

Fairmount Avenue United Methodist Church

Our Vision Statement

*To be a joyful, welcoming community
igniting hearts and minds for God's work.*

a Reconciling Congregation

March 9, 2025

First Sunday in Lent

10:30am

Welcome to worship at Fairmount Avenue United Methodist Church!

We are so glad that you are worshipping with us today.

- Our service will be livestreamed. If you are concerned about your image on the livestream, the greeters can assist in finding a place to sit not visible by camera.
- We want to pray with you. Feel free to complete a prayer card located in the pew in front of you and place into the offering plate when passed, or give to an usher.
- We want to hear from you. If you have a responsive thought, question, or curiosity after the sermon, please write it down and place in the offering plate. Select Worship Response cards will be shared at the end of the service for the benefit of the congregation.
- HEARING AIDS AND LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS are available for those who prefer. Our ushers are happy to assist you.
- Nursery care is available for children ages 5 and under. Our ushers are happy to assist.
- If you are sitting at the end of a pew, please mark your name in the attendance pad and pass along to others in the pew.

PRELUDE

Jesu Meine Freude

J. S. Bach

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
Adult Choir

John Bacchus Dykes

*PRAYER OF INVITATION

UMH No. 535

Like an ant on a stick both ends of which are burning,

I go to and fro without knowing what to do,
and in great despair.

Like the inescapable shadow that follows me,

the dead weight of sin haunts me.

Graciously look upon me.

Thy love is my refuge. **Amen.**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let us greet each other in the name of the Risen Christ. Peace be with you.

And also with you.

*HYMN

“Welcome”

see insert

CHILDREN’S TIME

Children are invited to come forward as parents are comfortable.

Please note that children who come forward may be visible on the livestream.

*HYMN

“More Precious than Silver”

see insert, repeat

SCRIPTURE READING

John 12:1-8

SERMON

Loving...We Will Rise

Rev. Dr. Bruce Forbes

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Intermezzo in A Flat

Francis Poulenc

Michael Ferguson

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

UMH No. 92 vs 1

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies; Lord of all to thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.

PRAYER OF BLESSING

*HYMN

“Jesus’ Hands Were Kind Hands”

UMH No. 273

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

We now offer petitions of joy and concern from prayer cards.

Lord in your mercy... ***hear our prayer.***

In gratitude let us pray to the Lord... ***hear our prayer.***

Prayers lifted during this time are shared with our Prayer Chain, a group of individuals who have covenanted to being in prayer with and for our congregation.

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.

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Rise Up
Adult Choir

Kim Williams

POSTLUDE

Vater Unser

J. S. Bach

GO IN PEACE

**Congregation, please rise in spirit, and stand as you are comfortable.*

LAITY ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP:

Liturgist: Paul Howe

Usher: Dan Thielen, Brian Hanson

Nursery: Mike and Lori Neuberg

Counters: Andrew Lubar, Buster Griffing

Counters Next Week: Aaron Buesing, Phill Gill

Fellowship Servers: Rob & Machael Kelley

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If you have swapped serving dates, please inform the church office so that service recognition is accurate.

Thank you!

Here's What's Happening at Fairmount Avenue

YAM (Young Adult Ministries)- Meal and Spiritual Musings

TODAY, March 9 from 11:45-1:00 PM. Join us for a vegan and vegetarian light lunch. The Spiritual Musings will cover a generalized topic for all—bring your brains!

No Sunday Night Quiet- TONIGHT from 6:30pm-7:30pm. A time of guided contemplative worship and meditation. All are welcome. Come when you can.

Sunday Morning Programming: March 9

9:00am— All Ages Sunday School

9:30am&11:00am — Blood Pressure Checks

10:00am— Fellowship Time (Coffee Hour)

10:30am— Worship

This Week's Happy Birthdays go to:

- 11** Monique Clark
Rob Kelley
Kate Nelson
- 12** Elizabeth Neuhauser
Theo N.

TGIW Schedule: March 12

5:30pm— Wednesday supper

6:00pm— Children's handbell rehearsal

6:30pm— T.G.I.W. programming

6:30pm— Heritage Ringers rehearsal

FAIRMOUNT AVENUE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MINISTERS: The Congregation

Pastor

Rev. Shawna Horn

Heritage Ringers

Mindy Way-Johnson

Music/Choir Director and Organist

Michael Ferguson

Parish Nurse

Muriel Olson

Children's Ministries Director

Ashton Pappas

Custodial Ministries

Kirsten Herkenhoff

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