



# First United Methodist Church

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*Third Sunday in Lent*



# ***Order of Worship***

***\*Please Stand if you are able***

PRELUDE

*“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”*

*UMH 89*

LIGHTING OF ALTAR CANDLES

THE SERVICE OF DEMINISHING LIGHTS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Pastor Lindsey*

## ***\*CALL TO WORSHIP***

*Sarah O'Connor*

Leader: Welcome pilgrims on the way to the cross.

**ALL: We are learning to follow Jesus.**

Leader: The way is long, and we are thirsty.

**ALL: We seek the living waters of Jesus.**

Leader: We feel the weight of scarcity warring with hopeful whispers of abundance.

**ALL: We need the living waters of Jesus.**

Leader: We wonder if God will provide us with what we need, *here* and *now*.

**ALL: As God gives us the living waters of Jesus, so God calls us to quench the thirst and meet the needs of our neighbors.**

Leader: Pilgrims on the way, come let us worship God!

**ALL: We come to worship God as we learn to live inside out! Amen.**

## ***\*GLORIA PATRAI***

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## ***\*OPENING PRAYER***

*Pastor Lindsey*

## ***\*HYMN OF PRAISE***

*“God of Grace and God of Glory”*

*UMH 577*

JOYS AND CONCERNS

*Pastor Lindsey*

PASTORAL PRAYER

*Pastor Lindsey*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Pastor Lindsey*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Pastor Lindsey*

OFFERTORY SONG

*Video*

**\*DOXOLOGY**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

*Sarah O'Connor*

**Lord, Open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

FIRST READING

*Romans 5:1-11*

*Sarah O'Connor*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

*Colette Barth*

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION** *"This is the Day of New Beginnings" UMH 383*

**\*GOSPEL**

*John 4:5-42*

*Pastor Lindsey*

SERMON

*Pastor Lindsey*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*Sarah O'Connor*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And 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, dead, and buried;\* the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.**

**\*HYMN OF INVITATION**

*"Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross"*

UMH 301

**\*BENEDICTION**

*Pastor Lindsey*

**\*POSTLUDE**

*"Rock of Ages"*

***Worship Leaders***  
*Rev. Lindsey Smith Jr.*



<i><b>Liturgist</b></i>	<i><b>Music Leader</b></i>	<i><b>Children's Sermon</b></i>
Sarah O'Connor	Sarah O'Connor	Colette Barth

<i><b>Greeters/Ushers</b></i>
Mildred & Stayton Weldon

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

*We are here to pray for you!*



Mary & Bob Wood	Emily Cheatham	Cheryl Sweet
Mr. & Mrs. Van Wormer	Brian Vandell	Joe Reuss
Dee Ann Smith	Tina Heiser & Candy	Elizabeth Reid
Morin Family	Al Junker	Roger Junker
Steve Urbanovsky	Lisa Langton	Perry Vernon
Faye Duckett	Gene Heidaker	Roy Goldman
Ray & Theresa Strickland	David Charbonneau & Family	Angelia Howard
Ron & Shelly	Bonnie Keaton	Freda Nelsson
Pauline Kuecker	Joe Newman	Bob West
Grayson	Marvin & Dorothy Kremling	Welgene Hoffmann
Lisa		