



# First United Methodist Church

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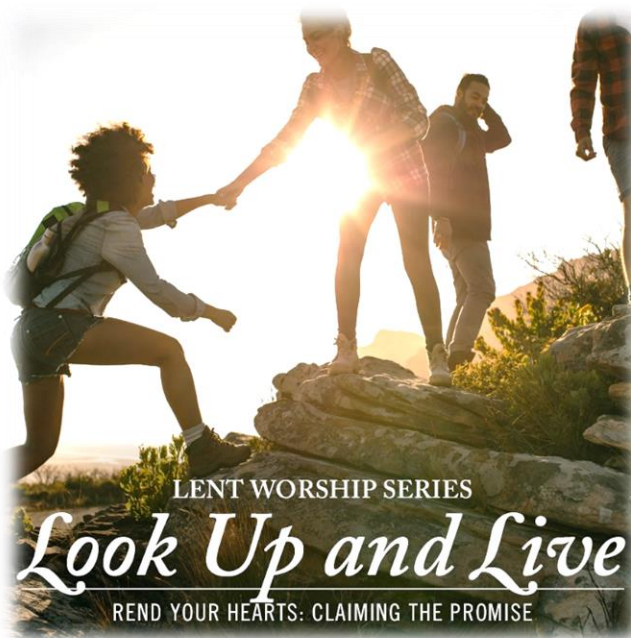
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***March 14, 2021***

***Fourth Sunday in Lent***



***Worship Leaders***

*Rev. Jackie Freeman*

<b><i>Liturgist</i></b>	<b><i>Ushers</i></b>	<b><i>Music Leader</i></b>
Colette Barth	Volunteers	Sarah Ritchea

# ***Order of Worship***

PRELUDE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Pastor Jackie*

INTROIT

\*OPENING PRAYER

*Colette Barth*

***Gracious God, so often we have missed your presence because we are looking for you clothed in a particular way. Let this time of worship be an encounter with you that will enable us to behold you in all the people we meet and all the situations we greet. You are from everlasting to everlasting, so we are confident that you are here; help us to be aware of your holy presence. O Lord, enrich this act of worship with the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.***

HYMN OF PRAISE     *"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"*

*UMH 297*

SCRIPTURE READING     *John 3: 11-21*

*Colette Barth*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

**Great and generous God, our lives are surrounded by things that steal our lives, inflict and destroy us. The tithes and offering we share with you this day are a way of keeping us focused not on the things that would take life away but will renew our lives: hope, love, compassion, empathy. As the Israelites looked to a serpent on a pole for healing, we look to a Savior on a cross to be brought back to life. In that holy name, Jesus the Messiah, we pray. Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

\*DOXOLOGY

## THE SHEMA

*Sh'ma Yis'ra'el. Sh'ma Yis'ra'el.*

*Adonai Eloheinu. Adonai Eloheinu.*

*Adonai echad. Adonai echad.*

***Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone***

***Love the Lord your God with all your heart***

***and with all your soul and with all your strength,***

***and love your neighbor as yourself.***

## SCRIPTURE READING

*Numbers 21: 4-9*

*Pastor Jackie*

## MORNING MESSAGE

*"Look Up and Live"*

*Pastor Jackie*

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

## CALL TO PRAYER

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***The words we speak all too often do not show you in our lives, God of our pilgrimage. We spend so much time boasting to others, they imagine we have no need for you. We grumble impatiently when you don't respond immediately to our requests, but are slow to sing your praises. We mutter under our breath about the behavior of those around us, when we could be asking the if there is some way we could serve them.***

***It is on our journey to the cross and the tomb that you fill us with the riches of your mercy, Steadfast Love! You do so, not because of anything we have done, but because of the compassion which flows from your heart wounded by our failings. As we open our lives to receive your forgiveness, may we turn to the Light which brings us life, following Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, every step of the way.***

SILENT PRAYER

INTERCESSORY 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 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.*

\*SENDING HYMN

*"Lift High the Cross"*

UMH 159

\*BENEDICTION



***Financial Information February 2021***

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