

First United Methodist Church

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March 17, 2024 — March 23, 2024

"Fifth Sunday in Lent"

Usher/Greeter: Carol Hollenbeck Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin
Liturgist: Janet Helmbold Children's Worship: Natalie G./Connie Kelsey
Altar Flowers: Needed Fellowship: Connie & Dan Kelsey
Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: UMCOR Relief

Monday (3/18) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM
Tuesday (3/19) Ad Council 10 AM
Wednesday (3/20) Lenten Soup & Devotion 5:30 PM
Thursday (3/21)
Friday (3/22)
Saturday (3/23) UWif Reflection Breakfast 10 AM

March 24, 2024 — March 31, 2024

"Palm Sunday" "Holy Week"

Usher/Greeter: Needed Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin
Liturgist: Louise Burson Children's Worship: Natalie G./Needed
Altar Flowers: Needed Fellowship: Char Crosby
Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: UMCOR Relief

Monday (3/25) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM
Tuesday (3/26)
Wednesday (3/27) Lenten Soup & Devotion 5:30 PM
Thursday (3/28)
Friday (3/29)

Lectionary Calendar—Bible Study

3/17/24 Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:1-12; Heb 5:5-10; John 12:20-33

3/24/34 Palms— Mark 11:1-11; Ps 118:1-2, 19-29/Passion—Isa 50:4-9a; Ps 31:9-16; Phil 2:5-11; Mark 14:1-15:1-47



Let us please keep the following people in our prayers: Phyllis Burge, Mary Whinnen, Barbara Schneider, Carolyn Williams, Curt & Celie Norton, Ted Burson, Bette Jahn and family, Carol Weinert, Joel Prater, Jo Nell Rubick, Sharon V. & Celie N.'s brother, Lynn LaRose, Connie Meade, Katie Putnam, Mary Prater, Michael Haynes, Martha Weeks, Penny Tracy & her family health concerns (Fran), Kerry Billings family health concerns, Connie Whitsitt, Catherine Koch, and the unspoken needs.



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**"WE EXIST TO JOYFULLY SHARE GOD'S LOVE,
PREACH THE GOOD NEWS AND MAKE DISCIPLES."**



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“Fifth Sunday in Lent”



WORSHIP 11AM

PRELUDE: Consecration by B. Glycannon

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER—INVOCATION

PSALM 51:1-12

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

***PRAISE CHORUS:** FWS 2150 Lord, Be Glorified

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

L: Jesus said to His followers that whoever serves Him must follow Him, and that wherever He is, there is His servant also. Do we serve Him? Do we follow Him?

P: We try to serve Him, through our works, our prayers, and our financial support for His church. We also try to follow, but sometimes the path is too long and too rough for us.

L: Jesus also said, “Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life.” Do we love our lives?

P: This is a hard saying for us. Why should we hate our lives? God gave them to us!

L: If we cling to our lives as they are, we will be unable to give of ourselves for others, or for the work God has for us. If we turn them over to Him to use as He will, we will find our real lives, the ones for which He created us. We will also find that our contentment and peace will increase.

P: O God, remind us that Jesus also told us to take up His yoke, for His burden is light, as He shares it with us. Give us also the desire to turn our lives and our wills over to You, to use as You would.

***OPENING HYMN:** UMH 398 Jesus Calls Us

***APOSTLES’ CREED:** UMH 881

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN’S TIME

***HYMN OF PREPARATION:** UMH 338

Where He Leads Me

***GOSPEL READING:** John 12:20-33

SERMON The Secret To Life

PRAYER TIME Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

PRAYER HYMN: Hear Our Prayer, O Lord,
 Hear Our Prayer, O Lord,
 Incline Thine ear to us,
 And grant us Thy peace. (2x)
 Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY: Gentle Shepherd by W. Gaither

***DOXOLOGY:** UMH 95 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

FAVORITE HYMN Congregation Choice

***CLOSING HYMN:** UMH 396 O Jesus, I Have Promised

***BENEDICTION**

***PARTING HYMN:** UMH 671 Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

POSTLUDE: March Heroique by Wm. Stickles

March Mission Noisy Offering — UMCOR Relief
 This collection will be used to assist those in need of disaster relief around the world!
 God is working through us. Thank you for your support!

* DENOTES CONGREGATION STANDING (AS ABLE)
 * PLEASE BE SURE TO SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES DURING THE WORSHIP SERVICE