

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

March 5th, 2023

“2nd SUNDAY IN LENT”

Liturgical Color – Purple



DALLAS

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

TODAY'S CENTERING MEDITATION

*“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son,
that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.
For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world,
but to save the world through him.”*

~ John 3:16-17

* Please stand in stature or in heart as you are able.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, all who need help!
**Our help comes from God,
the one who made heaven and earth.**
Come, all who desire blessing!
**Our blessing comes from God,
the God of Abraham, the God of the ages.**
Come, all who long for salvation!
**Our salvation comes from Jesus Christ,
the one sent by God to save the world.**

* *Jesus Loves Me*

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* *O How He Loves You and Me*

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* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

The Apostles' Creed, Ecumenical Version

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

** Glory Be to the Father*

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TIME OF PRAYER / THE LORD'S PRAYER / THREE-FOLD AMEN

(from the ritual of the former Methodist Church)

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.

CHILDREN'S CHAT

SPECIAL SELECTION

Choir

GOD'S WORD FOR US:

John 3:16-17

(The Liturgist says: "This is the Word of God for ALL people" ... AND ... the People respond: "Thanks BE to God")

TODAY'S MESSAGE: **"GOD'S OFFER REQUIRES A CONTINUING RESPONSE"**

INVITATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of salvation,
you shower our lives and our world with love,
yet we too often turn away from your blessing.**

It is just so easy to complain!

**There are little annoyances each day,
but they pile up into a mountainous burden
that becomes a curse on our lives.**

Free us from our unwise choices, O God.

**When we are distracted and confused,
redirect our attention to the abundant opportunities
to experience your love.**

**During this Lenten journey, focus our hearts on you,
that we may choose the blessing of salvation
offered us each day through Jesus Christ,
in whom we pray. Amen.**

WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

Fill My Cup, Lord

641 (twice)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(insert)

BREAKING THE BREAD

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

** Because He Lives*

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** BENEDICTION*

** Freely, Freely*

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INFORMATION FOR YOU

FREE UPPER ROOM DEVOTIONALS FOR MARCH /APRIL ... are available on the Information Table in the Prayer Room. Take one for yourself and one to give away to someone.

SPRING 2023 SWB DISTRICT LAY ACADEMY CLASSES

All four classes offered will be by ZOOM this Spring. Registration link for classes ... <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/layacademy>

GOD'S CALL EVENT ... You are invited to join us on ZOOM Saturday, March 19th, from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM as we explore various pastoral ministry paths and seek the next steps in God's call for you. Feeling a nudge toward ministry? Sensing a call to lead? Spend the morning with us, in the comfort of your own home, as we learn more about ministry avenues in the UMC, hear stories from others, and gain insights through a special leadership training. Contact Pastor Dave by March 13th for a registration form.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP ... if you are considering becoming a “professing member” of Dallas United Methodist Church and have questions, please contact the church office or Pastor Dave.

QUILTING GROUP # 1 ... Tuesdays ... 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM ... This group meets in the Wesley Room making “ugly sleeping bags” for MY BROTHERS KEEPER MINISTRIES. For more information please contact Judy Donlin (570-675-2693).

CHOIR PRACTICE ... Sundays at 9:30 AM. New members welcome!

HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSALS ... Sundays at 8:45 AM. New members welcome!

CHURCH LEADERSHIP COUNCIL ... will meet Thursday, March 23rd, at 7:00 PM in the Memorial Lounge. Reports are due to the church office by Thursday, January 16th, in order to printed and ready for distribution Sunday, March 19th.

NEEDED ... WORSHIP GREETERS / WORSHIP BULLETIN SPONSORS / ALTAR FLOWER SPONSORS ... We have sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in our entrance hallway for these needs. Please consider helping with any or all of these.

BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY CALENDAR ... We have a calendar on the bulletin board in our entrance hallway for you to mark down your BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY.

GRIEF SHARE ... Information for this important program being hosted at Shavertown UMC is available on our bulletin board in our entrance hallway

[CANDY EASTER EGGS ... Alderson United Methodist Church is making and selling homemade EASTER EGGS. Flavors are cream, peanut butter, and coconut. The cost is \\$1.00 each. They are taking pre-orders from February 19th until March 12th. You can order by calling \(570\) 639-5401.](#) Please leave a message with your name, your phone number, and the number of eggs (by flavor) you want.

Eggs can be picked up at the church on these dates ... Saturday, April 1st from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM ... Monday, April 3rd from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM ... Wednesday, April 5th from 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM.

[PASTIE SALE ... Information for Lehman-Idetown UMC's March PASTIE SALE is on](#) bulletin board in our entrance hallway.