

**Lectionary Scriptures For  
March**

**March 1, 2015**

**Second Sunday in Lent**

Gen 17:1-7, 15-16; Ps 22:23-31  
(UMH 752); Rom 4:13-25;  
Mark 8:31-38

**March 8, 2015**

**Third Sunday in Lent**

Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19  
(UMH 750); 1 Corinthians 1:18  
-25; John 2:13-22

**March 15, 2015**

**Fourth Sunday in Lent**

Num 21:4-9; Ps 107:1-3, 17-22  
(UMH 830); Ephesians 2:1-10;  
John 3:14-21

**March 22, 2015**

**Fifth Sunday in Lent**

Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 51:1-  
12 (UMH 785); Hebrews 5:5-  
10; John 12:20-33

**March 29, 2015**

**Palm Sunday**

Mark 11:1-11; Ps 118:1-2, 19-  
29 (UMH 839); Philippians 2:5  
-11; Mark 15:1-39 (40-47)

**Lectionary Scriptures For  
April**

**April 5, 2015**

**Easter Day**

Acts 10:34-43; Ps 118:1-2, 14-  
24 (UMH 839); 1 Cor 15:1-11;  
Jn 20:1-18; or Mk 16:1-8

**April 12, 2015**

**Second Sunday of Easter**

Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133 (UMH  
850); 1 John 1:1-2:2; John  
20:19-31

**April 19, 2015**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

Acts 3:12-19; Ps 4 (UMH  
741); 1 Jn 3:1-7; Lk 24:36b-48

**April 26, 2015**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 4:5-12; Ps 23 (UMH 754  
or 137); 1 Pet 1:17-23; Lk 24:13  
-35



# SOAR TO THE HEIGHTS

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## Micah's Meditations

Excitement is building. The college basketball season is winding down. We are moving closer to "March Madness." The NCAA Tournament is almost here. The focus of fans and their favorite teams is geared toward Selection Sunday when the 68 tournament teams are named. My alma mater, Southern Methodist University, is having a fantastic season. SMU fans are very enthusiastic, as it appears the Mustangs will make their first NCAA Tournament appearance since 1993. This has been a very fun season to watch and follow college hoops. Many questions are being asked now that the journey to March Madness has hit high gear: Who will get in? Who will get snubbed? Who will be the Cinderella this year? Who will win it all?

Indeed, this excitement and enthusiasm is an important part of the "Road to the Final Four." As we enter into March, we are traveling on a journey ourselves. Just as college basketball teams are intentional and focused in their goal of making the NCAA Tournament, we are intentional, focused, and deliberate on our spiritual journey to Jerusalem and the cross. Journeys can be very difficult. As they headed on to Jerusalem, it wasn't an easy time for Jesus and the disciples. But, Jesus stayed focused. He was very intentional in his words and his actions. Jesus even paused and shared loving acts of healing even as he neared those final days and the crucifixion. That same love and presence stays with us on our journey during Lent, and during each and every journey that will go on. So, on each journey that comes our way, may we be intentional and focused. With each step we take, may we remember that Jesus is our guiding light that gives us strength, peace, and courage.

Grace & Peace,

*Micah*  
Pastor Micah



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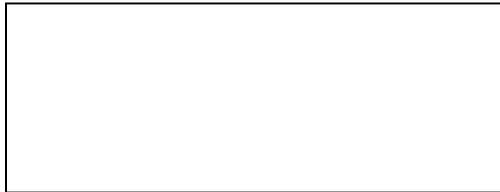
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Main St.

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Worship @ 10:55 am



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### Sunday Night F.I.R.E.

**(Faith In Reaching Everyone)**

Join us on the first and third Sundays of the month from 4:45pm – 6:00 pm for UMYF (seventh through twelfth grades). It is exciting to report that we have a Christian Video License thanks to the Oklahoma United Methodist Conference. Therefore, we are going to start a new devotion series using movie devotions. Come, eat, play games, and bring a friend! We are in need of volunteers for F.I.R.E. If you can help please contact Sharla at [sharladowelcher@gmail.com](mailto:sharladowelcher@gmail.com) or call 580-916-8088.



Priscilla Pope-Levison and Jack Levison.

### United Methodist Women Day Apart

Date: March 5, 2015

Time: 9:00 am—11:00 am

Place: First UMC  
1001 Frisco Avenue,  
Clinton, OK

### UMW Meeting Schedule

The next meeting will be March 11th at 2:00 pm. We will have a special program over “Weaving the Stories of Women’s Lives” for National Women’s History Month.

The meeting for April will be the 8th at 2:00 pm. We will start our book study over *How Is It with Your Soul?* by



### Church Women United

Date: March 6, 2015

Time: 11:30 am—1:30 pm

Place: Grace UMC  
620 S Park Lane, Altus  
Grace UMW to serve the meal and HHUMW to give program.

### Thank you!

A big thank you to everyone who participated in the Souper Bowl of Caring. We raised \$84.00 for the local food pantry.

Also, I would like to thank everyone who donated blankets to the blanket drive. They were given to the Jackson County Sheriff’s Department.

### Missions

We are currently collecting non-perishable food items for Operation C.A.R.E. Did you know that one in six Oklahomans struggle with hunger? Please help us to fill the meal gap!



And don’t forget about the ongoing project thru the year of collecting eye glasses.

### 2015 Communion Sign Up

A list of dates for 2015 Communion stewards will be out in the Narthex. Please sign up to provide the sacraments such as bread and grape juice, assist

Pastor Micah, and set the front of the church up for Communion.

### Outreach

Outreach to others is one of the most vital components of our church. We can be the hands, feet, and voice of Jesus Christ, and in doing so, be a blessing to others. We can reach out to others not only on a local level, but throughout the United States, and internationally. We can do this by supporting UMCOR—United Methodist Committee on Relief. They need Supply Kits or will accept donations toward the supplies for the kits. To find out more visit [www.umcor.org](http://www.umcor.org) or see Sharla.



Mourn the agony of crucifixion on Good Friday (April 3rd @ Grace UMC). Celebrate the new life of Easter resurrection (April 5th @ HHUMC).

No season offers more rich ways to connect to God than this one. In the story of Christ’s death and resurrection, we find meaning for our lives and community. All are welcome to share this powerful time with us.

Experience the rich blessing of this holy season by sharing in worship at Grace UMC and HHUMC as we walk the Way of the Cross.

Share the joyous anticipation of Palm Sunday’s processional (March 29th @ HHUMC). Taste the profound love offered by Christ on Maundy Thursday (April 2nd @ HHUMC).

We will be sending out a letter in the mail closer to Holy Week to give you more information about time and place on these special services.

### Easter Breakfast



#### Easter Breakfast

Date: April 5, 2015

Time: 9:00 am

Place: HHUMC Fellowship Hall

#### Lay Servant Training

Date: April 10 & 11, 2015

Time: Fri., 6:30 pm—10:00 pm  
Sat., 7:00 am—4:00 pm

Place: First UMC  
317 N. Main, Altus  
Ask Pastor Micah or Sharla for the registration form.

“Each photograph is a story captured in a single moment” ~ M. Lopez



Top Left: January 25, 2015  
Souper Bowl Sunday  
Winner of the Silver  
Ladle—Ronda Litsch!!!



Right Side: Feb. 8, 2015  
Valentine’s Banquet at  
Buena Vista Grill

