

**Sermon Series: "Giving It Up"**  
**Sermon Title: "Giving Up Bitterness"**

1. Acts 8:23 - \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Ephesians 4:31-32 - \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Hebrews 12:15 - \_\_\_\_\_.

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March 3, 2024

**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>
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

**WHEELERSBURG COMMUNITY**  
**FREE- PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
**AND EASTER EGG HUNT**

**Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-11:00 AM**

What does hundreds of pancakes and thousands of Easter Eggs mean? It's time for our church to gear up for another great community event! Breakfast is from 9:00-11:00AM and the Easter Egg Hunt begins at 10:00AM SHARP! We need 30 volunteers to serve at this annual event at the Wheelersburg Schools. Please sign-up on your connection cards.

**LUNCH AND A LESSON**  
**Wednesdays at Noon**

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.

**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**. All our positions have been filled. Thanks to those who will participate.

**SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER**

We have moved the Sunday morning prayer time to 6:30AM. 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.

**Prayer Concerns from February 25, 2024:**

Steve See, John Marshall, Bonnie Sparks – surgery Thursday, Dave Fannin, Dale Baker, Scott Battles, Glenna and Rick Nolder, Boo Sturgill – ankle, Debbie Watson, Melissa Sarver’s uncle who past on - Wayne Blevins family, county music festival for travel and good program, Karen Wagner - health, Zeb Logan - his family, Joshua McSweeny – motorcycle accident, Kristin Williams – foot surgery, Chris Allen – procedure Tuesday, unspoken, Bonnie Nelson – hospitalization, Larry Albright – surgery/recovery, Jerry Clark – cancer treatment and recovery, Sandy Lemke – cataract surgery, Dick Nance – good biopsy results, Fred and Mary Williams - physical healing , Tom Perry – Leukemia, Youth Ministry – Tyler Prosch, Pam Hall, Maggard family, Bailey family, Page Family – travels, Alice Maggard, surgery, Tracey, Evelyn, Adam and Aimee, Sparks family, Alice Maggard – decisions, LaRonda Eaton-Fite – family and friends, health, GG, Vic and John, Mary S., Shane L., Angie, Bryan S., cure for cancer and diabetes, all church families, Perry and family, our world, all Ronda Sturgill’s family, Pam Lauderback – health, Ale Smith – health, Shawn – health, Our church family, safety in school and driving, those that are sick, those that have lost loved ones, Rob Woodward – family health and discernment, team health and discernment, Tyler Lang, Kenley Commins, Eddie Miller – healing, Pam McManus - health, Melinda Carrington – health, Tammy Bevens – health, Linda Mercer, Judy Hanes, Mike Rase, Juanita Cole, Patty Bettis, Mary Moomaw, Alen Cheeks, Lyla Napier, Carolyn Baker’s nephew Tommy, Bruce Moore – health, Keith Vanderpool, Joyce Gregory, Claudia Bloomfield – family, health, Debbie Hanes

**Military:** Justin Bussa (Iraq)

<b>10:00 Worship Servants</b>	
<b>3/3/24</b>	<b>3/10/24</b>
<b>Scripture Reader:</b> Carl Darling	<b>Scripture Reader:</b> Larry Hall
<b>Multi-Media:</b> Media Team	<b>Multi-Media:</b> Media Team
<b>Acolyte:</b> Jenna Hall	<b>Acolyte:</b> Ian Sarver
<b>Nursery Care:</b> Karla Tackett	<b>Nursery Care:</b> Karla Tackett

**The mission of Wheelersburg UMC is to:**  
*Make Followers of Jesus Christ to Change the World*  
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**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 Mar. 3 – Mar. 11**

**SUNDAY (March 3)**

6:30-7:00 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 – S. Webster**  
**11 N Jackson St., S. Webster**

**TUESDAY (March 5)**

7:00 PM Scouts

**WEDNESDAY (March 6)**

**12:00 PM Lunch and a Lesson**

7:00 PM Choir Practice

**THURSDAY (March 7)**

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

**SATURDAY (March 9)**

**9:00AM Feed My Starving Children at Cornerstone**

10:00 AM AA Meeting

**SUNDAY (March 10)**

6:30-7:00 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 – Wheelersburg**  
**11605 Gallia Pike**

**MONDAY (March 11)**

**6:30 PM Board of Directors Meeting**

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, March 3, 2024**

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements/  
Intro to Worship

Opening Hymn: *“Great is Thy Faithfulness”*  
Hymnal No. 140

Meet and Greet  
Children’s Moment  
(Afterwards Children dismissed to Junior Church)  
Joys and Concerns

Song of Preparation:  
*“Spirit of the Living God”*  
Hymnal No. 393  
Pastoral Prayer/The Lord’s Prayer

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

Choir Anthem: *“Cross of Love Medley”*

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Apostles Creed/Holy Communion  
Closing Hymn: *“Let There Be Peace On Earth”* Hymnal No. 431  
Closing Prayer  
Postlude