

St. Paul's United Methodist Church

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A safe place to grow, love and serve

*March 22, 2020
Fourth Sunday in Lent
10:45 a.m.*

Welcoming Statement

As a community of faith following God's awesome example in Jesus, we welcome, affirm and extend our love to all persons regardless of age, race, income, nationality, life experiences, gender identity or gender expression. We celebrate God's inclusive love and invite all to join the faith journey at St. Paul's United Methodist Church on Cherry Street.

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

THE PEOPLE GATHER

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

PRELUDE *Open My Eyes, Lord; Be Thou My Vision* (arr. Hayes) **Phyllis Swift**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS **Linda Berrey**

****GATHERING HYMN** *Blessed Assurance* **UMH # 369**

****PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Saint Paul's United Methodist Church welcomes, affirms and extends our love to all persons regardless of age, race, income, nationality, life experiences, gender identity or gender expression. All are welcome into our family. You are invited to greet one another with signs of God's peace. Peace be with you. **ALL: And also with you.**

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

****CALL TO WORSHIP**

Though the way seems long and the road rough

Yet will we trust the One who leads us.

Though the direction is unknown and we don't know the outcome

Yet will we place our lives in Christ's loving care.

It is Christ who brings us out to green pastures and restores our souls.

It is Christ who gives us hope and peace. Praise be to Christ our Lord. AMEN.

****HYMN OF PRAISE** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* **UMH # 140**

****Opening Prayer**

Loving Shepherd, you know our names; you care for us.

When we face darkness and uncertainty, walk beside us.

When we hunger for your love, fill us with your presence.

When we are fearful, feed us at your table, fill us with your love.

May we dwell in the house of goodness and mercy all the days of our lives. Amen.

****CHORAL RESPONSE** *Kyrie* **TFWS # 2275**

Kyrie, Kyrie eleison. Kyrie, Kyrie eleison.

Christe, Christe eleison. Christe, Christe eleison.

Kyrie, Kyrie eleison. Kyrie, Kyrie eleison, eleison

(Translation: Lord, Have Mercy: Christ, Have Mercy)

CHILDREN'S TIME **Marti Law-Lowery**

*This, this is where children belong. Welcomed as part of the worshipping throng.
Water, God's word, bread and cup, prayer and song. This is where children belong.*

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

READING FROM THE EPISTLE **Ephesians 5:8-14**

A TIME OF PRAYER *O Lord, Hear My Prayer* **TFWS #2200**

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

