

Genesis 3:1-7 niv *The Fall*

³ Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God really say, ‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden?’”

² The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden,

³ but God did say, ‘You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.’”

⁴ “You will not certainly die,” the serpent said to the woman. ⁵ “For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

⁶ When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. ⁷ Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

Lent Sermon Series *Disordered Loves: A Lenten Journey Naming What Distort the Soul.*

Feb. 22-Mar.22

Purpose: A Look at the seven deadly sins. These sins are not “Bad Habits” but **disordered loves: ways our God-given desires turn inward. Let us not be ashamed because Lent is not about shame, but about grace that reorders the heart.**

1st Sunday: "The Landmine of Pride: When the Self takes God's Place."

Text: Luke 18:19-14; Genesis 3:107; Proverbs 16:18;

Spiritual Exercise: Confession (silent and corporate)

2nd Sunday: "Lust & Envy: The Uncomfortable Truth."

Text: Genesis 4:1-10; 2 Samuel 11

Spiritual Exercise: Name gifts without comparison.

3rd Sunday: "Anger: Taming the Lion Within."

Text: Jonah 4:1-11; Ephesians 4:25-32

Spiritual Exercise: Practicing deep breathing and calming minds; Seek to understand other perspectives to foster empathy; Considering forgiveness as a path to release your anger; Engage in deep prayer and meditation to find inner peace.

4th Sunday: "Slothfulness: Resisting the Life God has Given."

Text: Matthew 25:14-30; Hebrews 6:11-12

Spiritual Exercise: Intentional Commitment (Focus on one concrete act of faithfulness).

5th Sunday: "Beyond Enough: The Danger of Self Craving."

Text: Luke 12:13-21

Spiritual Exercise: Giving Alms; Generosity



**“Your Greatest Enemy-
Pride”**

First United Methodist Church

2013 M Street - Belleville, KS

February 22, 2026

1st Sunday in Lent

Our Mission is to prayerfully:

SEEK God GROW in faith LOVE and SERVE others

For the transformation of lives!

Belleville First United Methodist Church

Transfiguration Sunday Feb. 22, 2026 10:45 Service

Message: Vicki Kopsa

Liturgist: Denise Dove

Café: Pam Scofield

Children's Message: Kim VanNortwick

(*Please stand if you are able)

Prelude/Gathering Music

Entrance/Lighting of the Candles (10:45) Acolyte(s) enter

Welcome/Announcements

Denise Dove

*Praise Song

“I Stand Amazed”

A/V

*Congregational Hymn

“Just as I Am ”

A/V (UMH357)

*Call to Worship

Denise Dove

Beloved of God, we gather at the beginning of this Lenten journey not to impress one another and not to prove ourselves before God.

We come carrying pride that tells us we are self-sufficient, that we have no need to kneel, no need to confess, no need for mercy.

Yet the God who formed us from dust knows our weakness and loves us still.

When we lay down our defenses, grace meets us. When we stop justifying ourselves mercy speaks.

Come, let us worship the God who gives grace to the humble, who lifts the lowly, and whose love is greater than our pride.

Come, let us worship in spirit and in truth. Amen

Time of Prayer

Joys & Concerns

Denise Dove

Pastoral Prayer

Vicki Kopsa

Lord's Prayer

Song of Prayer

“Glory Be to the Father”

UMH #70

Collection of Fish Money & Children's Message

Kim VanNortwick

Offertory

*Doxology

*Offertory Prayer

Scripture

Genesis 3:1-7

Denise Dove

Message

“Your Greatest Enemy-Pride ”

Vicki Kopsa

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

*Closing Song

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” A/V (UMH 298)

Dismissal/Blessings

Vicki Kopsa

WORSHIP MINISISTERS

3-1-2026

Message: Peyton Ott

Liturgist: Tandy Rundus

Children's Message: Donna Farmer

Cafe: Karen Hiatt

**Pew cards available for
guests / prayers
& information requests.
Place in the offering plate or
turn in to the office**

First United Methodist Church
M-Th 8:30am-12:30, 2013 M Street,
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Office Hours: Belleville T-W-Th 9-1
Food Bank Hours: Mon-Thurs 9-11:30
785-955-0086 Lana Novak

**New National Suicide Prevention
and Crisis Lifeline: 988**

**Bishop David Wilson-Great Plains Conference
DS Karen Rice Ratzlaff-Hutchinson-Salina District
Pastor Amos McCarthy--Belleville FUMC & Agenda UMC**

Birthdays & Anniversaries



2/22 Dronda Frydendall, Rhonda Bird
2/24 Kathy Dunback, Erica Wilkenson
2/26 Gary Scofield, Walter Molzahn
3/1 Ryan Bird
3/4 David Jeardoe, Wilma Mulch, Levi Blankenbaker
3/5 Jeanette Sheets. Collin Childs
3/6 Shirley Richecky

PRAYER LIST

Mike Knedlik, Carolyn Rauch, Christine Strutt, Wilma Mulch, Neva Demanett, Doug Hofman (Emma's niece's husband), JoAnn Parrack (Kaye Ray's sister), Vance Wendelburg (Susie Arbuthnot's cousin), Vanessa Grover (Joan's daughter-in-law), Mona Svoboda, Tranda Strnad, Jay Kallman, Solly Vanouhlden, Linda Whittaker(Jerry Melton's friend), Cindy Frye (Kaye Ray's daughter), Nancy Naysmith, Josephine Strnad

Upcoming Events:

**Palm Sunday March 29th
(children preform during worship)
Good Friday is April 3rd
Easter Sunday is April 5th**

Pastor Amos available for visitations.

Please inform me of any Nursing Home residents or others in need of visitations- Pastor Amos

Sunday, Feb. 22nd - 1st Sunday of Lent

9:30 Sunday School
10:15 Cafe
10:45 Worship

Wednesday, Feb. 25th

9:00a.m. Bible Study in Parlor
6:30p.m. Energize

Sunday, March 1st Second Sunday in Lent

9:30 Sunday School
10:15 Cafe
10:45 Worship

Wednesday, March 4th

9:00a.m. Bible Study in Parlor
6:30p.m. Energize

Thursday, March 5th

10:00a.m. Tiny Tots Playgroup

Tiny Tot Playgroup

1st Thursday of the month
March 5th
10:00-11:30a.m. in Nursery



Non-denominal Bible Study
9:00a.m. Wednesdays Belleville FUMC Parlor

Open to ALL
Heaven by Jennifer Rothschild
Lead by Joan Grover

Next study will be Max Lucado Footsteps of the Savior



Wednesdays
6:30-7:45
Grades 6-12
Meal sign up sheet available in foyer!

Liturgists for Feb.

2/22 Denise Dove
3/1 Tandy Rundus
3/8
3/15
3/22
3/29

Café for Feb.

2/22 Pam Scofield
3/1 Karen Hiatt
3/8 Nicol Parde
3/15 Stacia Piroutek
3/22 Kim VanNortwick
3/29 Jeanette Sheets

Head Usher-John Surber

Feb: Russ Piroutek
Chad Ritchie
Mar: Barry & Susan Childs

Children's Moments

2/22 Kim VanNortwick
3/1 Donna Farmer
3/8
3/15 Kathy Aeillo
3/22
3/29 Donna Farmer

Sign up sheet available in foyer!

Audio Visual

Bob Arbuthnot, Kelly Struebing, Tandy Rundus, Mike Hadachek

Praise Singers

Megan Ritchie
John Surber
Tandy Rundus



2026/27 Scholarship Deadline is March 15th

The application form is at BellevilleFUMC.com under the Scholarship tab.
https://www.bellevillefumc.com/?page_id=1458

(or in the church office)
If you have previously received a scholarship, you will need to apply yearly.
This scholarship is only available one time a year.

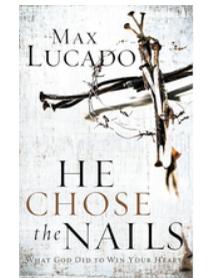
Lent Bible Study Sundays, March 8-29 7:00p.m. by ZOOM

“He Chose the Nails: What God Did to Win Your Heart”
by Max Lucado

zoom link:
<https://zoom.us/j/96723275316>

Book available.

Video series also available on Study Gateway



Community Prayer Team

Please join every Monday morning at 8:00a.m. from your home to pray for Our Country during the month of Feb. Set your alarms as a reminder. Each month may have a different prayer request.

Did you know... United Methodists first adopted an official ritual for Ash Wednesday that involves the use of ashes in the 1992 Book of Worship. Prior to that time, Methodists either had no official service at all for this day (through 1964) or an “ashless” Ash Wednesday Service (1965 Book of Worship). The use of ashes remains optional in the current Book of Worship, and, indeed, in all rites for this day.

In many churches the ashes are made by burning the palms from the previous year's Palm Sunday.

Giving Options

Text Giving: 844-509-2398
enter amount - follow directions as prompted.

Link to online giving

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Jan-Mar Fish Money: Resource Counsel
\$ Sunday - Church People Concerned

