# Your Friendly Community Church



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## First Sunday in Lent

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

**WELCOME** 

& ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bill Rose

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus began his ministry to the world, led by the Spirit into the wilderness.

People: As we begin our Lenten journey, let us be led by the Spirit, even into the uncomfortable places.

Leader: In those forty days, and in that place, Jesus was faced with hunger, doubt and temptation.

People: As we seek to follow Jesus, we would be led, even into the uncomfortable choices.

Leader: Jesus left the wilderness, faithful and obedient to God, rejoicing in the One in whom he trusted.

People: As we continue on our path to faithfulness, we will be led by our Christ, rejoicing in the Lord our God.

\*HYMN UMH #298

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

God Most High, thank you for signs of your power and grace, shown to us even in the wilderness. Give us the courage to stand firm in your Word in every time of trial and testing, that we may enter the land of your freedom and receive the salvation you so generously give; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT** 

Diane Horn

PASTORAL PRAYER

**OFFERING** 

OFFERTORY ANTHEM RUMC Choir "I Love You, O My God Most High"

\*DOXOLOGY UMH #95

\*GOSPEL READING NT #57

Luke 4:1-13

**SERMON** "An Opportune Time"

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

**UMH #12** 

#### \*HYMN OF INVITATION

FWS #2113

"Lamb of God"

#### INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

The altar is open for prayer. If you would like the pastor to pray with you, please so indicate. The doors of our church are open if anyone wants to join by profession of faith or by transfer.

\*BENEDICTION

**AMEN RESPONSE** 

#898

POSTLUDE "Cornerstone"

\*Please stand as you are able.

#### **WELCOME GUESTS**

We welcome you to our worship service this morning. If you are visiting, please complete a visitor's card located in your pew and place it in the offering plate.

Pastor Meegian will be leading us in a Lenten study beginning on Wednesday, March 9, at 10 am in the Crossroads SS room. She will also offer the study beginning Monday, March 14, at 6:30 pm via ZOOM. The study will be on the prodigal son, and the books cost \$5.00 each.

"The Week That Changed the World" Easter Drive-Thru Drama April 8 & 9 from 7–8:30 pm. We need your help!

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday, March 7, 6:30 pm: UMM

Tuesday, March 8, 6:30 pm: Drive Thru Drama meeting -

**CLC** 

Wednesday, March 9, 10:00 am: Lenten Study -

Crossroads SS classroom Wednesday, 6:30 pm: Choir

Thursday, February 10, 6:30 pm: Finance Committee

You are welcomed to attend one of our Sunday school groups each Sunday Morning:

**Crossroads SS Class** meets via Zoom at 9 a.m. Contact L.W. Smith for Zoom invite.

**Pathfinder SS Class** meets at 9:45 a.m. in the parlor in the Education Building.

#### **HEARING INFO**

If you would like to use a hearing assistance device, please see an usher for assistance.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please write your prayer requests in the book found on the podium located at the back of the sanctuary before the service begins. Pastor Meegian will receive these requests and lift them up for prayer during worship.

We are excited to have you in our worship service today. We love that the walls of our building do not limit the impact of our ministry and have a wonderful community joining us today virtually. As such, we would like to remind all in attendance that your presence in our worship service indicates your approval that you and all minors you represent being recorded for our digital usage. This includes, but is not limited to, your image, name, and involvements in today's services.