

A heart-shaped quilt made of various red and white patterned fabric squares is centered on a dark purple background. A white cross is superimposed on the right side of the heart. The text "With Our Whole Heart" is written in a white, cursive font across the heart.

*With
Our
Whole
Heart*

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 23, 2025

CHARLTON CHURCH
A United Methodist Community
Where Faith Meets Life

† Standing, as able.

We continue to light a Candle of Peace,
praying for people around the world
who live in the midst of violence, war, and unrest.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

With our whole heart, we praise You, Lord.
With our whole heart, we worship You.
May Your holy Word convict us to follow Your way.
With our whole heart, we serve You, Lord.

† **UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

For the times we have we turned our back on You, we
pray: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the times we have allowed the noise of the world to
drown out Your voice calling to us, we pray: Christ, have
mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

For the times we have failed to heed Your call, we pray:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

**From the depth of our heart, we cry to You, O Lord.
Hear our voices as we come before You this day.
Listen to Your children as we seek your blessing.**

We give thanks that You are not a God who keeps a record of our wrongdoings to keep us in line; for we would never be worthy of your forgiveness.

We give thanks that You are a God of second chances, always ready and willing to embrace us when we turn back to You.

And so we come before You, trusting in Your goodness and mercy, Your compassion and forgiveness.

This we pray in Your holy name. Amen.

† WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND GRACE

We worship a God who loves and forgive us,
and asks that we do the same.
So let us give thanks we are a forgiven people,
and remember that we are called
to love and forgive others.
Thanks be to God.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 55:1-9

THE PSALM

Psalm 63, selected verses

EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

MESSAGE

Pastor Miguel

† RESPONSE

“Grace Medley”

“Grace Greater Than Our Sin”
Julia Johnston | Daniel Towner

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,
grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt!
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured,
there where the blood of the Lamb was split.
Grace, grace, God's grace,
grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
grace, grace, God's grace,
grace that is greater than all our sin!

“Amazing Grace”
John Newton

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.

“And Can It Be?”
Charles Wesley | Thomas Campbell

And can it be that I should gain
an interest in the Savior's blood!
Died he for me? who caused his pain!
For me? who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
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† PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Response: Lord, in your mercy;
hear our prayer.

† PRAYER RESPONSE

I need Thee, oh, I need Thee; every hour I need Thee.
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE INVITATION

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 God, it is right and good to give our thanks and praise. Holy are You and blessed is Your Son Jesus Christ. His life was a witness to us of what it means to love You with all our heart, and mind, and soul, and strength; and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

With our whole heart, we give thanks for all of the blessings You shower upon us day after day, and offer to You the gifts of our time, talent, and treasure.

Holy God, with our whole heart we offer You all that we have and all that we are. Bless the gift of our time that we may be a blessing to others. Use our talents and skills to build up a community of faith. Use our tithes and offerings to make a difference in the lives of those who are in need of Your love, mercy, and compassion.

Just as he gathered with those who followed him to share a holy meal, so we too gather this morning. We remember how he washed their feet in an act of servanthood, and then encouraged them to remember him every time they shared the holy meal. We still hear his call to “do this in remembrance of me”, as we share this bread and cup as we recall the sacrifice he made for the forgiveness of our sins.

Pour out Your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and cup, that we may be nourished and strengthened to be the heart and hands of Christ in the world today. In Your holy name we pray. **Amen.**

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

*You may leave your offering in the basket
as you come forward to receive communion.*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

† PARTING HYMN

“Victory in Jesus” (#370)

Eugene M Bartlett

I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory,
how he gave his life on Calvary to save a wretch like me;
I heard about his groaning,
of his precious blood's atoning,
then I repented of my sins and won the victory.

REFRAIN

O victory in Jesus, my Savior forever!
He sought me and bought me with his redeeming blood;
he loved me ere I knew him, and all my love is due him;
he plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood.

I heard about his healing,
of his cleansing power revealing,
how he made the lame to walk again
and caused the blind to see;
and then I cried, "Dear Jesus,
come and heal my broken spirit,"
and somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory.

I heard about a mansion he has built for me in glory,
and I heard about the streets of gold
beyond the crystal sea;
about the angels singing and the old redemption story,
and some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory.

† PARTING LITANY

O sisters, who love the Lord your God with your whole heart, to whom will you turn and serve in faith?

**We will turn to the Bread of Life
and all who faint from hunger!**

O brothers, who love the Lord your God with your whole heart, to whom will you turn and serve in faith?

**We will turn to the Prince of Peace
and all who long for justice!**

O Disciples, who love the Lord your God with your whole heart, to whom will you turn and serve in faith?

**We will turn to the Lord of lords
and all who search for truth!**

† BENEDICTION

† RESPONSE

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CHARLTON CHURCH: *Where Faith Meets Life*

WELCOME

We're glad that you are with us for worship today. Whatever your circumstances, no matter where you've been or what's happened in your life, you are welcome here!

PROUD TO BE UMC

Charlton Church is a family of faith that values the diversity of thought that is an intrinsic part of The United Methodist Church. You can read our full statement on our website, at www.charltonchurch.org/umc.

CONNECT WITH US

Be sure to fill out your Connection Card today and place it in the offering plate. This is the best way for our members and friends to stay connected with the ministry and mission of Charlton Church.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME

Charlton Church is a 'Safe Sanctuary', with procedures in place for the safety of all children and youth. A nursery is available during the worship service and is located at the end of the hallway opposite the sanctuary. KIDs Club, for children age 3 thru grade 5, meets during the 9:00 am discipleship hour.

SHARING IS NOT ALWAYS CARING

We have learned much through the pandemic and should do our best not to get complacent in our actions! Please remember to observe social distancing whenever possible. If you do not feel well, please stay home. If you have health concerns, there is a designated area at the rear of the sanctuary in the parlor, where you can be seated for our worship service. Please reserve this area for persons with health concerns. Thank you for your cooperation as we care for one another.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE AT CHARLTON

Sun, Mar 23	9:00 am	Discipleship Hour
	10:00 am	Charlton Worship Service
Mon, Mar 24	8:00 am	Egg Making
	10:30 am	Chair Yoga
Tue, Mar 25	10:00 am	Bible Study
	1:00 pm	God's Hands
Wed, Mar 26	10:30 am	Chair Yoga
	12:00 pm	Lenten Lunch
Thu, Mar 27	10:30 am	Cardio / Strength Class
	12:00 pm	Meet n Eat
Fri, Mar 28	10:30 am	Chair Yoga
Sat, Mar 29	11am-3pm	Soup Fundraiser for Charlton

WORSHIP INFO

SERMON SERIES

Our Lenten sermon series is entitled "With All Our Heart", as we consider how we can respond to God for all our blessings.

POP-UP ART GALLERY

If you like to be creative, we invite you to use your talents to make a heart to place in our lobby for a pop-up art gallery.

GROWTH INFO

BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR MIGUEL

Pastor Miguel invites you to join him for Bible study, held Tuesdays at 10:00 am in the parlor.

WHEN FAITH MEETS LIFE IN DIFFICULT CONVERSATIONS

The Gathering class invites you to join them as they tackle some difficult conversations this Lenten season. The class meets in the parlor on Sunday mornings at 9 am. The topic of discussion on March 30 will be "separation of church and state".

MISSION INFO

GIVING GRACE COLLECTION

We are collecting shampoo for our monthly outreach distribution. We continue to collect 2 lb. bags of rice for Helping Hands.

MISSION OFFERING

The mission offering for March supports the work of the United Methodist Committee on Relief. UMCOR is usually one of the first relief agencies on the ground in times of disaster.

FELLOWSHIP INFO

FELLOWSHIP THURSDAYS

Be sure to sign up for our Fellowship Thursday events on your Connection Card, or by calling the church office.

MISCELLANEOUS INFO

EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA

Our annual Easter EGGstravaganza will be held on Saturday, April 12 at 10:00 am. Please register your children at www.CharltonChurch.org/kids. You can sign up to help on today's Connection Card.

EASTER FLOWER ORDERS

Be sure to place your Easter flower order on the envelope provided in the bulletin or available on the bulletin table.

HELP NEEDED

We would like to create a team to investigate and make a plan for our future HVAC needs. If you have experience with this type of work and would be willing to be part of this team, please contact the church office.

Last Week's Prayer Requests

PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

Praise for Don Mease, Fred Bretz, Susan Hicks, Peggy Hummel, Brian, Craig, Susie, Zoey

ONGOING:

John Arnold, Carol Brown, Larry and Tina Caines, Dot Dunkle, Diny Mantz, Joy Morris, Cheryl Rhodes;

WEEK 2:

Elaine Hicks, Brosius family, Engle family, Dennis Johnson, Susie Seeds, Margaret Stouffer family;

WEEK 3:

Family of Doris Schory, Paul Fatula, Kristin, Pat Trexler;

WEEK 4:

Melanie, Jay Miller, all those losing employment.

WE CONTINUALLY PRAY FOR:

- Charlton Church, staff, and Leadership Council.
- The United Methodist Church.
- Bishop Hector A. Burgos-Nunez.
- Superintendent Rev. Dr. Gary Weaver.
- Our World Vision families:
Dieulene in Haiti and Narek in Armenia.
- The people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel and Palestine.
- The leaders of all nations, that peace may be our common goal.

***“The prayer of the righteous
is powerful and effective.”***

James 5:16



Stewardship Report for March 16, 2025

Worship Attendance: 87

General Fund: \$ 4,439.29

Facility Maintenance: \$ 35.00

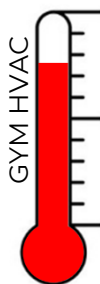
Missions: \$ 10.00

GYM HVAC REPLACEMENT

HVAC/installation \$ 27,046.00

Received 3/9/25 \$ 22,250.00

Received 3/16/25 \$ 120.00



ONLINE GIVING

We highly encourage persons to sign up for secure online giving through our website. Online giving allows you to support the general fund as well as our missions and debt reduction. Online giving also ensures that your offerings are made ... even when you can't make it to church. Sign up today at www.CharltonChurch.org/give

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

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