

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

FEBRUARY 25, 2024

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Welcome to Fairport UMC! We embrace the gift of diversity of our community and our world and proclaim that all persons are created in God's image. We celebrate all ways that the human family of Christ finds its diversity. Our vision is to nurture ALL people on their life journeys and to bring God's love to the world. *Masks are currently optional. Disposable masks are available in the coatroom and narthex for those who would like one.*

CHILDREN

We are glad you are here! There is a cart in the Narthex with Children's Activity Bags. We love to have children stay in worship (wiggles and giggles are welcomed and sacred sounds). We are not currently offering a staffed nursery, but the nursery room is available and open to parents and little ones. The service is also livestreamed in the nursery so you and your child can still participate in worship! Sunday School (Children / Youth) is at 9am.

OPEN TABLE

Communion is celebrated once a month (usually on the first Sunday of the month) and all (including children) are welcome at the table. We use all gluten/dairy free bread. If you don't want to receive communion but would like a blessing, you can indicate that to the pastor.

WORSHIP ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

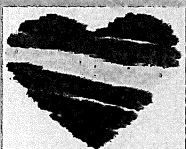
*indicates to stand in body or spirit

bold print indicates congregational response

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal (large blue hymnal)

FWS – The Faith We Sing (small black hymnal)

W&S – Worship & Song (small green hymnal)



FUMC is a Reconciling Congregation where all persons of any age, gender, gender identity, race, ethnic origin, economic reality, family status, sexual orientation, diverse ability or social status are welcome without reservation to share in God's love.



THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Wandering Heart: *"Rescue me from danger"*

MATTHEW 14:22-33 | PSALM 22:23-31

— GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE —

It's time to celebrate; we are in the presence of God.

We invite you to prepare your hearts to receive God's love.

The chimes call us to gather.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Return to You
from A Sanctified Art

Olgun

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God welcomes the dreamers and the doubters,

the courageous and the fearful,

the hungry and the hopeful,

the impatient and the reserved.

God welcomes the young and the old,

the poets and the prophets,

the faithful and the tired,

the curious and the convicted.

Wherever you are on your journey,

wherever your boat is at sea,

there is room for all to gather here.

This is God's house.

Let us worship the one whom even the seas obey.

*HYMN

Give to the Winds Thy Fears

UMH 129

— LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD —

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Gracious God,

There are days that threaten to swallow us,

days when the storms of life feel too big.

In those moments, we often cling to the sides of our ships in fear,

spending more energy hiding from storms than looking for you.

Forgive us for doubting ourselves.

Forgive us for doubting you.

Rescue us from the storms of today and from the fears that trap us.

With hope in our hearts we pray, Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 22:23-31

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!**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE (10:30)

*PASSING THE PEACE

*HYMN

Stand By Me

UMH 512

*GOSPEL READING

Matthew 14:22-33

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!**

MESSAGE

Wandering Heart: Rescue me from danger

Rev. Richelle Goff

— RESPONDING IN LOVE —

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

(9:00)

Carry Me

Büda

Early Choir

(10:30)

Deep, Deep Love

Dengler

Chancel Choir

***DOXOLOGY**

UMH 400, vs. 2

**Here I raise mine Ebenezer, hither by thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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.**

***You are invited to use a name for God that is most meaningful to you.**

— MOVING IN GOD'S WAY —

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**I believe in a God who moves toward me when storms rage.
I believe in a God who invites me to be brave.
I believe in a God whom the wind and waves obey.
I believe in a God who knows my name.
I believe in a God of love. I am not afraid.
Amen.**

***HYMN**

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

UMH 474

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Premier Kyrie

Corrette

Let us take these few moments for preparation,
for worship is over the service begins.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Those suffering from mental illness and their families.
- For Andy Schaefer and his family on the recent passing of his mother Elsa.
- For Betty Brandt who is recovering from eye surgery.
- For people everywhere dealing with extreme weather and hazardous conditions.
- For peace in our world, instead of war, oppression, injustice, and violence.
- For the Middle East, Ukraine and other countries in the midst of the horror of war.

We continue our prayers for those who are in need of continued healing

Becky Gualtieri, Susan Grau, Ed Lewek, Barb George,
Shirley Robinson, John Pattison, Chip Rieck, Sandy Baldwin, Carol & Frank Mueller,
Courtney & Joshua Pedersen, Judy Darrer, Jeff Latsha, Pat Hemmenway, John Hall,
Jen Simpson, Marlene Beisler, Jean McFarland, Lindsey

We pray for all those who are homebound or in nursing homes

Shirley Ward, Cindy Jack, Carol Snow, Ruth Howard, Cindy Stanton,
Emmet and Marge Vanderburgh, Wally Robinson (CT), Dave and Carolyn Hebert (KY)

FLOWERS IN WORSHIP

Today's flowers are from Nancy Beaman for her sister's birthday,
"Happy Birthday Tracy!"

SERVICE MUSIC TEXTS

Return to You

*I've read the stories of heartache and of glory. I've prayed every prayer for you.
And I've tasted glory because you say we're worthy. I've sung every song for you.
But I have a wandering heart and a fickle faith.*

Can you find me here, can I see your face?

REFRAIN:

*Help me return to you. There's nothing I'd rather do than return to you,
There's nothing I'd rather do.*

*The storm may rise, the trumpet sound, the curtain tear, and even now,
Return to you, there's nothing I'd rather do than return to you.*

*I'll leave the boat, but when the storm comes, I'll let go and I'll sink faster than a stone.
And I've called your name when the world is full of pain,*

But I still need to see your hands.

Cause I have a wandering heart and a fickle faith.

Can you find me here, can I see your face?

REFRAIN

SERVICE MUSIC TEXTS CONT.

Carry Me

*Lord, in the dawn of the morning when day begins anew,
Oh, grant me Your mercy til night falls, each moment trusting in You.
Carry me in Your arms of love.*

*Teach me to rest as You hold me, secure in Your perfect peace.
With joy, may my heart always follow, wherever You may lead.
Carry me in Your arms of love.*

*Oh, to live by faith, in truth and grace, in light of who You are;
To trust You more with unwavering joy, Lord, as You carry me.*

*Lord, be my peace in these moments when waves roll over me,
Not just when the storm has subsided, but only then to believe.
Carry me in Your arms of love.*

Deep, Deep Love

*Deeper than the nails driven into His hands,
Is the love of a Father who gives His only Son.
Deeper than the thorns pressing into His brow,
Is the love of a Son who died for everyone.*

*Love, so amazing, deep, deep love.
Love, so divine, deep, deep love.
Love never failing to hear my call
Demands my soul, my life, my all.*

*Deeper than the spear piercing into His side,
Is the love of God who takes away my sin.
Deeper than the pain of the mob's bitter words
Is the love of the Savior who only says "forgive".*

*Love, so amazing, deep, deep love.
Love, so divine, deep, deep love.
Love never failing to hear my call
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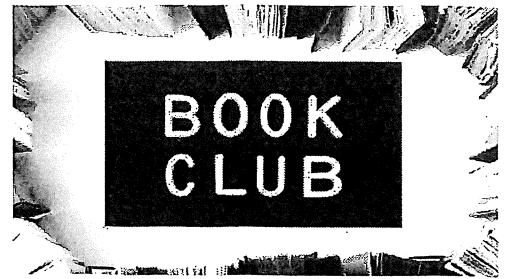
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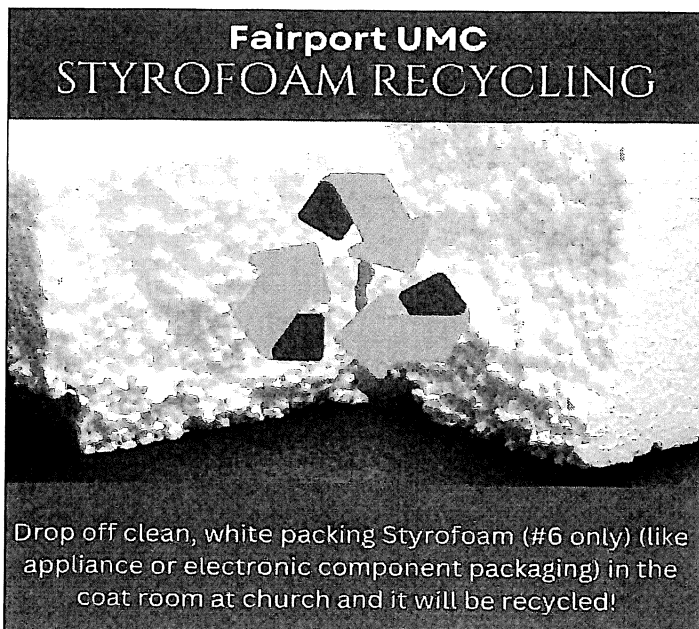
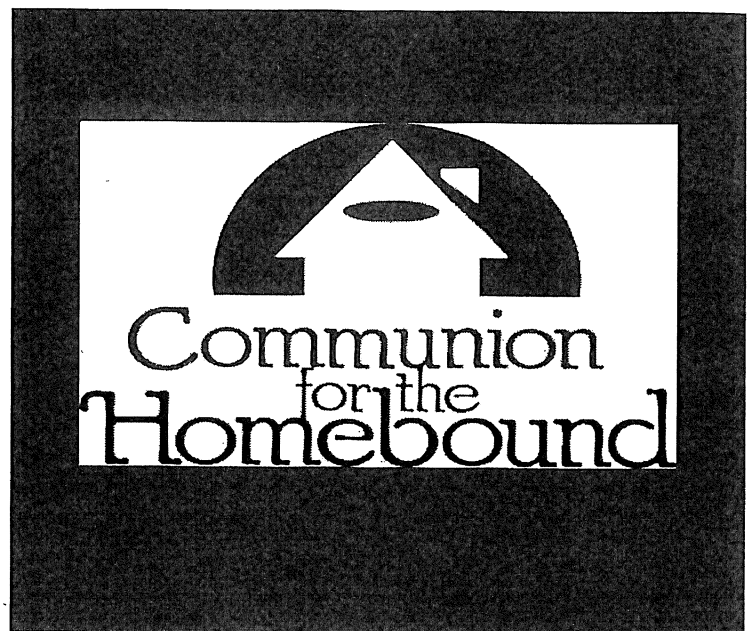
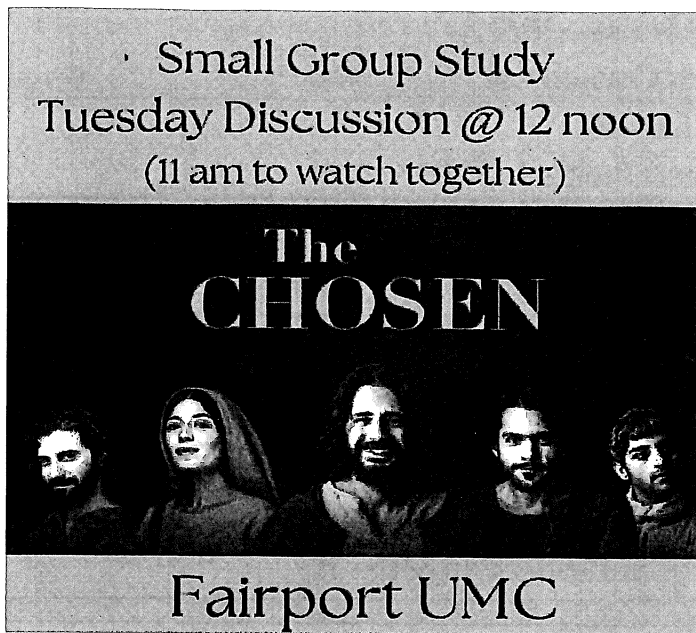
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ANNOUNCEMENTS



UWF Book Club will meet on Monday, February 26 at the Fairport Library at 4 pm.

All are welcome.



Did you know that we have a team of dedicated members who help to extend the communion table by bringing the elements to those who are unable to come to church each communion Sunday?

We are looking to have a few more volunteers who feel called to serve in this way. If you are interested we will offer a training so you are fully equipped.

Please contact Vicki Deady at vdeady@rochester.rr.com if you are interested!

SPIRITUAL GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP THIS WEEK

Sunday, February 25	8am 9am 9am & 10:30am 11:45am 12:30pm 4pm 5pm	Early Choir - 113, S Sunday School & Adult Forum Worship New Member Class - P Sunday Dinner - K / FH Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group Beyond These Walls Visit
Monday, February 26	1pm 7pm 7:30pm	Godmothers Group - 204 Boy Scouts - FH Men's Bible Study
Tuesday, February 27	10am 11am 6:30pm 7pm	Staff Meeting - P The Chosen Video / Discussion - 204 Joyful Noise - 206, S Church Council - P
Wednesday, February 28	11:30am 7pm	Joy Club - P Chancel Choir - 113, S
Thursday, February 29	6:30pm	Bell Choir - S
Friday, March 1	10:30am	Heart Listening Small Group
Saturday, March 2	12pm	Al Anon - FH
Sunday, March 3	8am 9am 9am & 10:30am 11:45am 6pm	Early Choir - 113, S 1st Sunday Fellowship, Sun. School & Adult Forum Worship Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group Boy Scout Leadership Mtg - P

MINISTERS AND STAFF OF FUMC

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HELPING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Livestream Operator: Tom Deever

Readers: 9am - Kevin Gordon 10:30am - Sam Pfund

Feed the Spirit: Lorraine Rieck and Nancy Beaman