



Bemidji United Methodist Church

All Church E-mail for February 27, 2019

IS SOMEONE YOU LOVE ILL? In the hospital?

Please call the office or Pastor Rob Kopp

THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK...

Wednesday, February 27

3:30 General Conference Conversations all are welcome to attend,
5:00 Community Table,
5:30 Choir, **6:30** Youth Group

Thursday, February 28

2:00-5:30 Stamping Group, **5:00** Community Table, **6:15** Lotus Zen Meditation

Friday, March 1

7:00-10:00 Square Dancing in the Fellowship Hall

Saturday, March 2

9:30 Yoga

Sunday, March 3

9:00 Adult Sunday School, **9:30** Early Family Worship,
10:30 Worship, **11:45** Confirmation

Monday, March 4

5:30 Girl Scout Leader Mtg, **6:30** Beginning Knitting,
6:30 Girl Scouts Mtg in the Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, March 5

5:30 Yoga, **5:30** AA in the Lounge,
5:30 Ruby Tuesday Singers Rehearsal

Have you have moved, changed phone numbers, or e-mail addresses; since our last directory in 2015? **PLEASE** e-mail or send written information to the Church Office. Thank You.

The 2019 offering envelopes are available to be picked up in the Narthex. If you need envelopes & they are not available there for you, please let Tammy in the Office know & she will get you some.

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SUNDAY MARCH 3, 2019 SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

With that kind of hope to excite us, nothing holds us back. Unlike Moses, we have nothing to hide. Everything is out in the open with us. He wore a veil so the children of Israel wouldn't notice that the glory was fading away—and they didn't notice. They didn't notice it then and they don't notice it now, don't notice that there's nothing left behind that veil. Even today when the proclamations of that old, bankrupt government are read out, they can't see through it. Only Christ can get rid of the veil so they can see for themselves that there's nothing there.

Whenever, though, they turn to face God as Moses did, God removes the veil and there they are—face-to-face! They suddenly recognize that God is a living, personal presence, not a piece of chiseled stone. And when God is personally present, a living Spirit, that old, constricting legislation is recognized as obsolete. We're free of it! All of us! Nothing between us and God, our faces shining with the brightness of his face. And so we are transfigured much like the Messiah, our lives gradually becoming brighter and more beautiful as God enters our lives and we become like him.

Since God has so generously let us in on what he is doing, we're not about to throw up our hands and walk off the job just because we run into occasional hard times. We refuse to wear masks and play games. We don't maneuver and manipulate behind the scenes. And we don't twist God's Word to suit ourselves. Rather, we keep everything we do and say out in the open, the whole truth on display, so that those who want to can see and judge for themselves in the presence of God.

Sermon for March 3

True Selves Revealed

Hymns for Sunday March 3

The Church's One Foundation

UMH 546

We Need a Faith

TFWS 2181

Be Thou My Vision

UMH451