OUR SAVIOUR'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Lent Five Mar. 14 & 17, 2024

* All who are able please stand

Prelude

Words of Welcome and Good News.

GREETING

L: Let us keep our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was waiting endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: New life rises!

P: That which rises, must first fall and die.

L: Single grains merely remain as they are unless they are released to the ground.

P: The grains of the earth that fall will multiply and nourish.

L: Come, die to the self and live a life of service to the Living God.

P: And God will raise us up anew. Amen.

*HYMN: "At the Name of Jesus"

R69/Projected

***INVOCATION**

ALL: God of grains and grace, we gather today seeking to follow in the way of Jesus. The path he chose for his disciples was one of service and it requires of us that we lay down our desires, our ambitions, and serve you with our whole heart. May our worship this day inspire our dying and rising with you as we seek to love and serve like Jesus. May it be so. Amen.

*RESPONSE & INVITATION: "Spirit of the Living God" B283/Projected Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

WITNESS OF FAITH: Jeremiah 31:31-34 WITNESS OF FAITH: Psalm 51:1-12

CALL TO CONFESSION

L: In every time, prophets and apostles have come to call the people of God to repentance and newness of life. We too are called to admit our sin and to commit ourselves anew to follow in God's way. Let us pray.

L: Leader; P: People Acc.: Nicole Burdick

Welcome to

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God of love, we confess that our ego can all too often get in the way of our ability to serve you and others with our lives. Our false self is driven by our lack of trust in you to provide for our every need. We rely on our own strength. But our true self can let go and be formed anew by your love. Forgive us our false ways and transform us and raise us to new life. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

L: Friends, Jesus reminds us that those who serve him will have the assurance of his presence with them. Trust that you are you are forgiven, that new life rises, and that Jesus abides with you. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

P: Thanks be to God!

Passing of the Peace [Let us bless one another in Christ as we are comfortable.]

WITNESS OF FAITH: Hebrews 5:5-10 GOSPEL LESSON: John 12:20-33

A TIME OF LEARNING: The Lord's Prayer: 3rd Petition From Luther House of Study	Projected		
*STATEMENT OF FAITH: United Church of Christ Projected *CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place I can feel God's mighty power and God's Grace I can hear the brush of angel's wings I see glory on each face Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place			
SUN. SPECIAL MUSIC: "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"	Voices Ala Carte		
THUR. HYMN: "And Can it Be That I Should Gain?" (1738) With Reawaken Hymns	Projected		
CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Prayer of Our Savior: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.			

LENTEN VISUAL REFLECTION: "Lay it Bare" Projected From TWOTP with Brene Brown

MEDITATION: "Whoever Serves Me must Follow Me" Rev. Mundell

HYMN: "Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended" R128/Projected

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

[Offering options by the sanctuary entrances/social media/mail/office.] L: As yeast rises to create bread, so do the rising of our gifts multiply the love of God in the life of the world. Give of your treasure, whatever it may be, however large or small. And trust God will use it for the building of the kingdom of God that is emerging among us.

OFFERTORY

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, you heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Responsive)

ALL: O God who causes our lives to rise, we lay down to you the abundance you have given us and allow it to fall so that you may multiply it to give life to your world. May it be so. Amen.

*BENEDICTION: "Go Now In Peace"

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know he will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

*Postlude

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sun.	March 17	9:00 am - Worship Service in Sanctuary
		10:00 am - Altar Guild Meeting
Mon.	March 18	4:30 pm - Worship Committee Meeting
		5:30 pm - Christian Ed Committee Meeting
		6:15 pm - Scott Street Puppeteers Practice
		6:30 pm - Evangelism Committee Meeting
Tues.	March 19	5:00 pm - Community Meal at Immanuel United Methodist Church
		5:30 pm - Missions Committee Meeting
Wed.	March 20	6:30 pm - Lent Worship Service in the Chapel
Thur.	March 21	9:00 am - Mind, Body, and Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily
		5:00 pm - Ripon Area VBS Committee meeting
		5:15 pm - Senior Choir Practice
		6:30 pm - Worship Service in Chapel
		NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS
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Sun. March 31		7:00 am - Easter Worship Service in the Sanctuary with		
		Communion		
		7:45 am - Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall		
		9:00 am - Easter Worship Service in the Sanctuary with		
		Communion		



We welcome all visitors and guests and are glad you can join us for our services.

Large print bulletins and regular bulletins are available in the vestibule and online. If you would like one mailed to you, please let us know.

Join us for worship on or Sunday's at 9:00 am and Thursday's at 6:30 pm

Sunday Service is broadcast live via radio at 11:00AM on WRPN, AM station 1600.

All worship services are livestreamed to our Social Media Platforms and available at your convenience. If you are viewing worship from one of our Social Media Platforms, make sure to leave a comment or like our post to know you are worshipping with us! If there is an issue with the stream, or you have any feedback, please reach out to Conrad Winkleman.



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OFFICE HOURS

Our office hours are Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM till Noon. There is also a drop box adjacent to the office door if you need to drop off items when the office is not open.

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Marlene Pinnow, March 17, Sandra Fischer and Gary Lieske, March 18, Roy Gomoll, Alden Ludjack, Philip Manthei and Shirley Stibb, March 19, Karen Clark, March 22, Richard Clausen, March 23

ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR LAST WEEK

In-Person:	Wednesday: 17	Thursday: 6	Sunday : 59
Livestream Views:	Wednesday: 89	Thursday: 83	Sunday: 60
General Fund: \$1,770.00	OCWM: \$161.50	Capital Improvements: \$188.50	

Thank you so much for your continued support of in-person, mailed in, and online contributions.

9:00 AM WORSHIP TEAM

Audio Operator: John Kwiatkoske Liturgist: Phil Manthei Musician: Nicole Burdick



MIND, BODY, AND SOUL CLINIC RESUMES

Nurse Emily offers the Mind, Body, and Soul Clinic every Thursday from 9:00 am till Noon. Also, on the first Sunday of each month she offers a Blood Pressure Clinic immediately following the worship service.

OSUCC LOGO POLO SHIRT SALE COMING TO A CLOSE

Time to get your order in! We will be closing shirt sales on Sunday, March 24th. There is a green folder containing the order sheet on the stand next to the rack. The shirt's are \$23 each, which is a great price for the quality of material and workmanship. Please pay when ordering, you can leave the check/cash in the office or the drop box with a note. Thank you!

APRIL OSUCC FREE COMMUNITY MEAL VOLUNTEERS

Anyone interested in volunteering at our April 2nd Free Community Meal can contact Nancy Henning at 920-229-3486. Attendance at the meal continues to increase so we appreciate your help and support, thank you so much!



REV. MUNDELL WILL BE ON VACATION

Reverend Mundell will be on vacation from the evening of March 31st until April 8th. If you have an urgent need please contact a Church Council member for assistance.

OPPORTUNITY TO HELP VENEZUELAN REFUGEES

We're still collecting so if you are interested in helping, the most needed items are new or slightly used winter gloves; new or slightly used winter coats infant to medium adult in size; new or slightly used pajamas infant to medium adult in size; new diapers sizes 0-6; new underwear sizes 2T up to adult medium.

MISSIONS FOOD COLLECTION

Suggested food items for March are:

Canned proteins, canned beans, canola or olive oil, crackers, dried herbs and spices, baby food, baby formula, granola bars, instant mashed potatoes, shelf stable or powdered milk, rice, peanut butter, nuts, pasta and sauce, or canned vegetables.

These can be brought to the East Narthex. It is always best to buy canned items with a pull-tab for ease of opening and avoid glass containers whenever possible. Thank you to all who have already donated this month!

PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY

In need of special prayers? Feel free to use our prayer chain ministry by contacting Caroline Retzlaff at 920-748-2367.

IN OUR PRAYERS: Kathy Luedke, Tara Koller, Bob Schouten, Edna Schwandt, 23 Unspoken, and all others.

BULLETIN AND MESSENGER INFORMATION DEADLINES

If you are interested in getting information placed in the **bulletin** or would like to sponsor an item through the Altar Guild, please email the office or drop off by **Tuesday at 11am.**

Events, committee updates, etc. for the **May Messenger** should be emailed to the office or dropped off at church by Saturday, **April 20**th. Thank you!

EASTER SUNDAY BREAKFAST

Just a quick reminder that breakfast will be served on Easter in Fellowship Hall from 7:45 am until 8:45 am.

The menu is forthcoming but do come join us!







