

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Sunday, March 30, 2025

Gathering Music

Doug Madow

Welcome/Announcements

Pastor Amy Jo

- Sign-Up Sheet for reading Scripture
- Book Study at Hope Church on parables, Monday at 10:00 a.m.
- Rule of Christ Training, Monday, April 7, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

*Call to Worship (from Psalm 103)

Bless the Lord, O my soul

And all that is within me bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul

And do not forget all his benefits—

Who forgives all your iniquity

Who satisfies you with good as long as you live, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

*Invocation

*Special Music: "The Promised One"

Choir

Scripture Reading: Exodus 20:8-11

Deb Jindra-Pope

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁰ But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. ¹¹ For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and consecrated it.

Children's Message: A Prayer for Loving Hands

Scripture Reading: Luke 13:10-17

Deb Jundra-Pope

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. ¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw

her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” ¹³ When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day.”¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water?” ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?” ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

Hymn	“There is a Balm in Gilead”	#375,UMH
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Message	Compassion and Healing	Pastor Amy Jo
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Hymn	“Jesus’ Hands Were Kind Hands”	#273, UMH
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Celebration of Generosity: UMCOR Sunday

Offertory

*Doxology	#95, UMH
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*Offering Prayer

Community Prayer:

Our prayer is simple:

May we choose love, Lord.

May we choose love when faced with retaliation,

Love when tempted by deception,

Love when addressing poverty,

Love when speaking to our neighbors,

Love when lured by bad choices,

Love when electing leaders.

In all the things we do in all the words we say,

and in all the places we go,

May we always choose love. Amen.

- Ciona D. Rouse

Prayers of the People

Breath Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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.

*Hymn "This is a Day of New Beginnings" #383, v. 1,2&3, UMH

*Benediction

May the blessing of God, fountain of living water,
Flow within us as a river of life.
May we drink deep of her wisdom.
May we never thirst again.
May we go through life refreshing many,
As a sign of healing for all;
Through the One who is Life eternal. Amen.

Postlude

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****Please join us after worship in the annex for a time of fellowship.****

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Pastor Amy Jo's cell phone 507-341-1760

Church Calendar Of Events

Sun. Mar. 30	9am Worship- UMCOR Sunday
Mon. Mar. 31	7pm Lakelanders
Wed. Apr. 2	1pm-3pm Spiritual Direction Group w/ Ruth
Thurs. Apr. 3	6:30pm Trustees in Parlor
Thurs. Apr. 3	7pm OP23-0 in Library
Sat. Apr. 5	10am-12pm Jesus Food, Farbo Mall
Sun. Apr. 6	9am Worship- Communion

Community Announcements

Giving Report

Mar. 16	\$2,203.00- Noisy Offering \$110.44
Mar. 23	\$ 771.00- Noisy Offering \$

Lenten 2025 SOUP-erb Update!

Week 1: 295 quarts sold	\$3,043 in sales
Week 2: 299 quarts sold	\$3,027 in sales
Week 3: 363 quarts sold	\$3,608 in sales
Total: 957 quarts sold	\$9,678 in sales
Cash Donations to date:	\$1,600
Expenses:	\$2,031
Profit for Lenten 2025 Soup to Go	\$9,247

This was a HUGE team accomplishment, friends; and all of YOU helped make it happen. Sincere thanks to everyone who touched this project in some way. Every dollar given, every food item donated, every prayer offered, every carrot chopped, and every soup kettle stirred helped us achieve our goal. Thank you for believing in this project and coming together to make it a success!

With much joy and gratitude,
Sara DuChene-Boyd