

Fairview United Methodist Church  
Second Sunday in Lent

March 16, 2025

11:00 a.m.

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

\*\*Let us take this time to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for worship.

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**\*\*PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND INVITATION**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: God, our light and our salvation, calls us to worship.

**People: We gather in faith, confidence, and praise.**

Leader: Come; seek the face of God.

**People: God's face shines upon us with grace and love.**

Leader: Be strong, my friends, for God is here.

**People: Thanks be to God for this wonderful gift.**

**ALL: AMEN.**

**\*GATHERING HYMN**

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

UMH # 127

**\*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**      "It Is Well with My Soul"      by John Ness Beck

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH**

**PRAYER CHORUS**      “Lead Me, Guide Me”      TFWS # 2214

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**ALL: Mothering God, we often feel scattered and lost,  
separated from you and from one another.**

**Gather us in.**

**Comfort us in our loneliness.**

**Dispel our fears.**

**Correct our wayward feet and strengthen our faith,  
that we might hear your voice, trust your promises,  
and stand firm in your ways.**

**In your light and love, we pray. 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**

**\*HYMN OF PROCLAMATION**      “Guide My Feet”      TFWS # 2208

**\*SCRIPTURE LESSON**      Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

**SERMON**      *Faith in the Waiting*      Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL

**OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY**      “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”      UMH # 95

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**\*SENDING HYMN**      “O Jesus, I Have Promised”      UMH # 396

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

## **ACTIVITIES - MAR. 17 - MAR. 23**

### **Monday, March 17**

Pantry - 9:00 A.M.

### **Wednesday, March 19**

Pantry Delivery Truck Time 11:00 A.M.

Pantry 6:00 P.M.

### **Thursday, March 20**

Chancel Bells 6:30 P.M.

Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:15 P.M.

### **Friday, March 21**

Pantry 9:00 A.M.

### **Sunday, March 23**

Adult Sunday School 9:45 A.M.

Worship Service 11:00 A.M.

## **TODAY'S SERVANT LEADERS**

### **Worship Leader**

Fred Poland

### **Greeter**

Shirley McBride

### **Trustee**

Fred Poland

### **Childcare Assistant**

Cecelia Long

## **VAN DRIVER FOR MARCH 23**

**Van Request: Greg-- 937- 620-1472**

To ride the van, you must make your request the day before or you will not be picked up!

## **LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK**

[Isaiah 55:1-9](#), [Psalm 63:1-8](#), [1 Corinthians 10:1-13](#), [Luke 13:1-9](#)

## **PRAYER MINISTRY**

Prayer ministry after worship each Sunday.

For those who have special prayer requests, please see someone from the Prayer Ministry in the Narthex.

## **PANTRY FOOD TRUCK DELIVERY**

Pantry food truck delivery Wednesday March 19, 11:00 A.M. Please volunteer to help unload & restock.

## **DEEPEST SYMPATHY**

The members of Fairview UMC express our deepest sympathy to Alvie Gaiser, Pastor Neil and the Gaiser family in the passing of Alvie's mother in the Philippines. May God be with you during this difficult time.

**Pastor Neil will be out of office March 17 - April 6. In case of an emergency please contact the church office. Admin.**

**Assistant Office Hours:**

Mon. - Fri. 9:00 - 1:00 pm

## **Church Staff**

### **Pastor**

Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL

### **Administrative Assistant**

Carol McDougale

### **Director of Music**

Michelle Forshaw

### **Church Musician**

Michele Delduca

### **Treasurer**

Fred Poland

### **Pantry Resource**

### **Coordinator**

Donna McCoy

### **Audio Visual Technician**

Roger Christian

### **Toddler Room Attendant**

Oscar Ndayisaba

### **Church Custodian**

Vance Garner

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