

**Sermon Series: "Giving It Up"**  
**Scripture: Genesis 3:1-7**  
**Sermon Title: "Giving Up Control"**  
**February 18, 2024**

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Control

a. Involves \_\_\_\_\_

b. Involves \_\_\_\_\_

c. Involves \_\_\_\_\_

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ to Control

a. Involves \_\_\_\_\_

b. Involves \_\_\_\_\_

c. Involves \_\_\_\_\_



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**LENT SERMONS SERIES:**  
**GIVING IT UP**

Lent is known as a time of giving things up. It honors Jesus' forty days in the wilderness without food, water, and people (only the Devil!) For the six weeks of Lent, we will be discussing giving things up for Lent. We're not talking about sweets, smoking, soda, or other bad habits we possess, which we shouldn't be doing in the first place. No, we are going to be looking at some other crucial things in our world to do without such as control, busyness, bitterness, complaining, worry, and misguided priorities. The first Sunday in Lent is February 18.

**LENTEN SUNDAY**  
**EVENING SERVICES**

This Spring we will again be blessed to participate in the Sunday Evening Lenten Services. These gatherings will be at various Methodist Churches here in Scioto County. These nightly services will each begin at 6:00 PM. Afterwards there is a time of fellowship with refreshments.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Preacher</u>
2/18	Haverhill	Rev. Ed Literal
2/25	Nauvoo	Rev. Bob Morrow
3/3	S. Webster	Rev. Dennis Bell
3/10	Wheelersburg	Rev. Pete Shafer
3/17	Minford	Rev. Tom Charles
3/24	Oldtown	Rev. Perry Prosch

**FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN**

We are scheduled to participate in **Feed My Starving Children** again this year at Cornerstone Methodist Church in Portsmouth. The date is **Saturday, March 9 at 9:00 AM**. We have 15 places reserved and a sign-up sheet is in the Welcome Center.

**LUNCH AND A LESSON**

**Begins Wednesday, February 21**

In *The Third Day: Living the Resurrection*, Tom Berlin uses his gifts of storytelling and understanding the Scriptures to connect the reader to the experiences of several individuals around Jesus in his final days, focusing on new life and redemption rather than loss. Join Peter, Mary Magdalene, and Thomas as they feel the despair of losing Jesus and the surprise and joy that awaits them in the resurrection. This study traces events around these characters, along with Paul and the disciples at Emmaus, and how the resurrection transforms their lives.

Each session begins at Noon and lunch is provided. Gatherings last about an hour. Books are available in the Welcome Center for \$15.

**WOMEN'S SCHOLARSHIP 2024**

Wheelersburg Methodist Scholarship 2024 applications are in the Welcome Center **AND ARE DUE BY April 28, 2024**. Green Envelopes are available for donations and have been placed in the pews and in the Welcome Center. Donations can be placed in the offering basket or mailed to the church. Please make checks to: *Wheelersburg Methodist Women*. Donations are being accepted until April 28, 2024. The awards ceremony will be May 19. Thank you for helping this important mission through prayer and donations.

**LENT DEVOTIONALS**

Get your devotions for this Lenten Season in the Welcome Center for \$2.

**SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER**

We have moved the Sunday morning prayer time to 6:45AM. This special Sunday prayer time is for anyone who wants some reflective time with God preparing you for the Sabbath Day. Each session lasts around half an hour.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

Altar flowers today are given in honor of Betsy Klapp’s mother, Dorothy Sharpe’s 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday on February 22.

**Prayer Concerns from February 11, 2024:**

Prosch – travel mercies, Bonnie Sparks – surgery, John Marshall, Katie Singer – job, Kerissa – health, Katie Blevins – pregnancy, Sharon White – health, Shawn – health, Judy Hanes, Rick Faulkner, Rob Woodward – family health and discernment, team health and discernment, Tyler Lang, Kenley Commins, Debbie Marinski – test results, Brent Marinski – medical issues, Bruce Moore – health, Keith Vanderpool, Joyce Gregory, Eddie Miller – surgery, GG, Vic and John, Bryan S., Shane L., Mary S., cure for cancer, all church families, David F., Steven – test, our world, all Ronda Sturgill’s family, Perry and family, good health, John M., Bonnie S., Pam H., Steve See, Pam Hall, Debbie Hanes, Missy Fraley, Jim Clark – heart issues, Andy Holsinger – health, Carol Wampler – Concord, Jon Adkins – scars for report on cancer, Becky Schuitz, Maggard family, Bailey family, Sparks family, Page family, Alice decisions, illnesses/surgeries within congregation, many outside of church family who need healing both physical/spiritual, emotional, Workplaces, decisions, Our church family, safety at school and driving, our country, those that have lost loved ones, those that are sick, Carson Henry – flu, Melinda Carrington – health, Pam McManus – health, Cheryl Porter - health

**Military:** Justin Bussa (Iraq)

**FOOD PANTRY  
TUESDAY, February 20**

We serve approximately 150 families each month during our Food Pantry. We meet starting at 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 AM. Everyone invited to help in this vital ministry.

**EASTER LILY ORDERS**

Easter Lily order forms are in the Welcome Center. Please fill out the form and place in designated basket. Lilies are \$15.00.

**Activities for the week Feb. 18 – Feb. 25**

**SUNDAY (February 18)**

6:45-7:15 AM Prayer Time in Sanctuary  
9:00 AM Sunday School  
10:00 AM Worship Service  
5:00 PM SHINE 24/7  
**6:00 PM Lenten Service – Haverhill**

**43 Haverhill Ohio Furnace Rd.**

**TUESDAY (February 20)**

**9:00 AM Food Pantry Volunteers**  
7:00 PM Scouts

**WEDNESDAY (February 21)**

**12:00 PM Lunch and a Lesson**  
7:00 PM Choir Practice

**THURSDAY (February 22)**

3:00 p.m. Shining Light (4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>)

**SATURDAY (February 24)**

10:00 AM AA Meeting

**SUNDAY (February 25)**

6:45-7:15 AM Prayer Time in Sanctuary  
9:00 AM Sunday School  
10:00 AM Worship Service  
5:00 PM SHINE 24/7  
**6:00 PM Lenten Service – Nauvoo**

**1410 5<sup>th</sup> Str., West Ports.**

Copies of the most recent monthly minutes of the Wheelersburg UMC Board of Directors and monthly financial reports are always located in racks in the entry area.

**FYI:** Each week the bulletins are normally placed on the church website by Thursday afternoon. Go there to see what’s going on before you come to church! The website is: [www.burgchurch.com](http://www.burgchurch.com)

Please pray the following each day at 9:00AM and/or 9:00PM:

**Holy God, send your Spirit to empower our congregation to discern your will and calling for the future of our church. Open our hearts and minds to accept your leading and direction. Establish clarity in the next steps in our life with Christ. In Jesus’ name. Amen**

**Sunday, February 18, 2024**

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements/  
Intro to Worship

Opening Hymn: *“He Leadeth Me:  
O Blessed Thought”*  
Hymnal No. 128

Meet and Greet

Children’s Moment  
(Afterwards Children dismissed to  
Junior Church)

Joys and Concerns

*“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”*  
Hymnal No. 349  
Pastoral Prayer/The Lord’s Prayer

Collection of Tithes and Offerings  
Offertory/Doxology  
Hymnal No. 95  
Prayer

Choir Anthem: *“Lord, I Need You”*

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Closing Hymn: *“Freely, Freely”*  
Hymnal No. 389

Closing Prayer  
Postlude

**10:00 Worship Servants**

**2/18/24**

**Scripture Reader:** Lauren Weller  
**Multi-Media:** Media Team  
**Acolyte:** Clark and Claire Weller  
**Nursery Care:** Karla Tackett

**2/25/24**

**Scripture Reader:** Rob Woodward  
**Multi-Media:** Media Team  
**Acolyte:** Greta and Graer Woodward  
**Nursery Care:** Karla Tackett

**The mission of Wheelersburg UMC is to:  
Make Followers of Jesus Christ to Change the World**

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