



Fifth Sunday of Lent ~ March 26, 2023

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Meeting ID: 823 9591 4126 Passcode: 092827

If you join by telephone; 1 646 558 8656.

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As you begin your time of worship we invite you to ponder:

Jesus shows us that sometimes we must make extraordinary efforts to move in a new direction. As we consider the health of humanity, we cannot ignore the need to protect the jewel that is our home, making something beautiful from scars of the past.

PRELUDE

GREETINGS AND NEWS

***INVITATION TO WORSHIP** *inspired by Psalm 148*

Leader: Eternal God, whose breath is the universe, whose Word is the world—

All: amazed, we praise you.

Leader: Creating God, who with delight and play, with wisdom and beauty fashions every creature—

All: in love, we thank you.

Leader: Loving God, you weave us into the great web of life, which is our shared home, our common body, our one belonging.

All: Grateful, we worship you.

***OPENING HYMN:**

All Creatures of Our God and King

UMH #62

1. All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing,
 O praise ye! Alleluia!
O brother sun with golden beam,
O sister moon with silver gleam!
 O praise ye! O praise ye!
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

2. O brother wind, air, clouds, and rain,
by which all creatures ye sustain,
 O praise ye! Alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
ye lights of evening, find a voice!
 O praise ye! O praise ye!
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

3. O sister water, flowing clear,
make music for thy Lord to hear,
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
O brother fire who lights the night,
providing warmth, enhancing sight,
 O praise ye! O praise ye!
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

4. Dear mother earth, who day by day
unfoldest blessings on our way,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,
let them God's glory also show!
O praise ye! O praise ye!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

5. All ye who are of tender heart,
forgiving others, take your part,
O praise ye! Alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
praise God and on him cast your care!
O praise ye! O praise ye!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

OPENING PRAYER

**O God who is greater than the most powerful forces in this world,
enable us to be still and know that You are God.**

**O Lord who answers out of the whirlwind of everyday life,
breathe in us Your Holy Spirit to strengthen, comfort, and guide us in the midst of
the storm.**

**O Spirit, speak to us this hour
that we might become makers of Your peace
in our homes, in our communities, in our world.
We pray all this in the name of the One who calmed the raging sea. Amen.**

THE BASKET

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Creator God, we confess we have not honored your Creation; we have not loved
it as you have loved us. We have thought ourselves separate, not part of your
Creation.**

**Forgive our ignorance and arrogance, our greed and destructiveness.
Bring us again into the oneness of your Creation; forgive us, heal our fears and
transform our desires, and shepherd us to be good stewards of the gift of life.
Amen**

PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ is with you. And also with you.

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 8: 18-27

Now when Jesus saw great crowds around him, he gave orders to go over to the other side. A scribe then approached and said, "Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." Another of his disciples said to him, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Follow me, and let the dead bury their own dead."

And when he got into the boat, his disciples followed him. A windstorm arose on the sea, so great that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was asleep. And they went and woke him up, saying, "Lord, save us! We are perishing!" And he said to them, "Why are you afraid, you of little faith?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a dead calm. They were amazed, saying, "What sort of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him?"

MESSAGE *Restoration*

PRAYER OF GOD'S PEOPLE

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.

WORSHIPING GOD THROUGH OUR GIVING

Offertory

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication** *written by Herb Mather*

Holy and Loving God, bring calm to our lives this day. At times, we look at the problems of the world and feel there is little difference we can make. What can our offerings in this congregation do in light of the turmoil, the hunger, the disease,

and the pain of the world? At other times, we feel proud of ourselves for our generosity. As we give these gifts this day, O Lord, help us to live in the tension between thinking we can do everything and fearing that we can do nothing. We give in faith and with faith. In the name of Jesus, who had nothing but possessed everything. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

The Faith We Sing #2191

1. Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm has bound the restless wave,
Who bid the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

2. O Savior, whose almighty word
The wind and waves submissive heard,
Who walked upon the foaming deep,
And calm amid its rage did sleep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

3. O Holy Spirit, who did brood
Upon the chaos wild and rude,
and bid its angry tumult cease,
and gave, for fierce confusion, peace:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

4. O Trinity of love and power,
All travelers guard in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them where-so-e'er they go:
Thus evermore shall rise to thee
Glad praise from air and land and sea.

BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Please join us after worship for fellowship, coffee/tea, food, and fun!

Lenten Soup Sale after worship

Each pint of soup is priced at \$5, and the sides are \$1

Easter is coming!
Easter Flower deadline is this Monday!

GIVING ENVELOPES HAVE ARRIVED!

***Thank you for financially supporting our ministry. We offer many ways to give:
In the sanctuary or by mail.***

Online at www.umcwayne.org

<https://giving.ncsservices.org/app/giving/umcwgiving>

Text "GIVING" to 973-447-3223

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ANNOUNCEMENTS MARCH 26, 2023

CALENDAR OF EVENTS March 27th – April 2nd

Monday March 27th

AA mtg @ 7:30pm in Fellowship Hall room 8

Tuesday March 28th

Karate @ 4pm in the underground

Adult Spiritual Formation @ 7pm "In the Footsteps of the Savior"

Wednesday March 29th

Karate @ 4pm in the underground

Adult Spiritual Formation @ 12 pm "In the Footsteps of the Savior" – BYO Lunch!

Grace Café @ 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall (Room 8)

Thursday March 30th

Karate @ 4pm in the underground

Friday March 31st

Prayer & Devotion @ 7am on Facebook with Pastor Ninabeth

Boy Scouts @ 7pm in the Underground

Sunday April 2nd

Worship @ 10am – Palm Sunday, Stone Soup! And Holy Communion

Children's *Christian Adventurers* present Stone Soup!

Fellowship Hour – after Worship

The First Friday fellowship group will meet on April 7 at noon.

All are welcome!

Please bring your lunch and beverage. A simple dessert will be provided.

The topic will be Easter trivia and Bingo. There will be time for sharing our holiday tradition stories.

We will be finished in plenty of time to rest and reflect before the fabulous Good Friday worship service that is planned for the evening. Please contact (text, call, see me) Anita at 201-874-6915 to RSVP.

Good Friday Service – It's Friday and We Stand at the Foot of the Cross
7pm in the Sanctuary

A dramatic reading of the Passion according to the Gospel of Mark featuring music by Peter Candela, Anna Lovallo, Joey Tible, and Rachel Fikslin

Lenten Prayer and Devotion on Friday Mornings
at 7am on Facebook.

Our Facebook page is: UMC.Wayne

Join Pastor Ninabeth for this 30 minute gathering.

You do not have to be a Facebook follower to participate.

Our Church Email Addresses are changing!

Please note we are migrating to a new email platform that is part of our website.

We thank you in advance for taking the time to change our emails on your devices. Do not worry if you forget to use the new email, the old emails will forward to us for a while.

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WEBSITE NEWS!

Our Website has moved but the name remains the same

UMCWAYNE.ORG

It will be fully up to date soon.

Our weekly bulletin and announcements

and our monthly Messenger are available for viewing or downloading.

Any comments relating to the website can be sent to tech@umcwayne.org

**UMC IN WAYNE
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STONE SOUP PLAY

Palm Sunday

April 2, 2023

10am

