

March 12, 2023
FAIRVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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Third Sunday in Lent

March 12, 2023

11:00 A.M.

*Please rise as you are able or in your hearts.

PRELUDE “Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley” -arr. Sandra Eithun
Chancel Bells, Piano- Michele Delduca

WELCOME AND WORDS OF COMMUNITY

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

LEADER: When we hunger

PEOPLE: We cry to the Lord, “Help us, O Lord.”

LEADER: When we thirst

PEOPLE: We cry to the Lord, “Help us, O Lord.”

LEADER: God who created the heavens and the earth hears our cries.

PEOPLE: Lord, come and quench our thirst and heal our hunger.

AMEN.

***GATHERING HYMN**

“To God be the Glory”

UMH # 98

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

“A Lenten Creed” (The Order of Saint Columba)

We believe that our lives are held within the encircling love of God, who knows our names and recognizes our deepest needs. We believe that Christ is the divine Child of the living God, and that his grace is like living waters that can never be exhausted. We believe in the birthing, renewing, enabling Spirit of God who yearns over our welfare as a mother yearns for her child. We believe that God is in the arid desert as well as in green pastures, and that hard times and disciplines are also loving gifts. We believe that our journey has a purpose and a destination and that our path leads to a human glory we cannot yet imagine. We

believe that in the church we are fellow pilgrims on the road and that we are called to love one another as God loves us. This is our faith and we are humbled to profess in Jesus the Christ. AMEN.

***GLORIA PATRI**

“Glory Be to the Father”

UMH # 70

CHOIR ANTHEM

“Gift of Grace”

Lee Dengler

Chancel Choir, Flute Amanda Grear

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

PRAYER CHORUS

“Jesus, Draw Me Close”

TFWS # 2159

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: God of living waters, we confess that we have often turned from you and wandered in our own wildernesses of fear and doubt. Our thirst mounts daily, seeking to be quenched by your redeeming love. Yet, when that love is offered to us, we again turn away, unable to truly believe that you would actually heal and love us. We have behaved in very unloving ways. We have chosen to ignore those in need or to deal only passively with them. Our hearts are not placed in service to others, but rather in self-serving motives. Heal us, merciful God. Wash us again in the living water. Help us be faithful servants. AMEN.

PRAYERS OF PETITION

After each petition, we enter into the prayer together with these words:

PASTOR: Lord in Your mercy,

PEOPLE: Hear our 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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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.

ACTIVITIES - MARCH 13 - MARCH 19

Monday, March 13

Pantry 9:00 A.M.

Wednesday, March 15

Renewal Hour 3:30 P.M.

Fairview service at St. Paul 6:00 P.M.

Thursday, March 16

Bell Group 3 6:30 P.M.

Chancel Choir 7:15 P.M.

Friday, March 17

Pantry 9:00 A.M.

Saturday, March 18

Strategic Planning 10:00 A.M.

Sunday, March 19

Sunday School 9:45 A.M.

Worship Service 11:00 A.M.

Pastor

Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL

Administrative Assistant

Carol McDougle

Director of Music

Carol Chatfield

Church Musician

Michele Delduca

Treasurer

Fred Poland

Audio Visual Technician

Roger Christian

Toddler Room Attendant

Brooklyn Messer

Building Maintenance

Nelson Clair

TODAY'S SERVANT LEADERS

Worship Leader

Cecelia Long

Greeter

Wayne Hounshell

Trustee

Dave Puderbaugh

Toddler Room Assistant

Jackie Mergler

VAN DRIVER FOR MARCH 19

Van Request:

Art-- 937- 279-0650 To ride the van you must make your request the day before or you will not be picked up!

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Psalms 23

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayer ministry after worship each Sunday. See Joyce Barrier if interested.

MASK POLICY

Masking Recommended by the Trustees



