

Worship
Sunday, March 8, 2026
3rd Sunday in Lent

Prelude

Welcome

Responsive Call to Worship

If you need good news,

settle into this space. We have good news to share.

If you need a word of hope,

then trust us when we say, there is hope enough to go around.

If you need a glimmer of joy,

then you're in luck! We have resilient joy abounding.

If you need to feel God's presence in your midst,

then know that this is God's house.

This is the good news of the gospel.

God is here. Love is real. Joy is on the move.

Let us worship our with-us God!

Opening Hymn: *Human Minds Just Can't Imagine*

(tune Haydn Austrian Hymn)

[Good News devotional Lent 3]

Invitation to Confession:

Prayer of Confession:

Holy God, with you the impossible is possible. 5,000 can be fed. The blind can see. The hopeless can find hope. With you the impossible is possible, but we are quick to forget that. We look at our hurting world and tell ourselves that nothing can be done. We forget that you empowered the disciples to feed the crowd. We forget that you are always with us. Forgive our small-minded ways. Forgive us for doubting that change could ever come. But even more so, forgive us when we refuse to be a part of it. With hope for a better tomorrow we pray, Amen.

Words of Forgiveness:

Passing the Peace

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: *Break Thou the Bread of Life*

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Prayer for Illumination:

Holy God, we could press our ear to the page, hoping to hear you more clearly. We could silence all the alarms and notifications, hoping to catch a murmur of your voice. We could still our beating hearts, and still we might miss your voice. So today we pray, open up space in our hearts, in our spirits, in our minds, to feel your presence among us. With you, anything is possible. We believe. Help our unbelief. Amen.

Scripture: Mark 6:32-44 NRSVue; Ephesians 3:20-21 NRSVue

(reader) *The Word of the Lord!*

(All) Thanks be to God!

Message: *The Good News is...Together the Impossible is Possible*

Rev. David Nieda

Hymn of Response: *The Church of Christ in Every Age*

UMH 589

Invitation to Offering

Offertory:

Doxology – Hymn 94

Offertory Prayer

Opportunities Coming Soon! (Announcements)

Blessing (Benediction)

Closing Song: *Together We Serve*

TFWS 2175

***Please join us for the coffee fellowship
after the worship service!***

Our Staff:

*Pastor: Rev. Kim Poer
Office Administrator: Nancy Volgamore
Music Director: Matthew Compton
Accompanist: Josh Billings
Family Ministries: Tiffiney Nordby
Preschool Director: Ashley Skelton
Youth Ministries: Lacey Kelley*

TODAY'S SERVANTS:

*Guest Pastor: David Nieda
Worship Leader: Lila DeBolt
Reader: Monica Tanner
Greeters: Pam Copeland & Faye Wells
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*We are a welcoming United Methodist Church congregation that
worships together as disciples of Jesus Christ,
uniting in fellowship, missions and service.*