

MARY TAYLOR MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Whoever you are, wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here.

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Milford, Connecticut 06460

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The Resurrection of our Lord, Easter Day March 31, 2013

Order of Worship
8: 30 and 10:00 a.m.

(* Those who are able may stand. °°° Late arrivals will be seated.)

Please remember to mute or turn off cell phones and other electronic devices.

THE BELL TOLLS – *Welcoming us to worship God*

PRELUDE “Prelude and Fugue in C Minor” J.S. Bach

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

(Please keep our focus on the worship of God by sharing those items not published elsewhere.)

INTROIT “Easter Joy” The Bell Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 118

L: The Lord is Risen!

P: The Lord is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

L: The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

P: I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

L: I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

P: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

L: This is the day the Lord has made;

P: Let us rejoice and be glad in it! Alleluia!

*HYMN #302 (vss. 1-4) “Christ the Lord is Risen Today” Easter Hymn

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THE EASTER COLLECT (*seated, unison*) Hymnal #320

CHILDREN'S ANTHEM (10 a.m.) “Christ is Risen” The Praisemakers

THE EPISTLE I Corinthians 15:19-26 Bible p.1048

Reader: The Word of the Lord. ***People: Thanks be to God.***

HYMN #304 (*seated*) “Easter People, Raise Your Voices” Regent Square
(During verse 3 let the children come forward.)

ESPECIALLY FOR THE CHILDREN

*HYMN #317 (vss. 1-5) “O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing” O filii et filiae

*THE GOSPEL John 20:1-18 Bible p.988
Reader: The Gospel of the Lord. ***People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

THE SERMON “Now Comes the Good Part” Dr. Bodt

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH “The Apostles' Creed” Hymnal #881

PRAYERS OF PETITION AND INTERCESSION

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy, ***People: Hear our prayer.***

*THE PEACE

L: May the peace of the Lord be always with you. P: ***And also with you.***
(Greet one another with signs of Christ's peace.)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem: “The Stone is Rolled Away” V. Johnson
(The Adult Choir)

*Presentation: “The Day of Resurrection” Hymnal #303, vs. 3

***Now let the heavens be joyful! Let earth the song begin!
Let the round world keep triumph, and all that is therein!
Let all things seen and unseen their notes in gladness blend,
For Christ the Lord hath risen, our joy that hath no end.***

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(Here the pastor gives thanks to the Lord, concluding)

L: And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise God's name:

*HYMN #155 (vss. 1,2,5,6) “All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name” Diadem

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION (*all seated, spoken by the pastor*)

THE LORD'S PRAYER Hymnal # 895

*THE COMMUNION

(The United Methodist Church observes an open table: all are welcome to receive or refrain from receiving. We use grape juice and gluten-free bread so all may come. After the celebrants, ushers and choir commune, the ushers will direct you to one of four stations. Take the bread, dip in the cup, and eat. If you need to receive seated please notify an usher.)

*HYMNS DURING COMMUNION Numbers 307, 311, 308, 315, 319, 322, 306

UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN #310 "He Lives" Ackley
(Those desiring to sing the "Hallelujah" chorus with the choir, please come forward during the hymn.)

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE BELL TOLLS – *Sending us to walk with and witness for Jesus*

*CHORAL POSTLUDE "Hallelujah" from "Messiah" G.F. Handel
(Please stand if able and depart following the postlude).

THE WORSHIP IS ENDED: THE SERVICE BEGINS.

OUR GRATITUDE TO THESE WORSHIP LEADERS DURING LENT AND EASTER:

The Adult, Bell and Praisemakers choirs and the parents and spouses that support them; Lydia Smith (drums), Mark Dennis (trumpet) and our Director of Music Dr. Rick Riccardi;

Our Worship Committee chaired by Laura Perregaux and coordinator, lay liturgists; Noel Fino, altar servers; Beth O'Brien, flowers; Rich Perregaux, banners; Flo Berrien, greeters; Dennis Darak, ushers; Phoebe Repetsky, Communion Stewards; and the "Ambassadors" of our Membership and Evangelism Committee;

The Methodist Youth Fellowship and its adult leaders—Leigh Bak, Eric and Kate Georgelos, Shelly Lapadula, Stacy Mezaros and Rachel Merva—for today's dawn service;

Our Christian educators, notably Superintendent Sylvia Elliott and all the teachers, especially for last week's Easter egg hunt and triumphal procession; the Palm Sunday passion reciters (Tom Beyer, Sarah Brockett, Lorraine Carr, Olivia D'Andrea, Paul Downing, Anna Henry, Bill Katt and Joshua Paton); the Rev. Hal V.W. Vink for his Lenten study and Don Hastings, teacher of "Disciple 2;"

Good Friday hosts: Dawn Bettencourt, Vi Burke, Diana Cable, Eileen Doyle, Deb Dubien, Anna Henry, Dot and Bruce Long, Laura Perregaux, Rick and Stacey Riccardi, Rev. Hal and Jane Vink, Joan Zauner and Margery Zurko;

Our publicity team of Kelly O'Hara (Facebook and Shutterfly), Kat Bennette (web page and newspapers) and Ken Hawkins (sign and hymn boards). To anyone we inadvertently overlooked, our heartfelt thanks.

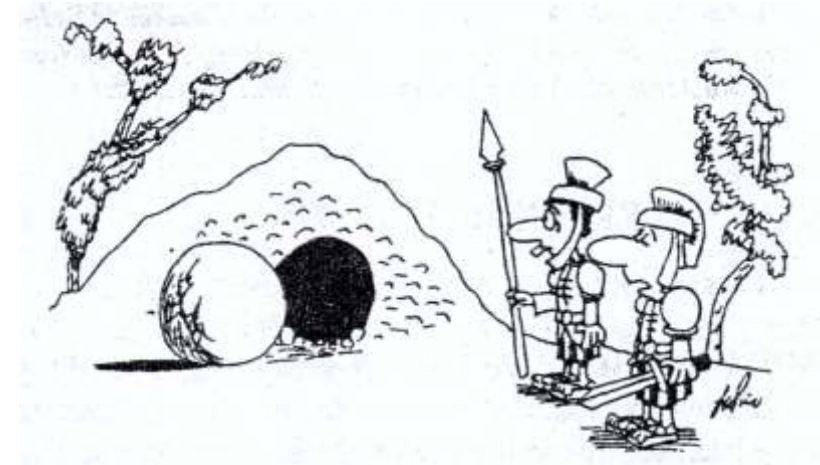
~Calendar at Mary Taylor Memorial~

Sunday, March 31 EASTER DAY	7:00 a.m. Sunrise service at Gulf Beach 7:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast – Dodd Hall 8:30 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary 10:00 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary
<i>No Fellowship Hour, Sunday School, Confirmation or MYF on Easter Day</i>	
Monday, April 1	7:00 p.m. Service of Healing and Wholeness – Dodd Hall
Tuesday, April 2	6:00 p.m. Confirmation – Wesley Center 7:00 p.m. Study of Job – Gunn Library, Wesley Center 7:00 p.m. Nominating Committee – Pastor’s study
Wed., April 3	10:00 a.m. Study of Job – Gunn Library, Wesley Center 5:00 – 5:30 p.m. “Praisemakers” choir rehearsal – Dodd Hall 6:30 p.m. Bell Choir rehearsal – Dodd Hall 7:45 p.m. Adult Choir rehearsal – Dodd Hall
Thursday, April 4	6:00 p.m. Missions Committee – Gunn Library, Wesley Center 7:00 p.m. Trustees – Egan Room, Wesley Center 8:00 p.m. Finance Committee – Gunn Library, Wesley Center
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Sunday, April 7 EASTER II	9:00 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages – Wesley Center 10:00 a.m. – Worship – Sanctuary 11:30 a.m. – New members class – Pastor’s study, Wesley Center 11:30 a.m. – “Fair on the Green” meeting – Wesley Center, 1 st fl. 1:00 p.m. – Girl Scout “God and Church” class – Egan Room 4:00 p.m. Confirmation – Wesley Center 5–8 p.m. MYF Progressive Dinner
Monday, April 8	7:00 p.m. Service of Healing and Wholeness – Dodd Hall
Tuesday, April 9	Noon United Methodist Women – Wesley Center, 1 st floor 6:00 p.m. Confirmation – Wesley Center 7:00 p.m. Disciple 2 – Dodd Hall 7:00 p.m. Study of Job – Gunn Library, Wesley Center
Wednesday, April 10	10:00 a.m. Study of Job – Gunn Library, Wesley Center 5:00 – 5:30 p.m. “Praisemakers” choir rehearsal – Dodd Hall 6:30 p.m. Bell Choir rehearsal – Dodd Hall 7:45 p.m. Adult Choir rehearsal – Dodd Hall
Thursday, April 11	7:00 p.m. Church Council – Dodd Hall alcove

Grace Notes
EASTER DAY - March 31, 2013

Dear Mary Taylor Memorial family,

The cartoon says it all:



“Well, I guess this leaves only taxes as being for certain.”

At Easter we rejoice that God has conquered death. If even death is suspect, then there is no limit to what God can do!

As Kent Miller declares, “Now comes the good part!”

As two thousand years of Christians have declared: “The Lord is Risen! He is risen indeed!” To God be praise and glory!

*Easter blessings,
Pastor Brian*

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Website: www.mtm-umc.org www.facebook.com/MTMUMC

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Ministers	All the People of God	Bishop	The Rev. Dr. Martin D. McLee
Lay Leaders	Kelly O’Hara & Leigh Bak	Superintendent	The Rev. Kenneth Kieffer
Prayer Chain	Stacy Meszaros	Pastor	The Rev. Dr. Brian R. Bodt
Child Care Coordinator	Betty Laferriere	Pastoral Assistant	The Rev. Harold V.W. Vink
Sexton	Bruce Rumford	Music Director	Dr. Richard L. Riccardi
	Interim Administrative Assistant	Mary Lou Kampert	

AT WORSHIP TODAY

8:30 a.m.

Head Usher – Dennis Darak **Greeters** – The Volgmuth Family
Cross Bearer – Sarah O'Brien **Acolytes** – Shannon Thompson and Kayleigh Patterson
Liturgist – Al Dubien **Bible Bearer** – Julianna Patterson
Communion Stewards: Lorraine Thorpe and Dawn Bettencourt

GREETING YOU AFTER WORSHIP is Rev. Bodt and Mr. Dubien in the Narthex.

10:00 a.m.

Head Usher – Dennis Darak **Greeters** – Brechin and Sandy Morgan
Cross Bearer – Callie Merva **Acolytes** – Ryan Lapadula
Liturgist – Laura Perregaux **Bible Bearer** – Anna Wessinger
Communion Stewards: Lorraine Thorpe and Maryanne Jordan

GREETING YOU AFTER WORSHIP is Rev. Bodt & Mrs. Perregaux in the Narthex.

COMMUNION CELEBRANTS

The Rev. Dr. Brian Bodt and Nicholas Bettencourt (8:30) and Trygve Lund (10)
The Rev. Harold V.W. Vink and Jane Vink
The Rev. Jani Darak-Druck and Lisa Darak
Kelly O'Hara, Co-Lay Leader and Al Dubien (8:30 am)/Laura Perregaux (10)

TO ASSIST YOU IN WORSHIP, see our ushers for:

- Large print Bibles, hymnals and bulletins
- Hearing Assist Devices
- Children's bulletins for ages 3 – 6 and 7 – 12

PLEASE OFFER PRAYER CONCERNS using the "Blue Sheets" in the attendance pads in each pew; or obtain one from an usher. Ushers will collect them on the opening hymn and our Lay Leaders speak them during the Prayer of Intercession and Petition. Please obtain others' permission to share their concerns. These prayers are included in our on-line prayer chain and Monday night Healing Service. Please also speak your concerns as invited during the prayer.

TODAY'S LITURGY is from Holy Scripture and The United Methodist Hymnal (1989).

INFORMATION ABOUT OUR CHURCH is available in the racks in back of the church.

GIVEN BY

Nancy, Kenny & Paige Szygiel

Hal & Jane Vink
Julie Weissinger

Bernie Wilhelm
Joan Zauner

GIVEN BY

The Cono Family

Paul, Beverly & Lillia Downing
Michael & Maureen Groves
Sarah Galloway

Winnie & Eveleen Jiang
Dorothy Law and
Susan Law Matthews
Stacy Meszaros
Sue, Tee & Erin O'Shea

Hal & Jane Vink
Marcia Winter

IN MEMORY OF

Milo and Robert Palmer
Bernard Szygiel
Mom
Grandma & Grandpa Wessinger
Grandma & Grandpa Orkney
Lucy Wilhelm
Loved Ones

IN HONOR OF

Bev & Jim Pierpont
Rev. Hal & Jane Vink
Lay Leaders Leigh Bak & Kelly O'Hara
Margery Zurko
Connie Micks
Doris & Arthur Groves
Carol Galloway and Pastor Brian
Aaron Rattley and Ryan Rattley
Great Grandfather & Great Grandmother
Loved Ones

Mom & Dad (Bev & Jim Pierpont)
Tom Griggs Sr.
Tom O'Shea Sr.
Carol Galloway & Pastor Brian
Olivia's 14th Birthday, April 1
Granny's 90th Birthday, April 1

VITAL CONGREGATION WEEKLY REPORT FOR MARCH 24:

Total worship attendance all services: 235 (Palm Sunday., Mar. 24: 225; Mon., Mar. 25: 10);
Total Offering: \$7,133; Amount given to Charities and Benevolences: \$33; Total Number
Persons Engaged in Small Groups: 38; Total number persons received on profession of faith:
0; Total Persons involved in local, national, and international missions: 0. **Important! Small
Groups – please email the church office (mtmumc@sbcglobal.net) or call (203.874.1982) the
number of persons that met.*

EASTER FLOWERS

GIVEN BY

The Bennett Family

Shannon Bennett

Rev.Dr. Brian Bodt & Carol Galloway

Rita G. Brown, wife

Jennifer Calabrese

Josephine Caruso

Carveth-Pineau Families

The Cono Family

Carole Degnan

Paul, Beverly & Lillia Downing

Janice, Noel & Dawn Fino

The Griggs Family

Anna Henry

John Henry

Carol Hubbell & Family

Mary Lou Kampert

Caroline Koch

MTMUMC family

Stacy Meszaros

Brechin & Sandy Morgan

Tom Morse

Sue, Tee & Erin O'Shea

Anne Pall

Shauna, Chris, Jackie & Josh Paton

Iris C. Peckham & family

Bill & Maryann Petremont

Eddie Reichard

IN MEMORY OF

Dorothy & Frederick Bennett

Arlene Esser

Lucy & Andrew David

Catherine & Victor Szturma

Arleen Fearon

Dorothy & Fred Bennett

Sarah & Richard Greenaway

Yvonne A. Bodt

Dudley A. Brown

Tom & Bunny Calabrese

James Caruso

Mr. & Mrs. Edward Dautrick

Kristen Ann Carveth

Arthur & Hazel Carveth

John Michaud

Cipriano & Rome Families

Josephine Downing, Paul's mother

Gayle Jones, Bev's cousin

Loved Ones

Judie Griggs

Jim Dirienzo

Bob & Alice Henry

Richard W. Hubbell

Richard & Frances Kampert

Loved Ones

Loved Ones

Pastor Brian's Mother

Mimi & Pa (Dot & Berkley Bray)

Our Family & friends who are no longer with us

Gloria Fitzgerald

Reginald & Doris Morse

Judie Griggs

Rosalie O'Shea

James Pall

John Paton

Clarence Dick

Edward J. Peckham Jr.

Gordon B. Petremont

Millie Bartolomy

ACTIVITIES AND INFORMATION TODAY

- **WELCOME VISITORS!** May you experience God's presence with us. Please complete a red visitor's card (in the pew racks) and wear the "Visitor" name tag to help us greet you warmly. Our Ambassadors will look for you!
- **NO FELLOWSHIP HOUR TODAY.** U.M. Women host next Sunday.
- **FOUR PROGRESSIVE DINNER HOST HOMES ARE NEEDED** for **next Sunday's** MYF dinner, 5 – 8 p.m. This is a terrific opportunity to get to know our FABULOUS Youth members. Three stops for appetizers, Main Course (two homes) and Dessert. Please speak with Leigh Bak after worship or at 203.877.4807/davidbak@sbcglobal.net. Support our youth!
- **APPALACHIAN DENTAL SUPPLIES COLLECTION CONCLUDES TODAY.** Please leave donations in Dodd Hall.
- **OUR CHAPEL WINDOW RESTORATION FUND** has raised \$5,561 toward its \$5,700 goal. Help us go "over the top" with a gift today payable to MTMUMC, memo "Stained Glass Windows." **The windows are installed and finishing work nearly complete. View them on the Wesley Center, 2nd floor.**
- **SERMON COPIES** from Good Friday and Easter are in the rear of the church and on the web at www.mtm-umc.org. There were no manuscripts Palm Sunday or Maundy Thursday, which featured drama in telling the Holy Week story.
- **CHILD CARE:** *For children 5 and under* is provided in Wesley Center, building next door to sanctuary – OR – the service may be heard in Dodd Hall, if you wish to use it for restless children during service. *Please note that children over five are expected to remain in the sanctuary; the child care in Wesley Center is not staffed to provide for older children. Our Safe Sanctuary policy requires that children leaving the sanctuary must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.*
- **SEE THE WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR OUR MEETING SCHEDULE.**

THIS WEEK

ADULT BIBLE STUDY "JOB": There is more to the story of Job than the first and last chapters, for the chapters in between mirror our own life struggles. This study enables you to enter the story yourselves and experience the trials of life through the eyes of Job. **Tues., April 2-May 7, 7 - 8:30 p.m.** and **Wed., April 3-May 8, 10 - 11:30 a.m.** in the church library, Wesley Center. Order your book from Pastor Vink (203-878-8977 or vinkhaljane@yahoo.com). The cost for the book is \$10.00.

“PRAISEMAKERS” choir for children grades 1-5 continues **Wednesdays, 5-5:45 p.m.** in Dodd Hall, preparing now for Mother’s Day, May 12. For more information contact Barbara Repetsky (203.931.4363/mrmrsr97@aol.com), Judy Darak (203.874.5881/wingridrs@sbcglobal.net) or Dr. Riccardi (riccardir1@southernct.edu/ 203.506.7270).

THE LINDSEY WILSON COLLEGE CHOIR CONCERT is **this Wed., 6:30 p.m.** at St. Peter’s Episcopal Church, 71 River Street, Milford. This Methodist-related, 30 voice college choir is from Columbia, Kentucky. The concert is free; a free-will offering will be received. **Please come, even if only for a portion of the concert.** We still need food for the choir at 5:30 p.m. Wed. Contact Sarah at seabromley1@yahoo.com or 203.246.0706.

CHURCH COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS are requested by **this Thurs., April 4th**. Our next meeting is Thursday, April 11. You may send agenda items to Chair Shelly Lapadula (m.lapadula@rubens-lazinger.com) or the church office (mtmumc@sbcglobal.net).

NEXT SUNDAY

EASTER II – We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper using Setting A. The message “Are You Joking?” is based on Revelation 1:4-8 and John 20:19-31. We will observe a Camping Sunday emphasis with a message from Marcia Winter, Camping Coordinator; and offer prayers for National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Following worship, the first of three new member preparatory classes will be held.

“**FAIR ON THE GREEN**” **MEETING** will be immediately following worship on the 1st Floor of the Wesley Center. **Your** help is needed in this major effort and major fundraiser for our church. Please contact Head of Operations Eileen Doyle (ddoyle51@aol.com or 203.878.9049) to let her know of your interest. **This is a major undertaking but everyone taking a part makes the work easy and fun! Please support this effort.**

NEW MEMBER CLASSES BEGIN NEXT SUNDAY and continue on April 14 and 21 at 11:30 a.m. in the Pastor’s study, 2nd floor of the Wesley Center. We will get to know one another (Apr. 7), the history of Methodism (Apr. 14) and the opportunities for mission and service at MTMUMC (Apr. 21). **You may attend these sessions to learn and inquire without making a commitment to join.** **New members will be received on Sunday, April 28 at 10 a.m.** If you are interested in knowing more, please speak with Pastor Brian.

MYF “PROGRESSIVE DINNER” is **next Sunday April 7th, 5-8 pm.** Meet at the church *promptly* at 5 pm (immediately after Confirmation Class) and travel to three different homes for appetizers, main course and dessert. RSVPs & permission forms will be required for this event. Pick up will be at our dessert stop. Leigh Bak (203.877.4807) is the lead adult.

COMING SOON

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN MEETS TWICE ON APRIL 9th! All women of the church are welcomed! The **Noon** meeting will focus on plans for hosting the April 20th District meeting and the May 14 Mother-Daughter banquet. The **6:30 p.m.** meeting will be at Sue O’Shea’s home, 11 Gulfview, Milford, 06460 for a pot-luck and fellowship. To learn more, contact President Joan Zauner at jzauner@yahoo.com or 203.283.5643.

CHURCH COUNCIL meets April 11, 7 p.m. in the Dodd Hall alcove.

CONFIRMATION MEMORY WORK IS DUE APRIL 21. Confirmands may recite to mentors or Pastor Brian. Callie Merva is our first student to complete this assignment.

OUR LIFE IN PRAYER, MINISTRY AND MISSION

OFFICE HOURS this week are Mon. – Fri., 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. If you come and Wesley Center is locked, call Mary Lou at 203.874.1982 or Pastor Brian (203.895.3753). **BULLETIN NOTICES** are due by Noon Wed., hard copy or to mtmumc@sbcglobal.net.

FOOD BASKET: Please place non-perishable food items in the basket located in the back of the church & monetary donations in the Beth-El envelope.

ALTAR FLOWERS ORDERS are taken at any time for Altar Flowers OR “In Lieu of Flowers” to support missions (UMCOR, UM Army and others – please see info. table in back of church for list). **A donation in lieu of altar flowers is honored with a cross and miniature mission scarf placed on the altar.* Please contact Beth O’Brien at 203.877.8668 or bgobrien11@optonline.net or Beth O’Brien, 7 Breakneck Court, Milford, CT 06460.

PLEASE KEEP NAME TAGS on for Fellowship Hour and return them before leaving.

CONTACTING THE PASTORS: **Pastor Brian** (brian.bodt@yahoo.com; 203.874.1982, ext. 11 or 203.895.3753) is typically in office 9 – Noon, Mon.-Thurs. **Pastor Hal** can be reached at 203.878.8977 or vinkhaljane@yahoo.com. Please inform us of pastoral care needs and hospitalizations as hospital will not release that information to us.

WE HOST Alcoholics Anonymous AND Gamblers Anonymous WEEKLY. Please call the church office for the schedule or see it posted on the bulletin boards.

PLEASE NOTE: Should there be a medical or other emergency during the worship service, someone designated by the head usher will call #911. Do not call on your cell phone. Multiple calls may delay response. Thank you.