

## Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2026

10:30AM

*Welcome to Worship at Memorial United Methodist Church.*

*Please sign the blue attendance pads in the pews, and please include contact information if you are a visitor.*

Music to Center Ourselves     *Wondrous Love* (Beaumont)

Welcome to Worship and The Wave

### \*Call to Worship

God calls us to set out in faith.

**The love of God leads us home.**

Christ blesses us that we might bless others.

**The blessings of Christ heal our world.**

The Holy Spirit strengthens us for the journey.

**The power of the Spirit sustains and supports us.**

The One who made heaven and earth meets us here.

\*Hymn                     *In Remembrance of Me*                     TFWS 2254

Responsive reading                     Psalm 121                     Sarah Myers

\*Gospel reading                     John 3:1-17

Children's Time

Message                                     Pastor Terri Branstrom

\*Hymn                     *Spirit of God*                     TFWS 2117

### Offering Our Gifts and Commitments

**Offertory**     *God So Loved the World* (Leatherman)

Ushers will pass the offering plates to receive today's offering and any prayer requests (please write requests on the green cards found in the pews). You may also make financial contributions on the square reader in the fellowship area, or online on our website.

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

\*Offering Prayer

### The Sacrament of Holy Communion

*As you come down the center aisle, you are invited to place a donation for Backpack Buddies in the backpack. Backpack Buddies through Kiwanis helps provide nutritious food for school children to take home on weekends and holidays.*

### Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

\*Closing Song             *Oh How He Loves You and Me*             TFWS 2108

### \*Departing Blessing

### Music for Going Forth

*Variations on "Aus der Tiefe" Forty Days and Forty Nights* (Beaumont)

\* The asterisk indicates times in worship where we're invited to stand.

*Please join us after worship for coffee and conversation.*

### Assisting Today

Altar Guild: Val Johnson

Communion Server: Wilma Vanderdonck

Counters: Carol Borden and Peggy Richter

Projection: The Messina and Marquette families

Snacks: Val Johnson

Greeters and Ushers: John Myers and Sarah Myers

**The Lent-Easter offering** will go to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

This fund is used to help individuals who need assistance with possibly part of a utility bill, gasoline to get to an appt. in Marquette, etc. Anything you give marked "Lent," "Maundy Thursday," "Good Friday," or "Easter" will go into this fund.



**Easter Lilies** If you would like to honor or remember someone this Easter with lilies, please fill out a purple form from the long table by the front door and bring it to the office by **Wednesday, April 1**. Then bring your flowers by Easter.

## Wednesday Night Lenten Speakers

5:30 Soup Supper and 6:00 Speaker

- Mar. 4 Matt Maskart, the Chief Executive Officer of Pathways  
Mar. 11 Kristine Paulsen – “Take the Challenge: Healthy Media”  
Mar. 18 Julie Mallard, the Executive Director of United Way, speaking about school readiness  
Mar. 25 Bob Hazen, an elder of Lac Vieux Desert Chippewa Tribe and a Survivor of Native American boarding schools.

***Please invite everyone you know to hear these excellent speakers.***

**New Study:** *Knowing Who We Are: The Wesleyan Way of Grace.*

The United Methodist story is a story of God’s love. In *Knowing Who We Are*, Lacey Warner invites you to a rich understanding of Wesleyan Christianity and the values, beliefs, and practices that grow from it. You’ll learn about its beginnings as a renewal movement saturated with God’s grace. You’ll learn about the United Methodist legacy of compassion, care, and active response to injustice in the world. Most of all, you’ll find a way of being Christian that fills you with joy, moves you to follow Jesus wholeheartedly, and spurs you to live with compassion and grace.

If you would like to read this book on your own or discuss in a group with other people, please contact Lisa for a copy.

MONDAY 5:30 Bible Study

WEDNESDAY 9:00 Knitting and Crocheting

5:30 Soup Supper

6:00 Special Speaker: Matt Maskart from Pathways

7:00 Choir practice

NEXT SUNDAY 10:30 Worship

MARCH 18 Lifeline Screening in the gym

MARCH 19 4:30 Church Council

MARCH 20 5:00 Game Night

MARCH 29 10:30 Palm Sunday service – children process with palms

APRIL 2 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday service with communion

APRIL 3 7 p.m. Good Friday service

APRIL 5 7 a.m. Sunrise Service

10:30 Easter Celebration service with communion

**How do I know if worship is cancelled?** Please check TV6 and Radio Results Network. You can also call Lisa’s cell phone 420-1311. Lisa will also send out text messages to those she has cell numbers for.



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## Prayer List

**New Concern:** Lynn Schmidt

### **Recent Concerns:**

Pam Thorbahn	Baby Gemma	Matthew
Beverly McCarley	The Argall family	Camp Michigamme
Family of Marianne Watson Milkowski		

### **Ongoing Concerns:**

Lorna Benson	Kim Bessonon	Beth and Sarah Benson
Pat Clark	Richard Demeuse	Tom and Alice Butch
Bette DeRoeck	Roger Finnegan	Ian Goldi
Adam Haberstitch	Lettie Houghton	Ron Houle
Mary Hubbard	Richard Hull	Berta Johnson
Christopher Lund	Toni Marchese	Dora and Andy Leonard
Beverly Martin	Beverly McCarley	David McCarley
Brian Minor	Elijah Moffitt	Betty Nyquist
Helen Palo	Josiah Pryor	John Rector
Margaret Richard	Debbie Rosen	Elizabeth Peltz Richardson
Lisa Richer Barta	Leona Williams	Eileen Wittenmore
Mark West	Brian Wood	

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