

**Order of Worship  
February 14, 2010**

**Gathering** Doris Seames

**Announcements** Pastor Maddox

**Prelude** Doris Seames  
*Please take this time to prepare for worship.*

**Call to Worship** Bob Brullo  
Adapted from Psalms 71, 105, 92

Leader: My lips will shout for joy when I sing praise to you!

**People: Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; tell us of all His wonderful acts.**

Leader: My mouth is filled with your praise, oh God, declaring your splendor all day long!

**People: It is good to praise the Lord and to sing music in His name!**

\* **Hymn** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” v.1-3 **#89**

\* **Passing of the Peace** Pastor Maddox  
*A sign of peace can be a simple handshake, a hug, a wave, or even a smile! Welcoming others is a traditional way to pass the peace of Christ.*

**Children’s Message**

**Response** “Jesus Loves the Little Children” **Screen**

**Scripture** Genesis 25:19-26 Bob Brullo  
The Word of God for the people of God  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Preparing Our Hearts for Prayer** Doris Seames  
*A few moments for silent reflection.*

**Sharing Our Joys**

*If you have prayer requests, please complete a prayer request card and pass it to the center of the aisle.*

**The Pastoral Prayer** Pastor Maddox

**Lord’s Prayer**  
*Words are on screen if needed.*

**Hymn** “I Love to Tell the Story” v.1-3 **#156**

**Offertory** Doris Seames  
*If this is your first time visiting us, please do not feel obligated to give to the offering.*

\* **The Doxology**  
“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” **#95**

\* **The Prayer of Dedication** Bob Brullo  
*- A prayer of thanks for what we have, and asking for blessings upon that which we give back to God.*

**Scripture** Genesis 18:20-33 Bob Brullo

The Word of God for the people of God  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Message** “A Journey Through Genesis – “  
“Thanks a Lot” Pastor Maddox

\* **Hymn** “How Great Thou Art” v. 1-3 **#77**

\* **The Benediction** Pastor Maddox

\* **The Postlude** Doris Seames

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

Our appreciation goes to Cal and Bette Sumner for being our greeters, and to Bob Brullo for being our Liturgist. Special thanks to Doris Seames for playing the piano and to you for joining us today.

**Please sign the registration pads to let us know you were worshipping with us today.**

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**We will be loyal to Sanctuary Church and uphold it with:**

**Our Prayers:**

Del Luse, Mary Fortenberry, Ava Mendoza, Alicia Hieb, Nigel Winchester, Lou Seames, Anna Vee Wells, Pam Haas, Diane Drayna, Nancy Swenberger, those recovering from addiction, those in financial difficulty, and our friends and loved ones in the military.

**Our Presence:**

Coming to church can be good for us, but it can also be good for others. You never know when God is going to use you to touch the life of someone else!

**Our Gifts:**

Gifts are more than financial – they are also sharing your gifts of service, of prayer, of leading, of teaching, and the list goes on. What gifts do you have and are you sharing those gifts?

**Our Service:**

Serving others is a great way to draw close to Christ. Do you volunteer for anything at church or some other organization? If not, why not begin praying about it?

**Our Witness:**

Do you share the excitement here at Sanctuary with others? Do you share the joy God brings to your life with those you love?

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### Ash Wednesday Service

This year our Ash Wednesday (February 17<sup>th</sup>) service will be held at 6:00 pm at Donene Potyok's home: 7641 N Hemingway Place. The service will include Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes. The entire service will last about 20 minutes. If you would prefer a more traditional setting, St. Mark's will have Ash Wednesday services at 7 p.m.

### Sign up for treats

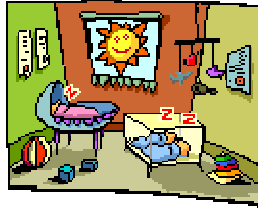
We need people to sign up to bring refreshments at both services. See Laurie Dunn for 1st service and Barb Strahorn for 2nd service. Thank you!

### Sanctuary on Facebook

Did you know that over 70% of US households are using Facebook? Well now you can find Sanctuary UMC there as well! A great place to view photos, catch up on events, join in discussions and more! There is a link to our Facebook page on our website.

### Haiti Earthquake Relief Donations

Taxpayers who made cash contributions made through Sanctuary UMC before March 1<sup>st</sup> are eligible to take these donations as an itemized deduction on their 2009 return. Statements for these donations will be mailed shortly after the March 1 deadline. This notice is based upon the special tax relief provision, enacted Jan. 22 by Congress. See Al Seames if you have any questions.



### Nursery and Sunday School

We have both a nursery and children's Sunday School available. The nursery is open from 8:45 – 11:30. Sunday School starts after Children's Message.

### Potluck - Sunday, Feb. 28

We will have an all-church potluck on Feb. 28 at 11:30. Bring a dish to share, and invite a friend!

### A Word From your Church

Do you receive the weekly e-mail from Pastor Mark? If not, go to our website: [www.MaranaChurch.com](http://www.MaranaChurch.com) and click on the link that reads, "Get E-mail Newsletter."

### Giving is easier than ever at Sanctuary!

You can make you weekly, monthly or quarterly offerings automatically! If you would like to switch to electronic transfer, all that is needed is a cancelled check or deposit slip. See Al Seames, the Financial Secretary, who has forms that make the process quick and simple.

### This week at Sanctuary

**Wednesday** - Ash Wednesday service - 6 pm  
**Thursday** - Men's breakfast - 8 a.m. at Grumpy's Jr.

### Further Reading

Pastor Maddox would like to lift up the following scriptures for you to read this week:

*Genesis 14, Genesis 18:16-33, Genesis 19,  
Genesis 29:1-2 and Genesis 26:7*  
Book of Ruth

***Our mission is to be a vibrant and welcoming church that grows in faith, serves Christ, and shares His love.***



Welcome to Sanctuary United Methodist Church!

**If this is your first time visiting, we would like to let you know that we are happy you decided to worship with us today.**

I never realized how "normal" my life was. I grew up in a dysfunctional family, had a dysfunctional young adult life, and the list goes on. Then, as we've been seeing in this sermon series, the lives of the heroes in the Bible were more messed up than my life ever could have been!

I came to a realization that all families have their issues. There isn't a 'perfect' family out there. Then I realized that if God so loved all of those 'really dysfunctional' families in the Bible, then he must love me just as much!

My friends - God loves all of us so much that he gave us his only Son and he continues to love us even when we are dysfunctional!

Peace and Blessings,

Pastor Mark

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