

*Your Friendly
Community Church*



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***Fifth Sunday
in Lent***

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE GATHER AT GOD'S INVITATION

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Felicia Boyce

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Our lives feel all disjointed as though they were a valley of dry bones.

People: But the Spirit of God will bring connection and continuity to our lives.

Leader: The Spirit of God breathes hope into each one of us.

People: The Spirit of God challenges us to be people of faith.

Leader: Open our hearts, Lord, and bring us to your light.

People: Open our lives, Lord, and break us free from doubt and fear. Amen

*HYMN

UMH #393

"Spirit of the Living God"

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Compassionate God, one breath from you, and we are rescued from the valley of dry bones. During our time of worship, breathe your Spirit on us. Please rescue and free us from the valleys we've created by our self-imposed bonds.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Diane Horn

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, by the presence of your Holy Spirit, bless this proclamation of your Word that we may receive the gift of your grace and share it with those who we will meet on this Lenten journey. Speak to us, Lord. Your servants are listening. Amen.

*OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

OT #759

Ezekiel 37:1-14

SERMON

Rev. Meegian Gossard

"Spirit-filled Bones"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***PSALTER READING**

UMH #848

Psalm 130

PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Choir

"Hosanna Loud Hosanna"

***DOXOLOGY**

UMH #95

WE GO WITH GOD INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN**

UMH #349

"Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"

***BENEDICTION**

***AMEN RESPONSE**

"Let the Church Say Amen"

***POSTLUDE**

**Please stand as you are able.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

Thanks to everyone who assisted with the children's Easter Egg Hunt. A fun time was had by all!

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Tuesday, March 28

6:30 Worship Committee - ZOOM

Wednesday, March 29

10:30 Pastor's Bible Study – Crossroads Classroom

5:45 Choir Practice – Choir Room

Thursday, March 30

6:30 Leadership Team – Parlor

Friday, April 1

9 – 12 VITA tax service - CLC

SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

You are welcomed to attend one of our Sunday School classes:

Crossroads SS Class meets via Zoom at 9am
Contact L.W. Smith for Zoom invite.

Pathfinder SS Class meets at 9:45 am in the
parlor in the Education Building.

Children's SS Class meets at 9:45 am in the
nursery in the Education building.

HEARING DEVICES

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 lift them up for prayer during worship.

2023 FINANCES

2023 Budget = \$229,008.00

Need to Receive Weekly = \$4,404.00

Received for General Budget on 03/12/23 = \$3,115.00

Received Year-To-Date (2023) = \$5,752.00

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.