

WELCOME

Whether you are a guest or a member, we'd love to connect with you! Let us know how we can help you.

I am a...

- 1st time guest
- 2nd time guest
- 3+ time guest
- regular attender

Tell me more! Email me...

- Gobin Weekly
- Gobin Newsletter
- Digital Prayer Chain

How can we pray for you?

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Please feel free to send prayer requests to prayers@gobinumc.org throughout the week!

- For Prayer Team
- For Digital Prayer Chain
- Confidential

This Week

Please consider using the following resources throughout the week ahead.

Question for Reflection

The third Sunday of Lent focuses on the gift of God's law (Exod.20:1-17). John Calvin (1509-1564) described three uses for the Ten Commandments: First, they show us how to live before God and neighbor, and expose our sins in failing to live as God intends. Second, they instruct our civic or common life, showing us how to live responsibly in the freedom God gives. Third, rather than show us what we must do in order to receive God's grace and love, the commandments show us how we should live because we are a people who have already received God's grace and love in Jesus Christ. Does God's law restrict or enhance our freedom as human beings?

Morning Prayer

God of heaven and earth, I listen this morning for the sound of your glory: in the songs of birds, in quiet conversations that begin the day, in easy laughter among friends, in sunlight's warmth, pattering rain, or silent snowfall. Give me ears to hear your glory in its many forms. Give me eyes to see your glory in its many guises. Throughout this day, I, too, will proclaim your glory, your grace, and your love so that I may be a part of the chorus of praise that stretches to the ends of the earth. In Christ's name I pray. Amen.

Evening Prayer

God of freedom, I thank you for claiming me as your own and for setting me in the midst of the community of faith. Today the news was filled with stories of people who do not live according to your commandments, with grievous results. Lives are shattered as your ancient tablets of stone are broken again and again. And I struggle, too, in my own ways, to live before you and my neighbors in faithfulness, generosity, and love. As the day comes to an end, I pray for forgiveness for myself and for this weary world, confident of your grace and mercy. Send your gift of Sabbath rest, and let me sleep in peace as, over and around me, night declares to night your power and glory. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

Next Week's Scriptures

Monday, March 5, 2018:

Psalm 84; 1 Kings 6:1-4, 21-22; 1 Corinthians 3:10-23

Tuesday, March 6, 2018:

Psalm 84; 2 Chronicles 29:1-11, 16-19; Hebrews 9:23-28

Wednesday, March 7, 2018:

Psalm 84; Ezra 6:1-16; Mark 11:15-19

Thursday, March 8, 2018:

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Genesis 9:8-17; Ephesians 1:3-6

Friday, March 9, 2018:

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Daniel 12:5-13; Ephesians 1:7-14

Saturday, March 10, 2018:

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Numbers 20:22-29; John 3:1-13

ANNOUNCEMENTS

District Conference TODAY!

The west district will be meeting on today, **Sunday, March 4, 2018 at 2:00pm.** The meeting will be held at the **Brazil First United Methodist Church;**
201 N. Meridian St
Brazil, IN 47834

All West district clergy and laity are encouraged to attend.

UMCOR Sunday is next week - March 11th

When You Give You Equip Christ's Body to Serve in His Name

That's because your generous giving to UMCOR Sunday is what allows UMCOR to act as the arms and legs of Christ's church, moving toward the most vulnerable in their darkest days. Convinced that all people have God-given worth and dignity—without regard to race, religion or gender—together we are assisting those impacted by crisis or chronic need.

Ensure the United Methodist Church Can Keep Helping

Will you continue to give to UMCOR Sunday (formerly One Great Hour of Sharing)? Will you continue to meet the needs of the children, families and communities who've experienced devastation in the wake of disaster? When we meet the needs of those who suffer we actually minister to Jesus, who said:

"I was hungry and you gave me food to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me. I was naked and you gave me clothes to wear. I was sick and you took care of me. I was in prison and you visited me." (Mt. 25:35-36, CEB)

As we respond, we recognize Jesus in those who are reeling in the wake of disaster.

GC Youth Gathering

Greencastle Presbyterian, St. Andrew's, and Gobin UMC are excited about forming a combined Christian community group for youth. If you have a child in middle or high school (or will be next year or so), have them join us and share their hopes and dreams for the group!

We will meet Friday March 9th from 7 - 8 pm at Gobin.

Thank you for your help!

The offering you made last week empowered ministry within our congregation and in response to the needs of our community. It also helped support the work of ministries beyond the local church that shape leaders to be more effective instruments of God's love and reconciliation in their ministry settings. Through our connectional giving, we make possible the coordination of the Wesleyan Pilgrimage to England, an event cosponsored by Discipleship Ministries, Higher Education and Ministry, and Archives and History. With the help of special scholarships, people who are in the process of entering ordained ministry get to encounter the Wesleyan traditions of our faith in an "up close and personal" way as they visit the sites that are such an important part of the legacy of John and Charles Wesley to the people called Methodist. This ministry happens thanks to the generous support of United Methodists like you. I invite you once again to give generously as we worship God through the sharing of our gifts, tithes, and offerings.



Gobin Memorial
THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

connect. grow. serve.



March 4, 2018

Our Mission

The mission of Gobin Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our Vision

To create a spiritual community that is full of life by honestly sharing out whole selves with one another in relationship.

"Finding A Word: Listening to the Texts"

Third Sunday of Lent
March 4, 2018

We Gather

Listen

Prelude

Welcome

Rev. Bryan Langdoc

Evoking the Mystery

Silent Rest

You are invited to sit quietly in the silence without any expectation of what you "ought" to be thinking. Don't worry about sounds from children or colds—simply let them float into and out of your attention. And if you find it difficult to settle your thoughts, contemplate the following:

We spend so much time
solving
fixing
figuring out

What about simply letting things be for a minute?

It is often the most needed ingredient for a breakthrough.

Examen

Carol Miller and Rev. Bryan Langdoc

One: For that which, then, I thought was right...

All: **have mercy, God.**

One: For that which, now, I regret...

All: **forgive me, God.**

One: For that which, hence, I know not what to do...

All: **guide me, God.**

One: Come and rest, come and listen.

Know that grace, forgiveness and guidance are available to you at each and every moment that we turn to receive them.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Opening Hymn

"Wonderful Words of Life"

UMH #600

Find

The Psalmist's Prayer

Psalm 46: 1-7

Carol Miller

One: God is our refuge and strength,

All: **a help always near in times of great trouble.
That's why we won't be afraid when the world falls apart,**

One: when the mountains crumble into the center of the sea,
when its waters roar and rage,
when the mountains shake because of its surging waves.

One: There is a river whose streams flatted God's city,

All: **the holiest dwelling of the Most High.**

One: God is in that city. It will never crumble.

All: **God will help it when morning dawns.**

One: Nations roar; kingdoms crumble.
God utters God's voice; the earth melts.
All: **The Lord of heavenly forces is with us!
The God of Jacob is our place of safety.**

Seeking the Word

Proverbs 1: 20-23

Carol Miller

The scripture in this series will be done in an abridged "lectio divina" format—which means "divine reading." We will hear the scripture read once and then we will let that resonate for a bit with some music for the inward journey. What words or phrases popped out for you in the reading? Feel free to doodle in your Worship Guide with that word or phrase if you wish. When the music is over, we will hear the scripture read again.

Music for an Inward Journey "The Feast of Love"

Gobin Choir

Children's Discovery

Alisa Isaacs-Bailey

Homily

Alisa Isaacs-Bailey

Reflect

Appointment with God and Communion

Rev. Beth Watson &
Rev. Bryan Langdoc

Please leave the insight booklet in your seat after the service and we will rotate them next week so that we can experience each other's wisdom—so keep that in mind when you write in the booklet.

We Respond

Closing Prayers

Prepare to Listen in the World

Connecting

Hymn for Moving On "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" UMH #127

Benediction

*We're so thankful that you are still speaking,
You're still speaking, gracious God.
For the sake of the world you are seeking
We are listening, listening now*

This Week's Scriptures

You can read along with this week's scripture readings online by going to
gobinumc.org/this-weeks-scripture/

Get Connected

For upcoming events: gobinumc.org/news-events/events

To reserve an event at Gobin: gobinumc.org/reserve-a-room/

Glory Sightings form: <https://goo.gl/5XE6tm>

As we go to God with our concerns and pain, let us also look for His Glory in the world. Take just a moment to jot down one to one million blessings, glory sightings, joys in the world. Your entries will be anonymous.

View the Youth Calendar: <https://goo.gl/ZsV8j4>

Let us know what activities your kids are involved in so Gobin members can attend and/or support through prayer. Contact the church office for more info!

Gobin Memorial United Methodist Church

Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9am - 4pm

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Greencastle, IN 46135

Phone: (765) 658-6010

Email: gobin@gobinumc.org

Website: www.gobinumc.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/gobinumc

Our Worship Schedule

Sunday School: 9:30am

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30am

College Worship Night: 6:30pm

Wednesday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

Children & Nursery

We love it when children stay to join us in worship. Liturgy boxes are located near the South entrance and are available for children to use and participate in the worship service. In addition, staffed nursery is available for children ages 4 and under in Wesley Hall. Children's Church is available for children 5 years old up to 2nd grade. Liturgy boxes are available for all children in the sanctuary!

Online Giving

You can make donations to Gobin online at www.gobinumc.org under the Generosity tab.

You can also text to give! Text GOBIN + TITHE + your amount to 73256 to give using your text messaging (Ex: GOBIN TITHE \$10). Standard text message rates do apply.

If you would like to learn more about online giving, contact Cheryl Selvey at 765-658-4040 or finance@gobinumc.org.

Available
in the
Narthex.



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Date:

Name(s):

I'm new here! I need to update my info!

Address:

Email:

Phone: