

CONCORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

P.O. Box 746
(Vermillion and Church Streets)
109 Vermillion Street
Athens, WV 24712

Office Phone: (304) 384-7922
Email: rhm2851@bellsouth.net
Website: concordathens.org
[Online Giving](http://concordathens.org/give): concordathens.org/give

Pastor: Rev. Richard Moeller
Worship Leader: Elizabeth Muldoon
Roots & Wings Moment: Elizabeth Muldoon
Scripture Reader: Matthew Thomas
Technician: Matthew Thomas
Pianist/Musician:
Secretary: Jayne Jones
Custodian: Carol McManaway

THIS WEEK AT CONCORD CHURCH

Sunday, March 1
10:45 AM – Gathering Time
11:00 AM — Worship

Wednesday, March 4
7:00 PM — Bible Study Week 2

Thursday, March 5
6:00 PM — Yoga, Anderson Hall

Saturday, March 7
8:00 AM – Men’s Breakfast

Sunday, March 8
10:45 AM – Gathering Time
11:00 AM — Worship

Wednesday, March 11
7:00 PM — Bible Study Week 2

Thursday, March 12
6:00 PM — Yoga, Anderson Hall

Announcements

Princeton Parish Project — March — We are collecting **peanut butter** for the food pantry this month.

Lenten Bible Study — Our Lenten study this year will be **The Final Days**. This five-week series begins Wednesday, February 25, and will meet via Zoom at 7 PM. Study books are available for \$12. Please let Elizabeth know if you would like to participate. We have books in the office.

Member Update and Directory – Please feel free to drop your updated information sheets in the offering plate or you can email me your response at secretary@concordathens.org.

CrossTalk — If you have ideas for an article or feature in the *CrossTalk*, please share them with Jayne or Richard. We are also considering shifting the publication schedule from every other month to a quarterly (every three months) format. **Your feedback is important to us**, so please let us know your thoughts on this possible change.



CONCORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Seek God’s Will ~ Teach God’s Love ~ Serve God’s World

Sunday, March 1, 2026

**Second Sunday in Lent and
Holy Communion**

ENTRANCE

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

*Call to Worship

Today, we follow Jesus into a wilderness full of isolation, fatigue, hunger, thirst, and temptation.

>We follow, trusting in God’s mercy.

We witness Jesus resist the siren calls of sensationalism, notoriety, and misuse of power for selfish gain.

>We recognize God’s mercy at work in the face of temptation.

We notice the angels who tend Jesus, messengers of care in a harsh and lonely place.

>We pay attention to God’s merciful presence that did not abandon Jesus and does not abandon us now.

We come to the wilderness together, clinging to the truth that we are not alone—God is with us.

>We gather to worship God, whose unfailing mercy journeys with us into the wildernesses of our lives. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Morning Hymn: *Beneath The Cross Of Jesus (UMH 297)*

Roots & Wings Moment

Prayers of the People
Together, let us pray for
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

*Please stand as you are able.

Pastoral Prayer

Now, with the confidence of God's people, may we pray together the Lord's Prayer.

>The Lord's Prayer (UMH 895)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Psalter Reading: Apostle's Creed (UMH 881)

Offering and Offertory Music

*Doxology, Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (UMH 94)

*Offertory Prayer

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17 (New Testament, Pew Bible page 154-155)

Message: *"Jesus Teaches Nicodemus"*

Text: John 3:1-17 (New Testament, Pew Bible page 93-94)

HOLY COMMUNION

Service Of Word and Table II (UMH Page 12)

SENDING FORTH

*Closing Hymn: *Spirit of the Loving God (UMH 393)*

*Benediction



CUMC Facebook



Pray for: Sick and shut-in members; The United Methodist Church; Bishops; District Superintendents; Pastors; the President; the Governor; the military and their families; world leaders and elected officials; and pray for peace.

Military Personnel: Tom Bone IV and Andy Walker

February 1: Kathy S., prayers for Susan P; Paulette B., prayers for Nancy B. and her family. Nancy passed away last Thursday; Richard M., prayers for Joyce's sister, Colleen; prayers for all travelers this weekend; prayers for our country and its leaders.

February 8: Richard M., prayers for Joyce, who is in the hospital; Kathy F., prayers for Jack's safe return home and prayers of thanksgiving for Jack who restored the heat (!) spending many cold nights working under the building to fix furnace; Matt T., prayers for two PikeView students recovering from surgery; Kathy F., prayers for the family of Lorin A., who lost her battle with cancer, and pray especially for her two daughters, Abigail and Stella; Richard M., pray for our country and our leaders; Elizabeth M., prayer of Thanksgiving for David and Sheila M. celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary; prayers for Paulette B. for her upcoming dental surgery; Justin H., celebrate Richard M's birthday and his leadership.

February 15: Sheila M., prayers for Betty Sue H. who passed away yesterday; Kathy S., prayers for the Purser family. Jo Ellen passed away this week from pneumonia; Jayne J., prayers for Susan P. and Gina L.; Greg B., it was a rough week for my office. Prayers for our receptionist's husband, Jimmy S.; another employee's son was shoveling snow and developed an infected blister, and the third employee became very sick, and we made her go to the hospital. Prayers for my office; Richard M., continued prayers for Joyce M.; Jack F., continued prayers for Barry K. He had an infected shunt removed and is in the hospital; Joe M., continued prayers for our country, its leaders and our countrymen; Scott M., Pastor Don S. in Beckley Community UMC is having some undiagnosed health issues. Prayers for him and his family.

February 22: Gregg B., continued prayers Beth P., a member of our firm, whose significant other passed away; Scott M., continued prayers for Pastor Don S. in Beckley. He is doing much better; Jack F. continued prayers for Barry K. and also prayers for a friend of mine, Tim B., who had a stroke last week; Matt T., Joyce M. sent a message to the church on FB, let's pray for Joyce and Richard; Joe M., continued prayers for our country and its leaders; Matt T., prayers for a co-worker, Colton, who severed an Achilles and had surgery to have it re-attached. He will be off work on bed rest for at least two months; Elizabeth M., prayers for Joe P. who is having a procedure this week, Jack F., please also pray for Colton's wife, Sarah.

(Prayer requests will be listed here for four weeks.
First names and last initials are used with details omitted to protect privacy).

* Please stand as you are able.

** The Year C Lectionary: Daily Readings may be found on our website at concordathens.org