



Order of Worship - March 27, 2022
Fourth Sunday in Lent

We are glad you are worshipping with us today! As a part of our commitment to care for the vulnerable among us, we are asking everyone to continue to wear a mask.

Prelude Dana Scott

Welcome

Choral Call to Worship

*Opening Prayer

Holy One, God of Forgiveness,
we call out to you and
you surround us with deliverance.
You love us infinitely more than we love ourselves or others.
Open us this day to your counsel,
helping us be more merciful, more grace-filled,
so that we might rejoice in simple and good enough moments
that fill our days. Amen.

*Hymn *We Gather Together* UMH #131
Children may leave for Sunday School during this hymn.

*Prayer for Illumination
Gracious God, You are our way in the wilderness. May your Word guide us through these
forty days of Lent so that we may be reformed, restored, and renewed. Amen

Scripture Reading Luke 5:1-3, 11b-32 NT p.62
For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us, for the word of God within us.
Thanks be to God.

*Hymn *Just As I Am, Without One Plea* vv. 3,4,5 UMH #357

Sermon *We Often Believe We Are the Problem* Pastor Michelle

Choral Call to Prayer

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer UMH #895

Offering
Financial offerings can be placed in the basket by the baptismal font before or after service,
mailed to the church office, made online at www.uumcp.org/electronic-giving, or by texting an
amount you want to give to: 301-364-9236

Special Music *Amazing Grace* by Craig Courney
Aldersgate Choir

*Doxology (sung to the tune of Old 100th, UMH #95)
Praise God throughout these forty days,
Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.
And praise the Spirit who imparts God's love
In Christ into our hearts. Amen.

**We rise in body or spirit*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sermon Series Life is both incredibly hard and incredibly beautiful, and we can hold onto both at the same time. A deeper, more authentic faith begins with telling the truth to ourselves and finding the space between despair and hope, as we look for beauty and meaning and love in the midst of lives that didn't turn out how we thought that they would. The themes for this series follow:

April 3 - We Are Fragile

April 10 - The Aldersgate Choir presents "Oh Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

Prayer Stations for Lent You are invited into a time of personal prayer and meditation as you engage with prayer stations - created to enrich your Lenten journey. You may come on April 6 from 8:00- 10:00 a.m. and 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Different stations will be offered than previously.

Food for UMD Students The Terp Hub meets for dinner services on Sunday evenings. On April 4th, we will be providing their meal. We have dessert and bread, but If you are able to provide other food, please let the church office know.

TODAY March is National Women's History Month. Join us this afternoon as we gather on Zoom at 4:00, to discuss movies centered around women's lives or which have a woman director: "The Iron Lady", "Secret Life of Bees", "Hidden Figures", and "The Help". All are invited! If you need the Zoom link, please let Pastor Michelle know this morning .

Easter Sunday Would you like to help beautify our sanctuary for Easter? You may purchase flowers, using the form in the narthex. Also, we need people to bring Easter eggs filled with a toy or treat for our Easter egg hunt, which will be held after our worship on Easter Sunday. If you would like to help with the hunt, please contact the church office.

For Your Calendar

- March 27 Children's Sunday School during church
Bell Ringers rehearsal after worship
Women's Month Movie discussion; 4:00 on Zoom
April 3 Disciples' Path Class 9:15 a.m.
Celebration of Communion
Bell Ringers rehearsal following worship
April 6 Prayer Stations; 8 - 10:00 a.m., 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
April 10 Palm Sunday; Choir presents "Oh Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"; Bell Choir rehearsal following worship
April 14 Maundy Thursday; Online service from church cluster
April 15 Good Friday in person service; 7:00 p.m.
April. 17. Easter Sunday Celebration 10:30 a.m.
Fellowship and Easter egg hunt following the service

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Sundays: 10:30 a.m. Worship, in-person in the Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. Fellowship

Wednesday Zoom Prayer Call, 12:00 p.m.

Thursday Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m.

Send Prayer Requests: office@uumcp.org

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