

*Fourth Sunday in Lent*  
*March 30, 2025*  
*10:30 a.m.*

**OUR LORD'S**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
*There's a Place for You Here*



## GATHERING TOGETHER

### For Today

*Jesus' parable and its wraparound context give us space to wonder together about the "ick factor", which is a tool we use to "other" and elevate one group over the other. Any time we say people "like that", we find our supremacy speaking. Supremacy is built on a foundation of lies about ourselves and our kin. Silence about these lies maintains the foundations of white supremacy. Confession and repentance begin the road to understanding.*

*As you view and participate in this worship please note that **bolded text** invites ALL to voice.*

Prelude "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" arr. Mark Hayes

### Welcome

One voice: Good morning, Church! I see you!

**ALL voices: I am here!**

### Graceful Engagement

\*Opening Chorus "You Are My Hiding Place"

FWS 2055

### \*Call to Worship

Together, we pray to God, a source of Holy Wisdom:

**Search our hearts! Search our minds!**

May Love bring to our attention what needs healing:

**To be free of arrogance over others**

**To be free of love for power**

**To be free of complicity with injustice**

*cont.*

How gracious is the mercy of God,  
Ushering us home to each other.

\*Hymn "Through It All"

UMH 507

\*Unison Prayer

Creator of ALL, we trust You to be our wise guide through all that needs examination. We wish to change the harmful habits and practices passed down to us. We know there is pain that spans generations, still asking for our care and repair. We know there are stories we must help rewrite to move us in different directions. Refine our practices of love, that we may heal and grow through Your grace. Amen.

## LEARNING TOGETHER

Children's Message

One: And, Jesus said... **ALL: Let the children come!**

Children's Time in the Wesley Room

*ALL children are invited to join together just outside the Sanctuary.*

Scripture Reading Focus text: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 CEB

Response

This is the Word of God for ALL of us, God's people.

**Thanks be to God!**

Sermon "Repenting from White Supremacy"

## RESPONDING TOGETHER

*(please text prayers to 414-378-4012 and Pastor Kelly will receive them)*

Response Song "We're ALL On The Way" vs. R, 1, 2, R  
*(see bulletin insert)*

*by Jacob Nault*

Caring for Community Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer "We're ALL On the Way" vs. 3, R  
*(see bulletin insert)*

*by Jacob Nault*

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer ALL Together

UMH 895

\*Invitation to Giving Action

*We are capable of healing. We are capable of traversing uncomfortable lands. We are capable of repairing and restoring the damage done throughout history by supremacies and inequalities. In faith that we have the power, given to us by the God of Resurrection, to birth new life in community, let us bring what we have to God and each other. This is also a special offering day that welcomes gifts to UMCOR in person and online. Come; bring your offerings and share a moment of hospitality and greeting saying:*

One: The peace of Christ be with you!   **ALL: And, also with you!**

\*Lenten Doxology

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**Praise the Source who gives us life.  
Praise to Christ, who shares our strife.  
Praise the Spirit, who sustains,  
bearing us through grief and pain,  
to the holy Trinity glory, praise, and honor be.**

\*Blessing Prayer

**Holy One, we honor the divine anger You must feel over all that continues to steal life in order to serve domination. We pray that we, too, can be faithful embodiments of anger that disrupts, transforms, and refuses to carry on with what harms us or our neighbors. Make us humble in remembrance of our own complicity. Make us bold in commitment to collective transformation. That ALL people and ALL lands may one day live in freedom. Amen.**

\*Responsive Sending Forth

**With God's grace on our side,  
we can face shame,  
we can change patterns,  
we can heal wounds that replicate harm.  
With God's grace on our side,  
there is nothing - within or around us  
that must go on as it is.  
Love is with us, let us go and be transformed.**

\*Our Charge

**\*Final Blessing** Respond "Yes!" after each blessing phrase and join in ALL together for the final phrase: "This day and in every day to come!"

\*Hymn "Amazing Grace" vs. 1, 2, 6

UMH 378

\*Postlude "Lord of the Dance"

from FWS 261

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Lectionary readings: Joshua 5:9-12 "Israel eats bread and grain"; Psalm 32 "Mercy embraces us"; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 "The mystery and ministry of reconciliation"; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 "The parable of the forgiving father"

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**Highlighting, with gratitude, these servant leaders for today...**

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