

**First United Methodist Church  
March 5, 2023**

<b>Prelude</b>	<b><i>Fairest Lord Jesus with My Heart Ever Faithful</i></b>	
<b>Welcome and Greeting</b>		Pastor
<b>Announcements</b>		Pastor
<b>K.I.D.S. Kids In Divine Service</b>	<b>(Upstairs in the Children's Wing (3<sup>rd</sup> Graders &amp; Under)</b>	
	<b>Children may go with Teacher Lori Ward</b>	
<b>*Opening Prayer</b>		
Faithful God, forgive us when we so easily doubt your call, your presence, and your abiding love. Lift us up from lives of self-pity and self-centeredness, and bring us to you with hearts filled with joy, praising you for opportunities to witness your love in our service to your people. Heal us and restore us, we ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.		
<b>*Call to Worship</b>		Pastor
Pastor: Great is our God and greatly to be praised!		
<b>People: The whole earth reflects God's power and might.</b>		
Pastor: When we recall the wonders of God's creation....		
<b>People: We rejoice at the awesome complexity of it all.</b>		
Pastor: Lord, you have brought us up from fear to hope.		
<b>People: Let us worship and praise God for all of God's faithfulness. Amen.</b>		
<b>*Hymn of Worship</b>	<b><i>Come Now is the Time to Worship</i></b>	Guitar
<b>New Testament Scripture</b>	Hebrews 10:23 (NCV)	Liturgist
<b>Song of Praise</b>	<b><i>Blessed Assurance</i></b>	Hymn 369
<b>Song of Prayer</b>	<b><i>Just Be Held by Casting Crowns</i></b>	Guitar
<b>Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer</b>		Pastor
<b>Offering</b>		
<b>Music Special</b>	<b><i>The Way by Pat Barrett</i></b>	Guitar

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** Pastor

God of the wilderness, we give this offering in gratitude, rejoicing in the abundance of your gifts to us. We give this offering in faith, trusting that you will provide for our needs. We give this offering in hope, knowing you can use it to spread your love in this world. And with this offering, we give ourselves; so may we live with generous hearts and with open hands. May this offering be blessed by you. Amen

**Song of Thanksgiving** ***Give Thanks*** FWS 2036

**Song of Reflection** ***The Way by Pat Barrett*** Guitar

**Old Testament Scripture** **Psalm 77:10-12 (NLT)** Pastor

**Sermon** ***Forever Faithful*** Pastor Nate Eckert

**Communion**

**\*Song of Commitment** ***Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*** Hymn 514

**\*Benediction** Pastor

Go out into the world in peace. Live as those who have already experienced God's faithfulness. Give aid and be willing to receive it, trust and be trusted, forgive and be forgiven, love and be willing to be loved. May grace, mercy, and peace be with you always. Amen!

**\*Postlude** ***Great Is Thy Faithfulness***

**February 26<sup>th</sup> Service:** <https://youtu.be/dUqZ1LgVITl>

**Worship Team**

**Music Director & Guitarist** Rick Peelle  
**Organist** Carol Meyer **Pianist** Today Carol Meyer  
**Song Leaders** Donna Winters & Amanda Stainbrook  
**Greeter** Linda Cowan  
**Ushers** Sarah Geise, Steve Beeson, Bob Warner  
**Nursery** Erin Doerstler & Lori Ward

***The altar flowers are given by Barb Beeson.***

Welcome to Worship Our Lord.  
Today, March 5, 2023

**This Week: Monday, March 6**

1:30 Reflections Circle @ church

6:30 Lenten Study in Fellowship Hall

**Tuesday, March 7**

7:00 p.m. O of Friendship @church

Lorna Peelle hosts Mindy-Program

7:30 p.m. Men's Fraternity @ Irongate, 35 W Main St

**Wednesday, March 8** Bells resume rehearsal at 6 p.m.

Worship Rehearsal at 6:50 p.m.

**Thursday, March 9 (Not sure) 6:30 p.m.** Gideons may meet

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

Jefferson Township Food Pantry thanks everyone who contributes.  
Chris Lane is Jefferson Township Trustee.

Drop off these food items at the Trustee's Office during their new hours: Monday, Wednesday, & Friday from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

**March Donations: Spices (dollar ones at Walmart: (Garlic powder, onion powder, hamburger seasoning, salt & pepper etc.)**

**Please Note: 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!**

**Please disregard the Church Calendar in your (March) issue. The next game night will be April 11. Just remember one Tuesday a month on the second Tuesday!!!!!!!!!!**

## First United Methodist Church Worship Service

Second Sunday in Lent

March 5, 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.*