

**Kasson  
United Methodist Church  
January 22, 2023**

**Prelude**

**FWS #2164            “Sanctuary” (2X)  
UMH #64             “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”**

**Congregational Prayer**

**Congregational Reading  
                                 UMH #705 “For Direction”**

**The Apostles’ Creed**

**Children’s Message        “We will not serve your gods”**

**Scripture Readings        Daniel 3:1-30**

**Sermon                        “The Fiery Furnace”**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Offering UMH #95        The Doxology**

**Hymn UMH #77            “How Great Thou Art”**

**Closing Prayer and Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26**

**Announcements**

**Postlude**

**The Apostles’ Creed        UMH #881**  
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**The Lord’s Prayer UMH #895**  
Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Please sign the attendance pad and pass it onto others in your pew.

Articles for the newsletter are due tomorrow.

Naomi Cicle will meet February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30 am.

Next Sunday we have joint worship at 11:00 am at Pleasant Corners.

Scout Religious Recognition Awards.

Attention all scouting families.

There are opportunities to have your scout(s) receive a Religious Recognition Award. There are different levels of awards based on the age of your scout and all are endorsed by your church. This award demonstrates a commitment to intentional and personal study in their faith and is a family oriented program. We are hoping to have the booklet needed to work on the awards in the hands of the scouts by February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023. The plan is to have help available in case a scout runs into something they do not understand or if they would like to join a team of scouts in their age level and work on the award together. For information and details, Please call Rob Thompson at 634-4345. Boy Scout Sunday is Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> in 2023. Remember to wear your uniform to Church. Girl Scout Sunday is March 12<sup>th</sup>.



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**Welcome to Worship!**

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Challenge: Over the next couple of months we will be looking at some of the more well-known stories of the Old Testament. In particular, we will be looking at Daniel and the Lion's Den, The Fiery Furnace, and Jonah and the Whale. Your challenge is to read ahead through Daniel chapters 1-6, and the book of Jonah in preparation.

1) Nebuchadnezzar makes an idol after his own likeness and forces everyone to worship him. While we don't have kings or rulers who do exactly this today, we have some similarities. Can you think of situations where Christians are forced into idolatry or suffer consequences in our world?

2) Meshach, Shadrach, and Abed-Nego are all listed by their Babylonian names in this account. What are their real, parent-given, Hebrew names? Why do their names matter?

3) "If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire; and He will deliver us out of your hand, O king. But even if He does not, let it be known to you, O king, that we are not going to serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up." What makes these words from the three condemned men so powerful? What truths can you glean about those who are faithful to the Lord, even unto death?

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## All Church Meeting

Currently the United Methodist Church is at an impasse at the denominational level. Here in our local church, we are in the process of discovering our future, whether that be remaining with the UMC, joining the Global Methodist Church, or going fully independent. This is not a quick nor simple process, so every month we are holding informational meetings to answer questions and inform our members of what is happening fully. We desire to do this only once, to do it the right way, and to be full of grace as we proceed. All members and attendees are invited to join each of these meetings to learn more, and to ask their own questions. Each meeting is 1 1/2 hours in length, and is being led by the Staff Parish Relationship Committee, comprised of members of both churches. Please be in prayer for the worldwide church, your fellow church members, the ministers, and most importantly for your local congregation. We will vote on our denominational future April, 30 2023. Each meeting will be recorded if you cannot attend in person, contact the office for the Zoom link, and any questions you would like to ask in between meetings are to be directed to members of the SPRC or Pastor Jake.

Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

