

Call To Worship

Our Vision: We are committed to being Christ for Canton and our surrounding community.

Our mission is to go to the community of Canton and make disciples by serving and sharing the good news of Jesus Christ

Westbrook Park United Methodist Church

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9:00 Adult and Children Sunday School

10:15 Traditional Service

Visit our website at www.westbrookparkumc.org

Issue 2020-2W

Feb 2nd 10:15 AM

Losing Religion and Finding Jesus

Act 8:1-3; 9:1-19

Christianity is a religion. At least it can be. While there are plenty of religions to fulfil the need for ritual and a sense of grounding, only one offers relationship. Christ calls us to know him and be with him. When we move from studying God to knowing God, there is a relationship that awaits us. A relationship with a person-Jesus Christ. Saul was into religion. But his universe was shaken by a person-Jesus Christ. And when Christ shook his universe, of course—He turned his world upside down. Let's talk about Paul and His good friend, Jesus.

Feb 9th 10:15 AM

I Want to Walk Like Jesus

Acts 9:26-31

Following Jesus is not hard. He said his burden was light and his yoke was easy. But religion, even Christian religion can be a heavy burden to bear. That's why Jesus wants us free from it. Even people who walked with Jesus found ways to avoid walking with Paul—because he was different, they were afraid of him, and plainly they couldn't believe that God could change a Saul into a Paul. But He can and He does—and He can change you and me too. Walking like Jesus—a bumpy road or smooth sailing, He want to grow us.

Feb 16th 10:15 AM

I Want to Live Like Jesus

Philippians 1:9b-30

Imitation is the greatest form of flattery. Problem is, Jesus doesn't need to be flattered. But we do need to live like Him. Living like Jesus is not a "put on" to put others off. Living like Jesus means committing to a life that looks like Him because He is the perfect example of what Christ wants for us. It isn't a class, it's a way of living. Because of that, the true follower of Christ makes a commitment to a lifelong pursuit of Christ's way of living.

Feb 23rd 10:15 AM

I Want to Die Like Jesus

Philippians 1:9b-30

If imitation is the greatest form of flattery—how far do you want to take that? Jesus went to a cross and calls us to take up our own cross. Did He mean to die literally? Or did he mean something *more*? Paul tells us what it means to die for Christ, and we will look at what that looks like for us..

Music Director Mark Thewes

Feb 2nd The Sanctuary Choir will sing "Let All the World" Our guest organist will be Steve Moore

Feb 9th The Sanctuary Choir will sing "God's Saving Grace" Mark Tryon will be our organist

Feb 16th The Sanctuary Choir will sing "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

Feb 23rd The Sanctuary Choir will sing "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

The Bell Choir will ring "Percussive Praise"

The brass ensemble will accompany the hymns.



Food Pantry
We are being
Christ for Canton

FOOD PANTRY NEWS
We served 74 households 270 people

Matthew 25:40

And the King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me."

Let us continue to serve those less fortunate and by doing serve our Lord.
Thank you for your continued support of the food pantry ministry.

Each household received: bag of groceries and fresh items: potatoes, carrots, apples and sweet potatoes. They also received bread, salad dressings, eggs, cheese, chips, desserts and meat.

Thank you to those who volunteer- you are the hands of Jesus and make this possible: Kim and Diane Morrison, Megan Childs, Delores and Dan Fouts, Alice Thomas, Gloria Kahler, Venetia Myers, Lenny and Shelly Lemmo, Victoria Scheetz, Adrienne Gawlak, Sabina Gawlak, Bob Walters, John Wall, Eric, Bob and Betsy Spaulding, Dennis, Travis, Jess, Zachary, Blake and Caleb Pellegrino.

Items that are in need: **shampoo, toothpaste, tooth brushes, deodorant, dish soap and laundry detergent.** These are items families need and cannot be purchased with their food assistance money.

Our next food pantry will be **February 18th.** Come join us, new volunteers are always welcome.



EVERY
CHILD IS A
different kind of flower
AND ALL TOGETHER.
MAKE THIS WORLD
A Beautiful
GARDEN.

January 6th our new adventure in childcare began. Our new teachers are Melissa Matson and Emily Schustrich who are happy to be here and are doing a great job getting us started. They both have valuable experience and we are so glad to have them on our team. With one month under our belts we have passed our state licensing, our fire inspection, as well as our first inspection for our Step Up to Quality rating. It has been a busy and exciting time. We begin February with news that several more families will be join us and we look forward to the opportunities before us of reaching children and families through the Mission of Westbrook Park Place



2020 Offering Envelopes

The giving envelopes for 2020
We still have envelopes available. If you have numbered envelopes and have not picked them up you will find in the lobby at the back windows of the sanctuary. Blank sets are also available.

Love one another...

³⁰ And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.'

³¹ *The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."*

The command to love one another is found early in God's story. Moses taught the Israelites of the importance of loving one another. You cannot separate a life of faith and a life of love, they go together. It is not possible to love God sincerely without also loving your neighbor. Followers of Jesus are called to live differently than those around them. They are to be forgiving and loving, among other things. The command to love God and others is still relevant for us. The law of love should rule the hearts and lives of all Christians. Left to ourselves, we naturally want to please ourselves rather than love others unconditionally. Love is a sacrifice, It is much easier to serve ourselves than to serve others. That's why we need God's help. When we experience God's love for us, we are able to love others the way he loves us. Our ability to love others begins with receiving God's love for us. From the overflow of his love for us, we pour out love toward each other. If we allow it God's spirit will work through us to overcome our selfishness.

(excerpts from "Believe" by Randy Frazee)



<i>Marjorie Handlin</i>	<i>Feb 5</i>
<i>Alice Thomas</i>	<i>Feb 8</i>
<i>Kara Gatts</i>	<i>Feb 9</i>
<i>Chris Kieffer</i>	<i>Feb 12</i>
<i>Larry Stead</i>	<i>Feb 12</i>
<i>Sharon Stead</i>	<i>Feb 22</i>
<i>Eric Spaulding</i>	<i>Feb 24</i>
<i>Adrienne Gamlak</i>	<i>Feb 26</i>



We wish to express our condolences to Jim Heinricher. Jim's sister passed away in January. We are happy to report Jim's brother is alive and well and we have learned to clarify the word 'gone' in our conversations.

We also wish to express our condolences to the family of Betty Grovemiller who passed away January 20th. Services were held January 23rd at Arnold-Spiker-Foster-Shriver Funeral Home.

Happy Valentine's Day



Pardon our dust

Construction has begun on the lower level. We appreciate your patience as we work through the process up giving our facility an update. Special Thanks to those who have been helping clean out, and clean up in preparation for this work.

Westbrook Park UMC

Feb 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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9 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship Service	10	11 10:00 Pastor's Bible Study	12	13	14 <i>Happy Valentine's Day</i>	15
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Office Hours are 8:30-12:30; 1:00-4:00