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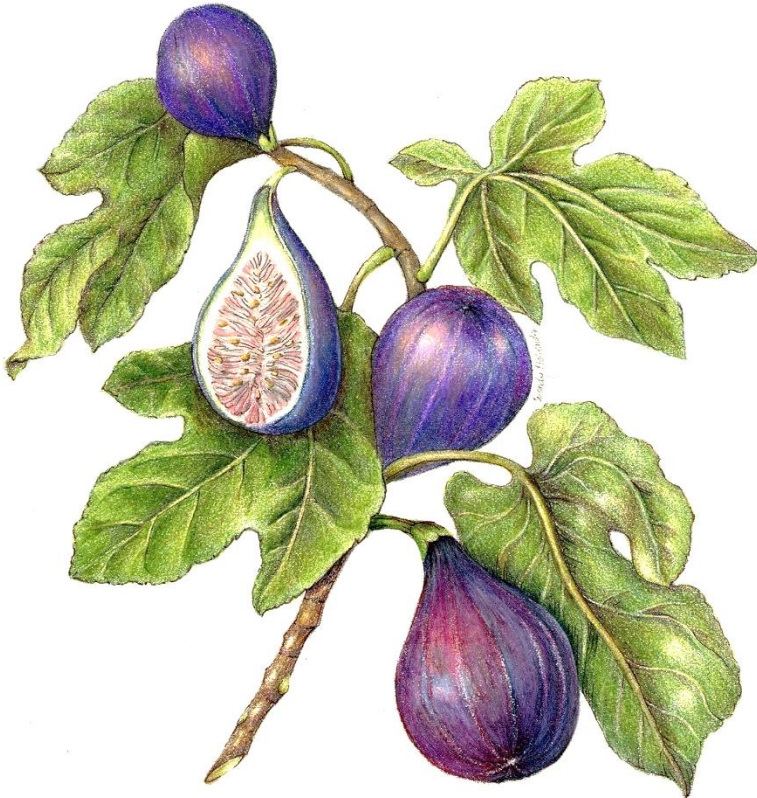
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*March 20, 2022*

*Third Sunday in Lent*

*Pastor Lindsey Smith*



# *Order of Worship*

*\*Please Stand if you are able*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Pastor Lindsey*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Earl O'Connor*

LEADER: A great teacher once said, "When Jesus Christ calls us, he bids us come and die". We are the people who have responded to this call.

***PEOPLE: Through Christ, we want to die to the fears that keep us from loving.***

LEADER: Through Christ, we want to die to the stubbornness that keeps us from sharing our gifts.

***PEOPLE: Through Christ, we want to die to seeking our own success and salvation in disregard for the good of all God's children.***

LEADER: This is God's promise, that if we die with Christ, we will also rise with Christ.

***ALL: God be praised for the glorious promise of new life in Christ. Alleluia.***

**\*GATHERING HYMN**

*"Seek Ye First"*

*UMH #405*

OPENING PRAYER

*Earl O'Connor*

***ALL: O God, our Guide and Guardian, you have led us apart from the busy world into the quiet of your house. Grant us grace to worship you in Spirit and in truth, to the comfort of our souls and the upbuilding of every good purpose and holy desire. Enable us to do more perfectly the work to which you have called us that we may not fear the coming of night, when we shall resign into your hands the tasks which you have committed to us. So may we worship you not with our lips at this hour, but in word and deed all the days of our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.***

PSALTER

*Psalms 63: 1-8 (UMH#788)*

*Earl O'Connor*

LEADER: O God, you are my God, I seek you,

my soul thirsts for you;

my flesh faints for you,

as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

***PEOPLE: So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.***

LEADER: Because your steadfast love is better than life,  
my lips will praise you.

**PEOPLE: So I will bless you as long as I live;  
I will lift up my hands and call on your name.**

LEADER: My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,<sup>[a]</sup>  
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips  
when I think of you on my bed,  
and meditate on you in the watches of the night;

**All: for you have been my help,  
and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.  
My soul clings to you;  
your right hand upholds me.**

<b>* HYMN OF PRAISE</b>	<i>“Come to the Water”</i>	<i>Video</i>
<b>* HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING</b>	<i>Isaiah 55: 1-9</i>	<i>Earl O’Connor</i>
CHILDREN’S SERMON		<i>Sarah Ritchea</i>
JOYS AND CONCERNS		<i>Pastor Lindsey</i>
PASTORAL PRAYER		<i>Pastor Lindsey</i>
THE LORD’S PRAYER		<i>Pastor Lindsey</i>
PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS		<i>Pastor Lindsey</i>
<i>Generous God, as we travel this Lenten journey, allow us to walk beside Jesus as he makes his journey into Jerusalem. As we offer our gifts this morning, may it be our way of saying we won’t turn away from the problems and conflicts of this world; but like Jesus, we will walk toward them. All we take for the journey is the compassion, mercy, and sacrifice that he carried—moving toward what waited in the Holy City. We journey in Christ’s steps and pray in Christ’s holy name. Amen.</i>		
<b>*DOXOLOGY</b>		
<b>*THE GOSPEL</b>	<i>Luke 13: 1-9</i>	<i>Pastor Lindsey</i>
SERMON	<i>“God Gives Us Time”</i>	<i>Pastor Lindsey</i>
<b>*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH</b>	<i>Apostles’ Creed (UMH 881)</i>	<i>Earl O’Connor</i>

**\*HYMN OF INVITATION** "I Need Thee Every Hour"

UMH #397

**\*BENEDICTION**

Pastor Lindsey



*Worship Leaders*  
*Pastor Lindsey Smith*



<i>Liturgist</i>	<i>Music Leader</i>	<i>Children's Sermon</i>
Earl O'Connor	Sarah Ritchea	Sarah Ritchea

<i>Greeters/Ushers</i>
Bobby & Charla Jones

PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!



Larry Wolf Family	James Trusty	Tiffany Gillis
Becca Wagner	Emily Cheatham	Martin & Kathy Flannery
Javance Thomas	David Jaks	Martin Eldridge III family
Bryan & Vicky Adkins	Diane Schroeder	Matthew Bryant
Annabelle Gomez	Catrina Harper	Coleen Tom
Teresa Strickland	Graylin Rusk	Morin family
Linda Thamm	Linda Sager	John Flannery family
Preston Carey	Cheryl Sweet	Jackie & John Bush family
Ronnie White	Pinky Togmetti	Tina Heiser
Gentry Rigsby	Kyle Paschall	Dylan Mills
Raylynn Wood	J.D. Heyen	Elizabeth Reid
Colette Barth	Tiy Salazar	Jayliem Battles
Nina & baby	Ron Rinker	Brooks family
Pastor John Britsch	Joe Kenemmer	Cox Family
Roy Zengerle	Yolanda Oroenez Family	Evelyn Boedeker
Marvin Kremling	Morris Cooper	Travis Spears
David	Charles Parnell Family	Alex Drane Family
Michael Cox's nephew	Lonnie Lyman	