It is affiliated with Methodist Churches in 87 countries in the world. We confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and the historic Christian faith.

### **Our Vision**

Jesse Lee United Methodist Church seeks to be a compassionate congregation whose members, through word and deed, live the Great Commandment of Jesus Christ to "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength, and your neighbor as yourself."



*Jesse Lee United Methodist Church*  
*At Worship*  
*March 8, 2020*  
*10:00 A.M.*