

THE CHAPEL IN MINISTRY & MISSION

THE SIX-SERMON SERIES FOR LENT focuses our attention to **three social justice issues: racism, environmental justice, and the rights women have to not be exploited or abused** in workplace, school or home environments.

TODAY is our DEDICATION of KITCHEN CUPBOARD DONATIONS. Please bring boxed or canned foods to donate to this vital community ministry. A complete list of needed items is in the foyer. You may also donate cash in the noisy can on Sundays. **Thank you!**

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES THIS WEEK: Great Courses, New Testament, videos and great fellowship together. Videos are hosted by Bart. D. Ehrman, MDiv, PhD. Tuesday, March 13, 6:00 p.m. and continues Tuesday evenings.

BEARING THE CROSS: Please bring your friends into the sanctuary for our guided **Lenten meditation on racial justice**, through the civil rights actions of Martin Luther King, Jr., and all who walked with him. Sanctuary will be open Tuesday from 5-7 p.m., Wednesday 3-5 p.m. If you'd like to host an open viewing and meditation time, see Pastor Robin.

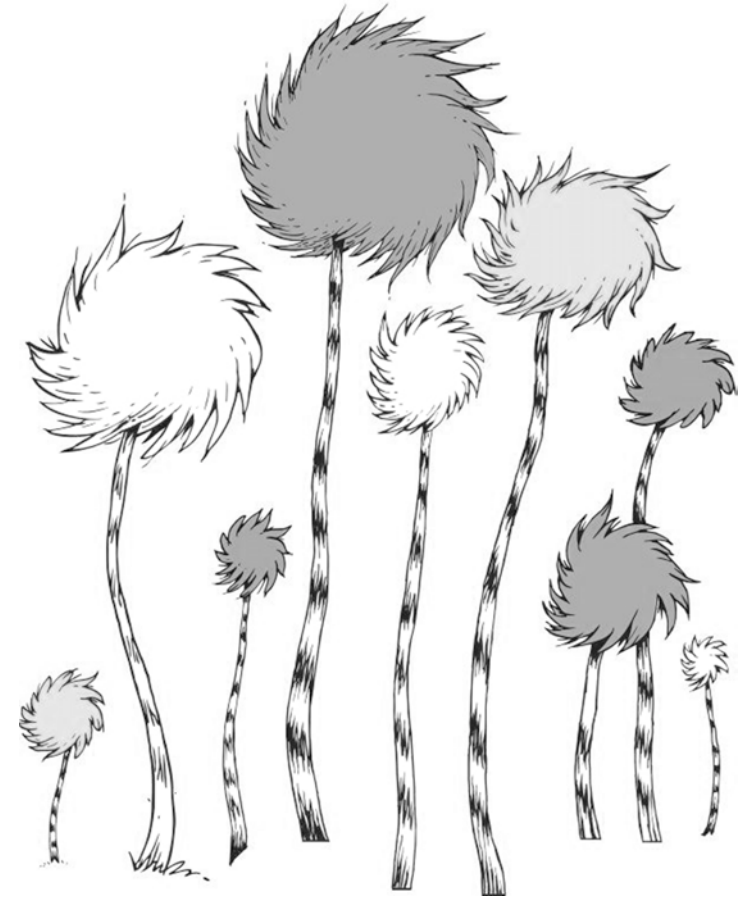
UNDIES FOR EASTER! Donate new children's socks (child's size S), or new boy's briefs or girl's underpants (sizes 4t, 4 or 6) for Pre-K students at Caroline, Beverly J. Martin, and Enfield elementary schools, as an offering towards comfort and dignity for our young neighbors. See Susan Spear for help shopping. **A donation tub is in the foyer.**

LEAD SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS. If you would like to participate in this important ministry with the youngest among us, please see Jackie Nock or sign up on the sheet downstairs. **Thank you!**

STUDENT APPRECIATION SUNDAY! March 25 during fellowship hour. We wish to extend our thanks to all IC student chorists, college, high school and elementary school students. Your enthusiastic participation in worship and fellowship is such a spiritual gift to all of us. **Come for eats, real face time with young and old. Bring a friend!**

Sawako Suzuki is providing PANCAKE BREAKFASTS SOME SUNDAYS and DINNERS FOR OUR MOVIES THIS LENT as a way of raising funds for her summer relay run to benefit the Ulman Cancer Fund for Young People. **Prepare to be fed!**

Foodnet Meals on Wheels MAC 'N CHEESE BOWL March 17, 2018, 11:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Ithaca High School Cafeteria, 1401 N Cayuga St, Ithaca, NY 14850. We are proud sponsors of this event. Tickets available at the door.



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FOREST HOME CHAPEL

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 11, 2018

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**Forest Home Chapel
United Methodist Church**

March 11, 2018

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

10 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE Merilee Nord, Music Director

GATHERING HYMN #408 *The Gift of Love*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PLEASE GREET ONE ANOTHER WITH THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*One of our goals at the Chapel is to help people experience a sense of belonging.
Please return to your seats as the music begins.*

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

That we may receive the grace to respect and care for God's creation,
let us worship God.

**That all creatures may be blessed as a sign of God's wondrous love,
let us worship God.**

That we may work to end the suffering of those in poverty
and bring healing to all of God's creation, let us worship God.

**That we may use our technology and inventiveness to undo the
damage we have done to God's creation and to sustain God's gift
of nature, let us pray as we worship God! AMEN.**

*HYMN #62 *All Creatures of Our God and King*

OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

**Such is this day, Holy One, that we confess to you our need to be more
attentive to your wondrous creation, this beautiful planet.**

**As we notice the needs, it seems so overwhelming that we do not know
where to begin. We recycle materials, we compost plant products, we
have reasonable cars with good mileage.**

**What are we missing? How can we more deeply look at the needs in
our community and make a difference that will matter to you and to
our great, great grandchildren?**

**Forgive us where we have not met a need or found a way to help;
guide us as we journey together in this conversation with the natural**

world upon which we depend; it is your creation and we can do better.

**We lift this prayer, together, that we might gather as your people to
make a difference and learn by the power of the Holy Spirit what
would please you. Guide us, we pray, AMEN.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

You have confessed and asked for mercy and it is given because the God of
creation loves you and hears you. Know this, and be glad. In Christ we pray,
AMEN.

ANTHEM

YOUNG DISCIPLES MOMENT

*All are invited to follow the children downstairs for a family friendly video as our
message. Please place your offering in the basket provided downstairs.*

WE ENCOUNTER THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 1:31; Psalm 96:11-13
Matt 6: 9-15 Susan Spear, Reader

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE The Lorax, a Video Presentation Rev. Dr. Robin Blair

A BRIEF DISCUSSION ABOUT THE FILM

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

SHARING OF PRAYERS, CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

Following each, the pastor says: "Lord in your blessings."

*The people respond: "**Hear our prayer.**"*

TIME OF SILENCE/PASTORAL PRAYER/LORDS PRAYER

*TFWS #2008 *Let All Things Now Living*

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *You may stand

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WELCOME VISITORS! We invite you to sign the guest book in the front entryway.
Restrooms are at the end of the hallways upstairs and downstairs. **Please join us for
coffee hour** after the service in the Fellowship Hall downstairs.