

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 19, 2023

11:00 A.M.

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Joys and Celebrations

Chimes of the Trinity

Prelude

Please be seated and prepare for worship with quiet  
meditation and prayer.

Choral Call to Worship

"The Lord Is in His Holy Temple"

Responsive Call to Worship

When the world is dark and full of hate and fear, when we cannot see God

**we will turn on the light.**

When we cannot find our way back to love and peace

**we will turn on the light.**

When our vision dims due to the darkness within

**we will turn on the light.**

Christ opens our eyes with the gift of sight.

**The light of the world is Jesus Christ.**

Come and worship the one who brings sight to the blind.

**Hallelujah! Praise God, the light of the world! Amen.**

\*Hymn 140

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Opening Prayer

\*Apostles' Creed 881

\*Gloria Patri 70

Words of Welcome

Offering of Our Gifts

Offertory

\*Doxology 95

Anthem

"Open My Eyes, That I May See"

Children's Sermon

Roger Kruger

Call to Prayer

"Hear Our Prayer, Oh Lord"

Prayers and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer 885

Scripture Reading

John 9:1-41

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"Are We Blind?"

\*Hymn 381

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction 672

"God Be with You till We Meet Again"

\*Postlude

Items in **Bold** are unison. Items with an asterisk (\*) denote standing as you are able.

### Announcements

**Mar. 26:** Administrative Board will meet at 3:00 pm. Please plan to attend. Let Sharon (423) 707-8476 know if you have something for the agenda.

### Volunteer Schedule

Date	Coffee	Greeters	Children's Sermon	Children's Church	Bulletin Board
05-Mar	Holder	Holders	Communion	Stout	Payne
12-Mar	Bellamy/Smith	Sijthoffs	Yates	Payne	
19-Mar	Wright	Evans/Peake	Kruger	Pennington	
26-Mar	Walsh	Robinson/Stout	Crabtree	Walsh	

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