

*Only those who try to resist temptation know how strong it is.
We never find out the strength of evil until we fight it.
We never know the strength of the wind until we walk against it.*

Red Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *"I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked"*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: The Lenten journey has begun.

People: We are called to follow the example of Jesus who ...

Leader: listened for the voice of God in the wilderness,

People: followed the leading of the Holy Spirit

Leader: and resisted temptation.

People: Jesus is the Bread of Life.

Leader: Let us draw near to God as we break the bread and share
the cup that he first shared with us. **AMEN.**

***HYMN *"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"*no. 234**

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful Savior, we have been a wayward people. We were
dead in our sin, and you gave us life. We wandered away from
you, becoming exiles, and you rescued us and carried us home.
We have been sick, broken and needy, and you healed and
restored us.**

**We confess that we deserve none of this. Yet, your love is so
deep, your mercy so wide, your embrace so all-enfolding that you
have done for us what we could never do for ourselves. You have
made us your own. You have forgiven us and loved us. We
receive this gift with gratitude, joy and awe. We pray this in
Christ. AMEN.**

+SILENT PRAYER *(please use this time to confess your own personal sin)*

+KYRIE

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the Good News – our prayers have been heard and
our sins have been forgiven.

**People: Our prayers have been heard and our short-comings
have been forgotten! AMEN.**

***GLORIA PATRI.....no. 338**

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT

CHOIR ANTHEM

"Great Is The Lord"

GOSPEL LESSON

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

***THE CREED.....page 23 of red hymnal**

***HYMN *"Let Us Break Bread Together"*no. 210**

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *"O Rest In The Lord"*

***OFFERING RESPONSE/THE DOXOLOGY.....no. 356**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

***COMMUNION LITURGY.....red hymnal pg. 27-29**

***Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and
earth are full, are full of the majesty of your glory. Hosanna,
Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest! Blessed is he that cometh
in the name of The Lord, Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the
Highest!***

***BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

***HYMN *"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"*no. 241**

Let There Be Peace on Earth Gold Hymnal no. 681

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

POSTLUDE *"Festal Piece"*

(those who are able please *- stand, +-kneel)

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Altar Guild Workers.....Lillian Messner and Nancy Reese

Greeters.....Lillian Messner and Mark Kline

Head Usher.....Barb Hoffert

The Altar flowers are given in memory of Jerry Englert by his wife
Ann Englert and family.

During the month of February, Peace Pantry will be collecting white men's socks for homeless veterans.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Let us also pray for those whose needs remain silent.

Doris Fultz	Mel Gerhart	Deb Schleicher
Sally Romich	Lori Hartranft	Anna Lesher
Betty Leisey	Mildred Krick	

COMING EVENTS

Monday, February 19th – Bell Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 pm
Tuesday, February 20th – Bible Study – 7:00 pm
Thursday, February 22nd – Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 pm
Tuesday, March 13th – Council Meetings – 6:30 & 7:00 pm

MID-WEEK LENTEN SCHEDULE MINISTRY MATTERS

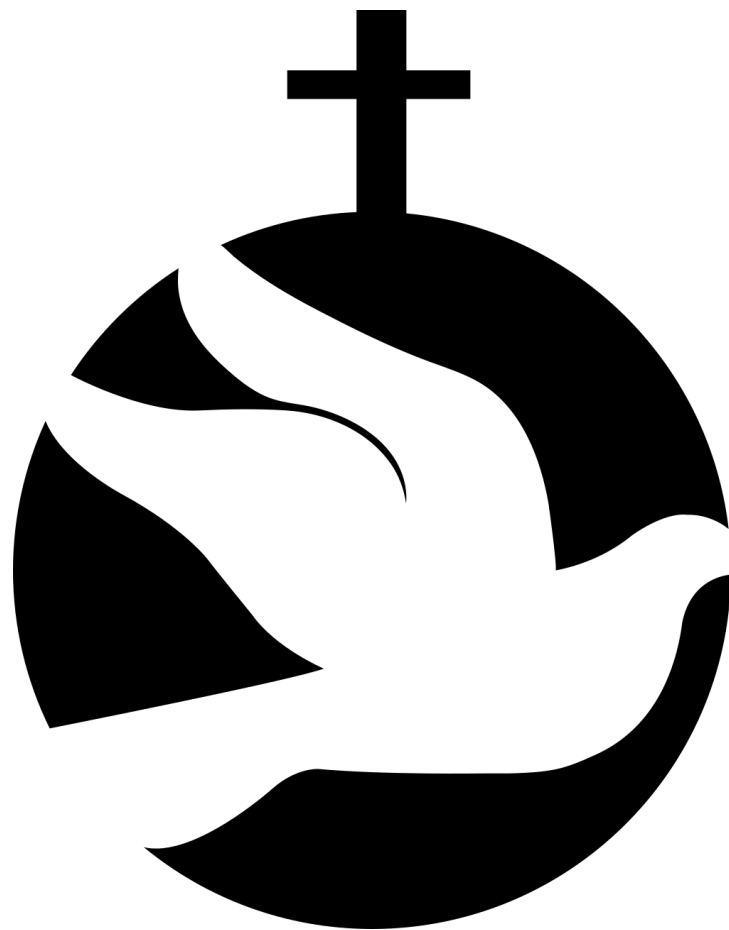
All Services begin at 7:30 pm

February 21st – Trinity UMC, 420 Main St, Denver, Bill Hoch
February 28th – St. John's UCC, 659 S 4th St, Denver, Mike Roney
March 7th – Swamp Christian Fellowship, 390 Swamp Church Rd,
Reinholds, Brad Haws
March 14th – Gehman's Mennonite, 127 Witmer Rd, Reinholds,
Craig Frazier
March 21st – Emmanuel EC, 70 W Main, Adamstown, Phil Horning

Do you like to knit, crochet, machine sew, "chat"? We are looking for women who are interested in getting together for some devotions and then a time of fellowship while making needed items for donation to agencies/hospitals in the area. You can't ask for more—devotions, fun and fellowship with other women, helping those in need. See Pat Hall for more information.

We invite you to follow the example of our youth and write a letter expressing your hopes and prayers for the people of Zion Church and Puerto Rico as they continue to rebuild in the coming New Year. Please drop your cards in the box that will be provided in the Narthex and we will send them all together.

Peace United Church of Christ



February 18, 2018
First Sunday of Lent