

Getting Ahead Volunteer (Thursday Evenings)

Support program directors Lori Miller and Haley Trueblood.

Share a meal. Build relationships. Encourage participants as they reflect on poverty's impact, build personal resources, set SMART goals, improve communication skills, and work toward long-term stability.

Getting Ahead is a community that supports and challenges participants as they envision a better future for themselves and their families.

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DAILY DEVOTIONAL

Second Week in Lent: *Sunday*

Prayer: Dear God, I know that your definition of neighbor is bigger than mine. I tend to see those who look or speak like me as my neighbors. Help me to see as you do. Help me to see the children on the news, a world away, as my neighbors. Help me see those I disagree with as neighbors. Help me to see the world as you do. With hope I pray, amen.

When you hear the word “neighbor” what comes to mind?

Who do you picture?

Good news mantra: When I love my neighbor, I love God.

Daily Lenten Devotional Cards and a Devotional Booklet can be found on our website!

www.gobinchurch/devotionals



**great love for
God & neighbor**

Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2026

Please take the opportunity to fill out the Prayer and Gratitude Card, along with a Connection Card.

You'll be invited to place them in the offering tray later in the service.

ENTRANCE

Prelude

Jill Dombrowski

Welcome

Rev. Bryan Langdoc

Centering

Call to Worship

Eleanor Howard

Leader: Tell me something good!

People: God loves you more than you could imagine.

Leader: Tell me something good!

People: God loves all of creation more than you could imagine.

Leader: Tell me something good!

People: God's love meets us in this service of worship. We are not alone.

Leader: This is good news indeed!

People: Let us worship our compassionate God.

Opening Prayer

UMH #117

“O God Our Help in Ages Past”

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Matthew 25:35-40

After the Reading, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm



- Upright is the word of the Lord, and all his works are trustworthy. He loves justice and right; of the kindness of the Lord the earth is full.
- See, the eyes of the Lord are upon those who fear him, upon those who hope for his kindness, To deliver them from death and preserve them in spite of famine.
- Our soul waits for the Lord, who is our help and our shield. May your kindness, O Lord, be upon us who have put our hope in you.

Gospel Lesson

Luke 7:36-50

Pastor Joel Everson

Silence follows. Then the People stand as they are able.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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After the Gospel, the Pastor says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Bryan Langdoc

Prayers of the People

Pastor Jai Miranda

THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

Invitation

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, did we see you hungry and give you something to eat?

Did we see you thirsty and give you something to drink?

Did we see you alone and offer you compassion?

MISSION & SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Loving God by Loving Neighbor — Through Personal Relationship
At Gobin, we believe care is not abstract.

It is personal. It is relational. It is embodied presence.

Each of these opportunities reflects our commitment to walk alongside others — listening, encouraging, and building community.

Women’s Jail Ministry

Tuesday evenings at the Putnam County Jail

Spend time with women who are incarcerated — showing love, hearing stories, and simply being present.

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Gobin Advocates for PROP (Post Release Opportunities Program)

A partnership with Family Support Services

When women are released from incarceration, they need consistent support. Advocates assist with transportation (appointments, shopping), job applications, technology, community connections, and sometimes accompany them to worship.

Contact: Barbara Jackson

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Kids Hope Mentor

Make a difference in the life of a child.

Kids Hope USA matches one child with one mentor for one hour each week during the school day. Gobin mentors partner with students at Deer Meadow Primary School and Tzouanakis Intermediate School.

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CONGREGATIONAL CARE

If you or someone you know is ill, injured, or otherwise in need of prayer or visitation, please fill out a prayer card, or let the pastoral staff or church office know. Jai will work to keep us connected.

Here are members of our Gobin connection who need prayer & comfort at this time:

Margot MacCracken, Brandie Sitton, Andrea Insley, Ashlee Vitz, Sandy Miller, Katie Isaacs-Bailey, Jim & Windy Watt, Luke & Sherry DeJaynes, Larry Rider, Ann Hansen, Marcia Linville, Matt Fruits, Heather Cantonwine, Kids Hope mentors & students, Valyrian residents, residents of the Putnam Co. Jail, Kyan, Vivi, Treasure, Yun Ling, Ajaypal Singh and all ICE detainees in the Clay Co Detention Center

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please fill out a prayer request card or send an email to prayers@gobinumc.org

PASTOR BRYAN'S SOLIDARITY VISIT TO PALESTINE

(MARCH 6-16)

Pastor Bryan will travel to Palestine at the invitation of Christian partners connected to Friends of Sabeel North America and United Methodists for Kairos Response. This visit is a prayerful act of solidarity with Palestinian and Israeli peacemakers working for justice, dignity, and nonviolence.

Bryan goes as a witness — to listen, to learn, and to strengthen relationships with those living in the midst of ongoing conflict. Please hold Bryan, Maureen, and their children in your prayers during this time of travel. He looks forward to sharing reflections upon his return.

For more info: <https://www.fosna.org/delegations>

Or did we cross the street?

Did we avert our eyes?

Did we come up with every excuse in the book?

God, we long to be people who love our neighbors
with the same overwhelming love that you have for them.

But we must admit, we have a long way to go.

Forgive us for the times when we let bias, scarcity, or fear
get in the way of love. Wash us clean and give us the courage to try again.

With hope for a better tomorrow we pray, amen.

Words of Forgiveness

We are seen.

We are forgiven.

We are invited to try again.

Thanks be to God for this unending love.

Passing the Peace

Offering

Offertory

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God, above ye Heavenly Host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Offering Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

UMH #385 "Let Us Plead for Faith Alone" Gobin Grace Notes

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.

Grant that we may go into the world
in the strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Song "I Come With My Devotion" *Insert*

SENDING FORTH

Charge

Benediction

Postlude

Jill Dombrowski

LENTEN DATES TO REMEMBER

More info to come!

Wednesdays during Lent:

February 25, March 4, March 11, March 18, March 25

7:45 AM: Weekly Prayer (pray where you are)

6:30 PM: Taize Service @ Gobin

Service of Lament and Remembrance:

March 15, 7:00 PM @ St. Andrew's

Holy Week:

Wednesday (*April 1*): Tenebrae Service @ St. Andrew's

Maundy Thursday (*April 2*): 7:00 PM at St. Andrew's

Good Friday (*April 3*): 6:00 PM at Gobin

Holy Saturday (*April 4*): 8:30 PM Starts at Gobin, ends at St. Andrew's

Easter Sunday (*April 5*): 10:00 AM at Gobin

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Beginnings Service: 9:30AM

The Interlude: 10:30 AM

Mosaic Service: 11:00 AM

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