

**First United Methodist Church
March 12, 2023**

Prelude	Yes, He Can	Keys/Guitar
Welcome and Greeting		Liturgist
Announcements		Liturgist
K.I.D.S. Kids In Divine Service (Upstairs in the Children's Wing (3 rd Graders & Under) Children may go with Teacher Jane Sturgeon		
*Opening Prayer		Liturgist
Gracious and glorious God, we come this morning with questions in our hearts and in our lives. We come hoping someone can help us find answers and healing. But we are also confronted with our doubts about self, others, and at times, even you. Grant us healing and openness to your spirit that we may be better servants of your Word, your Will, and your Way. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen		
*Call to Worship		Liturgist
Leader: I lift my eyes up to the mountains, from where does my help come? People: My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Leader: We look not to the mountains or valleys, even heaven or earth, People: For God is found among us. Leader: Come, let us worship the God of Creation, the God of Community. People: Let us follow Jesus, for Jesus is The Way. Let us worship together in faith. Amen		
*Hymn of Worship	Praise to the Lord, the Almighty	Hymn 139 P/O
New Testament Scripture	Matthew 6:26 (NLT)	Liturgist
Song of Praise	Yes, He Can	K/G
Song of Prayer	More Love to Thee, O Christ	Organ
Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer		Pastor Judi Marshall
Offering		Liturgist
Music Special	Love Divine, All Loves Excelling	Piano

Prayer of Thanksgiving Liturgist
God of unwavering love, you have held nothing back in your love for us, not even your Son. How we marvel at that kind of love, and how we long to reflect a portion of that devotion back to you. As we dedicate our offerings to you, lead us away from our tendency to hold back and worry that there will not be enough. May this offering help others trust in you. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

Song of Thanksgiving **Give Thanks** FWS 2036

Song of Reflection **Trust In You** by Lauren Daigle K/G

Old Testament Scripture Psalm 121:1-8 (NLT) Pastor Judi

Sermon **Wide Eyes and High Steps** Guest Jay Marshall

***Song of Commitment** **O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee** Hymn 430
P/O

***Benediction** Pastor Jay
As you leave this place, lift up your eyes to the Lord! The One who sent Jesus Christ, as salvation for all the world, will never desert you. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in, from this time on, and forevermore. Go now in peace, with God's blessing. Amen.

***Postlude** **Mountains Are All Aglow** Organ

March 5th Service: <https://youtu.be/14aL1nJwH4g>

Worship Team

Music Director & Guitarist Rick Peelle
Organist Carol Meyer **Pianist** Susie Lewis
Song Leaders Donna Winters & Amanda Stainbrook
Greeter Linda Cowan
Ushers Sarah Geise, Steve Beeson, Bob Warner
Nursery Jen Linderman & Linda Cowan

The altar flowers are given by Barb Beeson.

**Welcome to Worship Our Lord.
Today, March 12, 2023**

We welcome Jay & Judi Marshall today as they lead our service.

This Week: **Monday, March 13** No Lenten Study this week.
Wednesday, March 15 Bells rehearsal at 6 p.m. Worship Team 6:50 p.m.

**Pick up Daily Devotions: March Upper Room along with Our Daily Bread
located in the Café bookrack.**

Jefferson Township Food Pantry thanks all who contributes.

Chris Lane is Jefferson Township Trustee. Drop off these food items
at the Trustee's Office during their hours: Monday, Wednesday, &
Friday from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Also, may be taken to the Church Café.
March Donations: Spices (dollar ones at Walmart: Garlic powder,
Onion powder, Hamburger seasoning, salt & pepper etc.

Game Night has announced the second Tuesday of each month will be using Fellowship Hall for Game Night 5:30-8:30. Plan to join! April 11.

Prayers for our Members & Friends: Marilyn Scott, Priscilla Sherry, Ginny Ozbun, Jo Johnson, Chris & Barb Beeson, Judy Hilbert Haisley, Bob & Dixie Fast, Craig Salhoff, Martha Gigg, Linda Riley, Elizabeth Waggoner, Tonya Sparks, Jim & Ginny Retherford, Angela Cox, Lisa Warner's parents' health, Susan Sanders, Carol Meyer, Christa (Coleman) husband Mark, Dylan Orschell, Donita Lester, Mindy Smith recuperating from knee surgery, Kay Ulerick, Dorothy Sturgeon.

The community is invited to the Thrift Shop's Annual Business Meeting in the FUMC Fellowship Hall at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 26. The Thrift Shop is owned and operated by First United Methodist Church, Congregational Christian Church, and Nettle Creek Church of the Brethren. Meet the Thrift Shop employees and learn how the shop contributes to the community and provides scholarships to Nettle Creek graduating high school seniors.

The program will be A Better Way, formerly known as Genesis of Richmond. A Better Way is a mobile advocacy organization serving Wayne and seven surrounding counties. Heather Eckert and Candra Ramsey, Richmond Site Coordinator, will share A Better Way's mission: to reduce domestic abuse, sexual assault, suicide, and homelessness through service, shelter, crisis intervention, and prevention initiatives.

Take a Hike on Saturday, March 25. 10 a.m. Meet in parking lot.

First United Methodist Church Worship Service
Third Sunday in Lent
March 12, 2023



CHURCH MISSION:

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

CHURCH VISION:

As disciples who make disciples, we will connect intentionally, listen actively and love deeply in our relationship with God and our community.

*The Ushers, Greeters, and Flower Chart are on the Bulletin Board in the Office Hallway.
Please sign up to serve the Lord. Any questions, let me know.
Church Secretary Carol Meyer.*