

AMLIN UMC

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RECONCILING MINISTRY



Here at Amlin, all are invited to come as you are to praise the Lord and receive the Good News of Jesus Christ. We believe that we are all called to love our neighbor and that all people are worthy of love. It is our differences that make us whole. If you are new to Amlin, we hope you'll find a place where you are warmly welcomed and feel at home.

OUR MISSION

Go and make disciples for the transformation of the world!

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We Pray at 8

Be our vision, Lord. Set a passion in our souls for You and Your mission. We see You are doing a new thing and making a way forward. Give us the courage to be used for Your glory. Help us to be a church for your people. fill us with the hope of seeing Your kingdom come here at Amlin.

Isaiah 43:19

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AMLIN HAS A NEW
WEBSITE AND APP
amlinumc.org



Same Address ~ New Look
Search Amlin in your App Store or Online

Blessing for Ash Wednesday

These days of dust.
These days of despair.
We can hear reality speak to us
in a clear, ringing voice.
So we approach. Carefully.
Barely ready to hear the hard truths
we long to be told
about beautiful, terrible death.

How strange that it feels
so right and good
to walk forward together
wearing our finitude,
a mess of ash smeared on our foreheads
to be told:
remember that you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.



How strange that it
feels so right and good
at the edge of awareness
—the balance point
of being and non-being.
I catch my breath as I turn and look
to see the shining faces all around.
I see it all in a glance:
how precious
how precious
how precious
how holy each single, imperfect life,
how beautiful
how great
how unconquerable
each single, unfinishable life,
because you deemed it so.
You looked on us,
covered in death,
as a man about to walk
a darkening path,
the only one
who could wipe away our ashes
with a single act of love.⁵

5 Kate Bowler. "A Blessing for Ash Wednesday" in *Have a Beautiful, Terrible Day: Daily Meditations for the Ups, Downs, and In-Betweens*. (New York: Convergent Books, 2024). 99.

THE HARDEST PART

LENT 2025

DAILY GUIDE

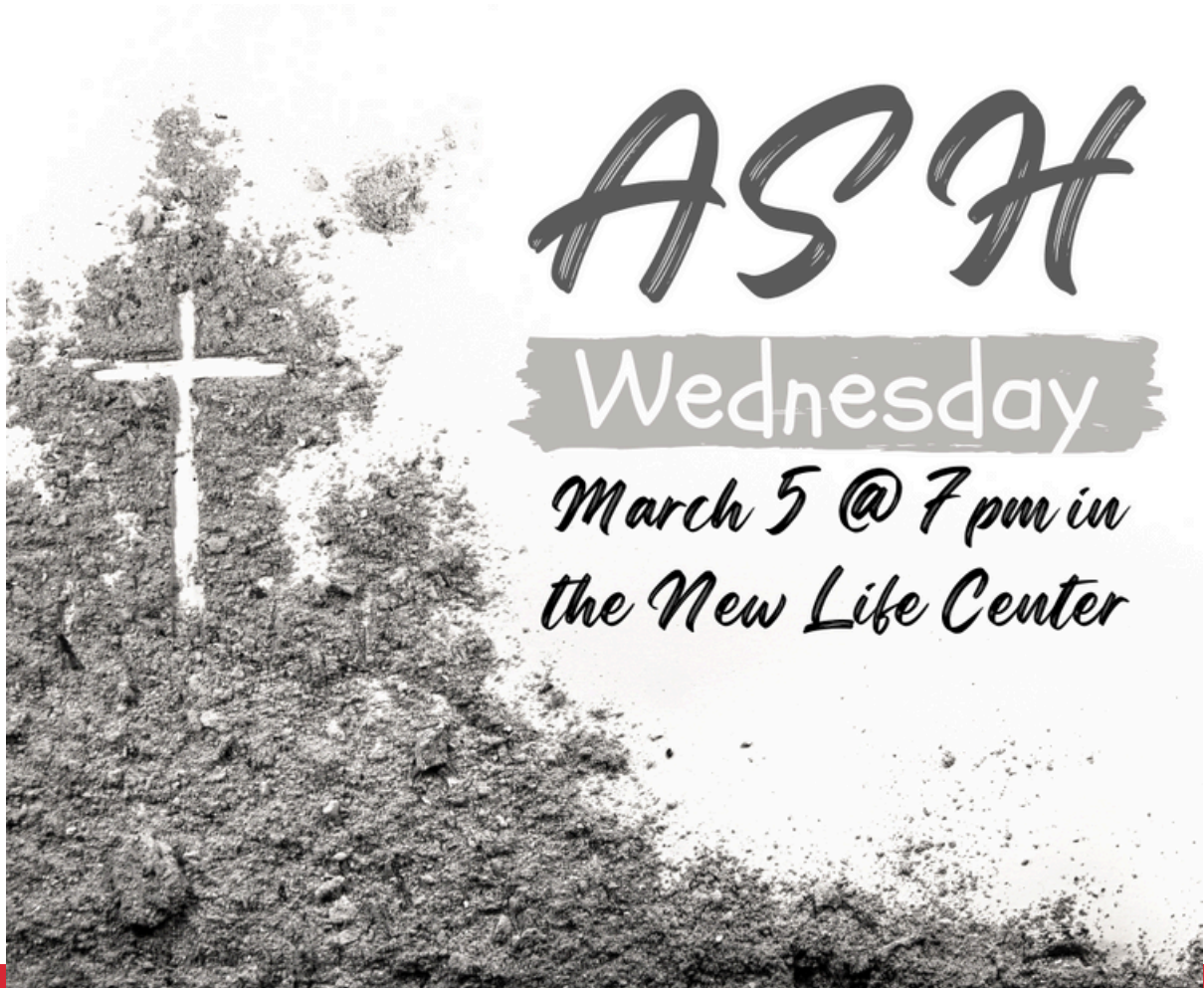
GROUP GUIDE

SERMON GUIDE

ALL ARE ENCOURAGED TO SIGN UP FOR AN INDIVIDUAL GUIDE TO FOLLOW A DAILY DEVOTION RELATED TO OUR WEEKLY SERMONS. WE WILL NOT HAVE WEEKLY GROUP STUDY GATHERINGS (UNLESS SOMEONE WOULD LIKE TO USE THE GROUP GUIDES. LET ALLI KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO.)

HERE IS THE LINK FOR INDIVIDUAL DEVOTIONALS:

[HTTPS://KATEBOWLER.COM/SEASONAL_DEVOTIONAL/THE-HARDEST-PART/?MC_CID=DAE14C5071&MC_EID=B2F7BC9F03#INDIVIDUAL](https://katebowler.com/seasonal_devotional/the-hardest-part/?MC_CID=DAE14C5071&MC_EID=B2F7BC9F03#INDIVIDUAL)



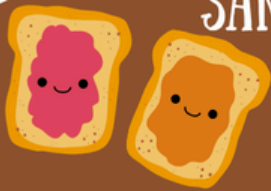


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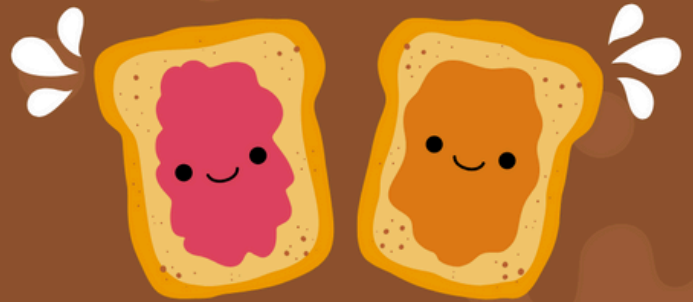
FRIENDLY FARE

DONATIONS NEEDED:

- BREAD, PEANUT BUTTER, & JELLY
- INDIVIDUAL BAGS OF SNACKS & GRANOLA BARS
- BROWN LUNCH SACKS, & ZIPLOCK SANDWICHES BAGGIES
- CASH DONATIONS



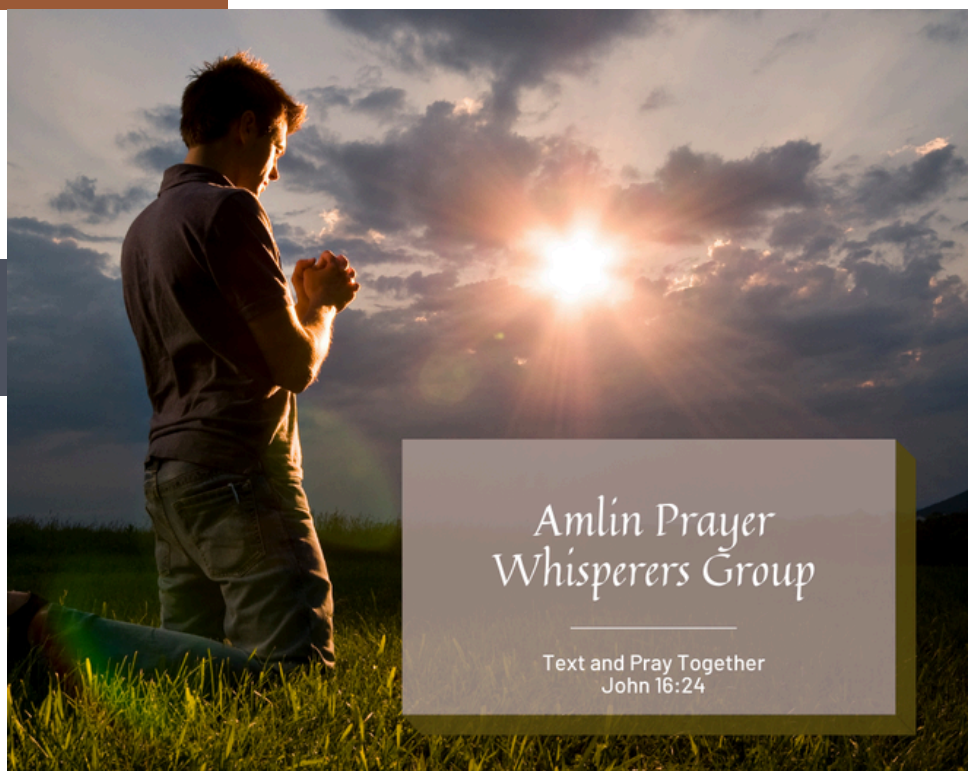
JOIN US IN THE CHAPEL ON
SUNDAYS AFTER CHURCH TO
PREPARE MEALS FOR
JORDAN'S CROSSING



FRIENDLY FARE

IN MISSION

TOGETHER



Amlín Prayer
Whisperers Group

Text and Pray Together
John 16:24



Gift Cards

Please consider donating gift cards to the students at Washington Elementary so they will be able to have food over spring break.



Meijer, Walmart, or Target preferred

New Year
New Plan

BUCKET O'BILLS SUNDAYS



Coin Free

**THIS MONTH WE WILL BE
COLLECTING GIFT CARDS
FOR THE STUDENTS AT
WASHINGTON
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR
THE SPRING BREAK.**

NCJ UMVIM YOUTH MISSION JOURNEY SCHEDULED FOR THE SUMMER OF 2025

The 2025 North Central Jurisdiction Volunteers in Mission and Disaster Response Team is planning a youth mission journey to Milwaukee, Wisconsin June 22-28, 2025!

The team will stay at Brown Deer UMC and engage in mission service in the area with Rooted and Rising, a Social Service Agency of the United Methodist Church founded in 1962, and Northcott House, a community agency.

To learn more about this upcoming journey, please click here to complete an interest form. To see a video from the 2024 youth mission journey, [click here](#).

**Let Pastor Liz know if you are
interested in more info.**



Maurice Clarett will speak at Powell United Methodist Church on Tuesday, April 8, at 7 pm. All are invited.

Clarett spent one year as a football star at The Ohio State University, made a series of bad choices and spent three and a half years as a resident of the Ohio Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. During his time inside one of ODRC's prisons he began to make different choices and found redemption through Jesus Christ. Since his release in 2010, he has been guided by his faith to let others know that it is never too late to change.

Your registration here is helpful but not essential <https://powell.breezechms.com/form/659c7c924472332741686883>

Maurice Clarett's visit is at the invitation of Powell UMC All In Community in recognition of Second Chance Month.

GATHERINGS AT AMLIN UMC

WITH FOOD & FUN

Ash Wednesday



Dinner for everyone in the NLC from 6-7pm and then an Ash Wednesday worship from 7-8pm.

3/5

Easter Egg Hunt

4/12

Join us for family fun with an egg hunt, the Easter Story, and exciting prizes.



Vacation Bible School



This week of bible stories, crafts, games, and music is the perfect way for your kiddos and their friends to learn about the joy and hope of Jesus.

6/8-12

Family Reunion

7/20

Join us for this special out door worship followed by an old fashioned church picnic.



Amlin Block Party



Bounce Houses, mini - golf, food trucks, crafts, and more. Don't miss this fun day for the whole family.

8/16

Trunk -or- Treat

10/26

Candy, games, and fun for the whole family



Thanksgiving Dinner



Stick around after worship in the NLC for a pot luck lunch. Celebrate and give thanks for the many blessings God has given us individually and as a church.

11/23



STATE OF THE CHURCH

JANUARY GIVING: \$11,810.87

BUDGET: \$15,114.00

FEBRUARY GIVING: \$14,819.33

BUDGET: \$15,114.00

*BUDGET IS THE AMOUNT THAT IS NEEDED

**PRESCHOOL TUITION IS INCLUDED

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

JANUARY: 24

FEBRUARY: 34



CALENDAR

3/5: ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE AT 7P IN THE
NLC

3/8: GAME NIGHT AT 7P IN THE NLC

3/16: WWS AT OTIE'S AT 1PM

3/24: LEADERSHIP BOARD MEETING AT 7P IN
THE NLC