WEST DES MOINES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Changing lives in the Name of Jesus Christ

THE LINK

February 20-28 (Next issue-February 27)

The Women's Walk to Emmaus will be our guests this weekend. This is a life-changing experience for many. Please extend our customary climate of hospitality.

February 28 will be Youth Sunday. The Youth will be leading worship at **both** services **in the Sanctuary.**

SPRC is pleased to announce the hiring of a new full time Director of Finance. Tonia Mateer will begin on February 22. She has a BA in accounting and was most recently employed by Marsh & McLennan.

There are still some church directory photos to be claimed. Please check the Friendship Room on Sunday or the office during the week.

Easter Lily sales begin Sunday and run through March 6. The cost is $12 and the proceeds go to support the Youth Mission Trip.

New Bible Study will begin Sunday from 10-11 a.m. in Room 209. This 5-week video study on the Gospel of John will be led by Colleen Kummet.

Coming up on February 29:

> Informational meeting about adult mission trips—6 p.m. in the Café.

> Organizational meeting for our 4th annual *Meals from the Heartland* packaging event—7 p.m. in the Café.

Watch for details in next week's *Link*.

8th and Grand Slammers softball team is getting organized. If you are a GAL or GUY age 18-118 and want to join the team, please contact Joe Laslo **before** Tuesday, March 1 at joe_laslo@hotmail.com . This is a co-ed team that plays on Sunday nights. It doesn't matter your skill level or your age...you just have to be willing to have fun! Church membership is NOT required!

3 on 3 March Madness Net Knowledge Tournament—March 2 beginning at 6:05 p.m. in Heritage Hall. Broadcast live by Rev. Steve. Two great 3 on 3 teams! Come and cheer for the stars! The menu that night will be Pizza from *Casey's* and Wings from *The Chicken Coop*. Wear your favorite team gear!

TLC: Touching Lives with Change in February will go to **Hope Ministries.**

Gratitude: *Thank you to Mike Meline for the many years of coordinating the ushers for the 8:30 service.*

THIS SUNDAY: February 21, 2016

Rev. Steve Bibb, Pastor

Scripture: Phil. 3:17-4:1; Luke 13:31-35

8:30 a.m. "Not Here, Not There—Not Now"

11:00 a.m. "Here or There"

Saturday, February 20; Women's Walk to Emmaus

Sunday, February 21; TLC: Strong Missions; Baptism: Women's Walk to Emmaus

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship (11:00 in Friendship Rm)
9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
10:00 a.m. Sunday School; Youth SS will meet in Café; Praise Team Rehearsal; Gospel of John Study
7:00 p.m. WDM Guys @ Chicken Coop

Monday, February 22

11:15 a.m. Book Club
6:00 p.m. ESL; Staff Parish Relations Committee; Steering Committee
7:00 p.m. SPRC & Steering Committee

Tuesday, February 23

9:00 a.m. Quilters
12:30 p.m. Bell Messengers
5:30 p.m. Leadership Development
6:00 p.m. Board of Trustees
7:00 p.m. Susanna Circle
7:30 p.m. Christian Education Coordinating Council

Wednesday, February 24

5:00 p.m. Kerr Bible Study; Parent's Hang Out; Jubilation; Christ Chimers
5:30 p.m. WNL Supper - Breakfast for Dinner
6:15 p.m. Wesley Ringers; Confirmation; Children's Choirs
6:30 p.m. UMY
7:00 p.m. WNL Education
7:30-9 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 25

6:00 p.m. ESL Advanced Class

Friday, February 26

Saturday, February 27

10:00 a.m. Michael Whitfield funeral
10:30 a.m. Cubs Pinewood Derby

Sunday, February 28; TLC: Hope Ministries; Youth Sunday

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship (11:00 in Sanc. this week)
9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
10:00 a.m. Sunday School; Praise Team Rehearsal

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