

March 30, 2025

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

GOD
WELCOMES
REPENTANT
SINNERS

Luke 15:1-3,
11b-32



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PRELUDE

DONNA DAVIS

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

DAN WOLFE

Leader: Rend your hearts and not your clothing.

Return to the Lord , your God

**People: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding
in steadfast love, and relents from punishing.**

***HYMN “ALAS! AND DID MY SAVIOR BLEED”**

UMH 294

***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

UNISON

Everlasting God, because of your tender mercy toward all people,
you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon himself our
flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all should follow the
example of his great humility. Mercifully grant that we may follow the
example of his patience and also be made partakers of his resurrection.
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord . Amen.

(Book of Common Prayer, U.S.A., 20th. cent., Alt)

***RESPONSIVE READING**

PSALM 32

UMH 766

***GLORIA PATRI**

UMH 70

MESSAGE IN MUSIC

“COME, THOU FOUNT”

TRIO:

DONNA DAVIS, DEBBIE & GARY MAYNARD

HEBREW BIBLE READING

JOSHUA 5:9-12

SHARING OUR PRAISES & CONCERNS

(PLEASE USE YOUR PRAYER CARD AND PUT IN THE PRAYER BASKET)

PASTORAL PRAYER & “THE LORD’S PRAYER”

EPISTLE READING

2 CORINTHIANS 5:16-21

*HYMN "AMAZING GRACE" UMH 378

*OFFERING/DOXOLOGY & OFFERTORY PRAYER UMH 95

*GOSPEL READING *St. Luke 15:1-3, 11B-32*

SERMON "THE COMPASSIONATE FATHER & THE ANGRY BROTHER"
PASTOR THOM MALCOLM

INVITATION

*HYMN "SOFTLY AND TENDERLY JESUS IS CALLING" UMH 348

*LEADING OF THE LIGHT AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE DONNA DAVIS

**Please stand only if you are able.*

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Sunday School	Each Sunday	10:00am
Exercise Class	Tuesdays & Thursdays	10:00am
Choir Practice	Tuesdays	5:00pm
Women's Circle	Tues., April 1	6:00pm

BACKPACK MINISTRY

For April, please donate individual fruit cups.
THANK YOU!

Last Sunday to order flowers for Easter.
See insert for order information.

*Please read the inserts for
additional information on Outreach/Mission
Projects and Holy Week activities.*

Prayer List

If you have any additions or modifications to the prayer list, please complete a prayer request card or call the church office. For anyone placed on the prayer list, updates within 3 weeks would be appreciated so our prayer list can be kept current.

Please pray for these individuals with current needs:

Mike Black
Frankie Clark
Bill Hively (Stephanie's brother)
Shirley Kizzee
Patty Lewis
Priscilla McAfee
Ann Nolan (surgery)

Roy Preston
Margaret Smith's Sister
Michael Watts
Family of Shane Lewis
Family of Ruth Thompson
Family of Gene Ward
Family of Patricia Ward

Please pray for these individuals with long-term needs:

Shirley Bias, Bob Carrico, Jill & Jim Combs, Milton Clay,
Jeff & Julia Hunt, Steve Malcolm, Howard Marcum

Remember those not able to join us for church:

Betty Craig, Joy Fetty, Patricia Morgan, Mabel Pillion,
Harold Sowards, Dan & Shirley Webster

Pastor Thom Malcolm

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(Office Hours: Wed/Thurs. 2:30 – 4:30pm)

Music Director:

Gary Maynard

Pianist:

Donna Davis

Liturgist:

Dan Wolfe

**Bulletin information needs to be in the church office by
Tuesday, 2:30pm.**

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Join us for Holy Week services, as we commemorate the Passion and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, culminating in the joy of Easter Sunday.

April 13 Palm Sunday Service 11:00am
(Celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.)

April 17 Maundy Thursday Service 7:00pm
(Remember the Last Supper with Jesus and His Disciples.)

April 18 Good Friday Service 7:00pm
(Reflect on the crucifixion of Jesus.)

April 20 Easter Breakfast 10:00am
(Come Join Us for Breakfast , food will be ready at 10:00am and be available through 10:45am)

April 20 Easter Worship Service 11:00am
(Proclaim the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.)

SPRING MISSION PROJECTS

As we approach Easter, we are reaching out to help others in need. Not forgetting our Backpack Ministry, we have two additional opportunities that you may want to support.



Tolsia HS “Personal Care” Closet

We have contributed clothes to Tolsia High School Clothes Closet; however, Tolsia, also, has a “personal care” closet for those students who may not have the needed hygiene items.

Our Women’s Circle is asking for these items to fill the “personal care” closet. Examples of such items are deodorant, shampoo, soap, hand sanitizer, toothpaste, toothbrushes, body wash, hand sanitizer, etc. If you wish to contribute, please bring your items to church by **Palm Sunday, April 13.**



Easter Food Baskets

We are preparing Easter Food Baskets for three families in need in our community. One family has 5 (five) members and is a grandmother raising her grandchildren; the second family has 12 (twelve) members of which 10 (ten) are children; and the third family has 4 (four) including an infant.

The church will purchase ham, milk, butter, eggs, oil and Easter candy. If you wish to contribute, the sign-up sheet with the requested items is in the vestibule. You do not have to sign up to bring the total quantity for an item – please indicate the quantity that you will bring. Please bring the item(s) to church by **Palm Sunday, April 13.**

If you have any questions, please ask Laura Blake or Ann Wheeler.

“Remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’” – Acts 20:35