

# CASCO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT

*Come Grow with Us!*

March 19th, 2017

*A Christ Centered Fellowship*

“A CARING COMMUNITY OF BELIEVERS FOR ALL AGES”

**“WE GATHER TO WORSHIP!”**

*\*If you are able, please stand.*

**PRELUDE**

**Jerry Post, Organist**

**LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES**

**GREETING AND NEWS OF THE LORD’S WORK** *Your presence and record of attendance is very important to us. Please Print your name and pass the Attendance Registration Pad to your neighbor. Visitors, may you always feel welcome as our “Special Guests!” If you will give us your full address, we would like to send you a small token of our appreciation for your worshipping with us this morning. May you always feel welcome to return!* **PRAYER REQUESTS-***Your joys and concerns are very important to us. Please feel free to share with the Pastor/Lay Leader before or during worship.*

**“BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION”**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**“Psalm 95:1-5”**

Liturgist: “O come, let us sing to the Lord;

**Laity: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!**

Liturgist: Let us come into God’s presence with thanksgiving;

**Laity: let us make a joyful noise with songs of praise!**

Liturgist: For the Lord is a great God, and a great Ruler above all gods,  
in whose hands are the depth of the earth  
and also the heights of the mountains.

**Laity: The sea belongs to God who made it, and the dry land, because God formed it.”**

**INTROIT**

**“Oh Happy Day”**

**Chancel Choir**

**INVOCATION**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

**“Freely, Freely”**

**No. 389**

**CHILDREN’S TIME**

**“Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” - Matthew 19:14** *(All 3-10 year olds who are present are invited following our “Children’s Time” to attend Church School in our “New Addition”.*

**ANTHEM**

**“Come On and Celebrate”**

**Chancel Choir**

**PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND LOVE OFFERINGS**

**Offertory**

*Doxology: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!*

*Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**“OUR MINISTRY OF CARING AND SHARING!”**

**FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER**

*(Please feel free to share your Joys and Concerns.)*

*Pastoral Prayer, Personal Meditation*

**“The Lord’s Prayer”**

*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 glory forever. Amen!*

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION**

**“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”**

**No. 140**

**SERMON READING**

**“Romans 5:1-11” (NRSV)**

**Pastor Don Graham**

**\*HYMN OF DEDICATION**

**“I’ll Fly Away”**

**No. 2282**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CLOSING CHORAL RESPONSE**

**“Let There Be Peace on Earth”**

**No. 431**

**POSTLUDE**

**We Respond to God’s Word and Depart from this Service to Do God’s will...**

**Children’s Church School:** All 3-10 year olds are invited to our educational wing for Sunday School immediately after our “Children’s Time” in Worship.

**Adult Bible Study:** ... following Sunday Worship at 11:15 a.m. in our Choir Room, which is located in the 2nd room on the right and on Wednesday at 10 a.m. in our Adult Classroom, 1<sup>st</sup> room on the left.

**Fellowship Time...** Please feel free to be our “GUEST” in Fellowship Hall following worship for our All Church Potluck. Let’s get better acquainted! May you always feel welcome.

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

### Church Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 9 am – 1 pm

<u>Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup></u>	9:15-9:45 am 10:00 am	Choir Practice Worship (Sanctuary) <i>Birthday &amp; Anniversary Recognition</i> <i>After Worship: All Church Potluck</i>
<u>Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup></u> <i>(Pastor Don's Day Off)</i>	10:00 am	Senior Exercise ( <i>Casco Twp Hall</i> )
<u>Tuesday, March 21<sup>st</sup></u> <i>Bulletin Items Due by 9 a.m.</i>	10:00 am 1:00-3:00 pm 7:00 pm	“Kumjoinus” Prayer Group Senior Cards/Games ( <i>Casco Twp Hall</i> ) Choir Practice
<u>Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup></u>	9-10:00 am 10:00 am 6:30 pm	Hand2Hand Backpack Packing Lenten Bible Study Lenten Vespers ( <i>Lily of the Valley</i> )
<u>Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup></u>	10:00 am 10:00 am 10:00 am 1:00 pm	H2H Delivers Food Fennville Ministerial Association Meeting (Immanuel Reformed) Senior Exercise ( <i>Casco Twp Hall</i> ) The JOY Group (Just Older Youth) ( <i>Village Market</i> )
<u>Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup></u>	8:30 am 9:30 am	Men’s Breakfast & Lenten Study Rte 66 Men’s Group ( <i>Greater Faith Community Church</i> )
<u>Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup></u>	9:15-9:45 am 10:00 am 11:15 am	Choir Practice Worship (Sanctuary) Adult Bible Study led by the Yankees

### THIS WEEK – 3/19

Altar Flowers: ---  
 Children’s Time: Volunteer Needed  
 North Greeters: Volunteer Needed  
 South Greeters: Volunteer Needed  
 Ushers: Whitey Marr, Bob Oden, Larry Yankee  
 Acolytes: Kaleb  
 Liturgist: Volunteer Needed  
 Coffee Fellowship: All Church Potluck  
 Counters: Mike, Joan, Blanche  
 Audio Tech: Guy Rayon  
 Computer Tech: Jason Pettet  
 Sunday School: Carolyn Thon

### IN HIS SERVICE

### NEXT WEEK – 3/26

Altar Flowers: ---  
 Children’s Time: Volunteer Needed  
 North Greeters: Volunteer Needed  
 South Greeters: Volunteer Needed  
 Ushers: Whitey Marr, Bob Oden, Larry Yankee  
 Acolytes: Laine and Gracie  
 Liturgist: Volunteer Needed  
 Coffee Fellowship: Brenda and Darla Johnson  
 Counters: Doug, Rachel, Nancy  
 Audio Tech: Guy Rayon  
 Computer Tech: Jason Pettet  
 Sunday School: Carolyn Thon

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### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

**Keep the following persons in your thoughts and prayers:** The family of Don Ridley, Dorothy King, Ron Winifrey, Mary Ann Schlack, The family of Eric Latchaw, David Reames, Helen Wallace, Jerry Jerrett, Mike Scott, Mike Carrier, Brent Carrier, Guy Rayon, Gene Latchaw, Barbara Latchaw, Randy Lacy, Clyde Wauchek, Jerry Morris, Bill Gildner, Joyce Havens, Carrie Murphy, Larry Marr, Angie Giesler, Marge Jerue, Don Spencer, Jerri Walters, Jim Liepe, Jackie Welton, Barbara Sutton, Diana Kark, Larry Brush, Larry Ridley, Arlene Laraway. **Our Service men and women:** Dana Vermilye, Jayare Erickson, Robert Ulmer. **Members & Friends who are shut-ins, or living in assisted living facilities, nursing homes, and health care facilities:** Roberta Alexander, Vern Long, Judy Oden, Ella Hogle, Irene Dukeschere, Lewis Mitchell.

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 United  
 Methodist  
 Church’s  
 Vision and  
 Mission  
 Statement-  
 “Building up  
 the Kingdom of  
 God... N.O.W.  
 through Nurture,  
 Outreach, and  
 Witness!”**

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