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2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 1, 2026

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## 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. *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. 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!  
Note: Sunday School (children/youth/adult) during the school year is at 9am.

## OPEN TABLE

Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of the month and all, including children, are welcome at the table. We use 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 chimes call us to gather as we prepare our hearts to worship God.*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all! **And also with you!**

PRELUDE

*Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee*

Harmon

CALL TO WORSHIP

In the wilderness,

**we will lift up our eyes.**

In the wilderness,

**our help comes from God:**

Our God who made the wilderness;

**Our God who inhabits the wilderness.**

God is our keeper;

**God is our shade and shelter. Let us praise God together.**

\*HYMN

*This Is a Day of New Beginnings*

UMH 383  
verses 1,2,3,5

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Loving God, help us. When we have run away, when we have turned our backs on love, when we have sought immediate satisfaction and not long-term healing, help us. Merciful God, forgive us. When we have been selfish, when we have been mean, when we have neglected the cries of others, forgive us. Powerful God, heal us. When we are so broken we cannot move, when we don't know how to stem the bleeding of our wounds, when we are too ashamed to seek community, heal us. Give us the courage, the strength, and the hope to accept your grace and embrace your call in Christ. Amen.**

WORDS OF GRACE

In the mercy of God, whose promises never fail, we are forgiven and freed to live as people who have generously received.

**And so we must generously share God's gracious gift of new life with all we encounter. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 12:1-4a

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)

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

OFFERTORY

(9:00)

*Carry Me*  
Early Choir

Büda

(10:30)

*The Spirit Makes All Things New*  
Chancel Choir

Choplin

\*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

**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

**Faithful God of New Beginnings, you call us to trust in what we cannot yet see, to follow where you lead, even when the road is unclear. In the shadows of our questions and the uncertainty of our understanding, you meet us with grace, not condemnation. You meet us with love freely given, not earned. Receive now these gifts we offer - not as payment or proof, but as signs of our hope and our gratitude. Use them to share your transforming love with a world still searching in the dark. In the name of your Son we pray. Amen.**

\*HYMN

*Womb of Life*

FWS 2046

\*GOSPEL READING

John 3:1-17

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

*Born Again*

Pastor Sam Smith

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

FWS 2257

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise ...**

*FWS 2257 parts (b) – (d) are sung responsively.*

*“Hosanna in the highest!” is sung in unison each time.*

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.**

GIVING THE BREAD & CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

\*HYMN

*Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing*

UMH 671

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Premier Kyrie*

Corrette

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

**FLOWERS IN WORSHIP**

are from Jerry & Karen Felgenhour.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- For our country, and for peace in our world.

*We pray for those who are in need of continued healing*

**FUMC Members:** Ed Lewek, Bob Grow, Courtney Pedersen, Andy Jamison, Marty Schuh, Betty Brandt, the Osmer family, JoAnn Price-Woodin, Roger Woodin

**Family / Friends:** Becky Gualtieri, Susan Grau, Shirley Robinson, Heather Malvarosa, David Klein, Sandy, Dave, Lexi, Cheve Petrivelli, Annette Galloway, Barb, Art Nelson, Hannah, Audrey

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

Gary Nelson, Carol Snow, Cindy Stanton, Marge Vanderburgh, Wally Robinson (CT), Carolyn Hebert (KY)

### *Prayer request from Sanctuary House*

**Imani** – for my health as I am battling cancer (leukemia).

**Vanessa** – for my health as I am healing from lung cancer; to find housing that I can afford; for John, my husband.

**Noah** – for my family to get a house and for us to be safe. Amen!

**Tellie** – for the safety of my family, my children, my husband, and my sisters; prayers for love and support and peace and faith.

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Prayer of dedication adapted from UMC Discipleship Ministries.

## SERVICE MUSIC TEXTS

### **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.*

### **The Spirit Makes All Things New**

*As warmth bring new blossoms to trees in the spring  
And rains bring renewal to all living things,  
In every heart that is open and true, the Spirit can make all things new.  
Follow the Spirit and find your place. Come to the source of renewal and grace.  
Bring your heart that is open and true. The Spirit can make all things new.*

*All who believe and live in Christ, they are a new creation.  
Behold, the old things are passed away. Behold, all things are made new.*

*Lord, when we're burdened with sin and regret,  
Come to forgive us and help us forget.  
Through our confession and healing You prove:  
Your Spirit can make all things new.*

*Rejoice, for the morning's a gift from the Lord.  
Claim the new life that's renewed and restored.  
Live in the present, rejoice in the truth.  
The Spirit can make all things new.*

*So let us live in the present, rejoice in the truth.  
We pray, "Spirit, come, let Your will be done."  
Come, Spirit, and make us new.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



*...to Rob Grau, Sid Bater, Ed Caskey and Mark Renfro for moving furniture out of the Senior High Youth room so the floors could be refinished - and then moving it all back!!*

*(PS. The floor looks great Jamie!)*

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Interested in being an usher or reader once in a while?

**USHERS READERS**

Contact the church office!

office@larpportume.org  
223-9560

**Lenten Lunch Group**

Thursdays at 12 noon in the Parlor

Lectioary based discussions

Bring your own lunch

Begins Thursday, February 19th

**Euchre Tournament**

Saturday, **March 7**, UMM will host the next **Euchre Tournament**. Doors open at **3:30pm**. Play will begin at **4:00pm**. There is **no cost** to play and all are welcome. Contact Eric / Joy Leinenbach for more information.

**Emily Kielbasinski** is presenting a voice recital here at FUMC on **Saturday, March 7 at 7pm**. (Emily is Joy Leinenbach's niece!)

She is a local performer and musician, and her recital will celebrate trailblazing female composers.

She is calling it "**Shattering the Glass**". The recital is free and open to the public!

*For more information on these announcements and more, please see our weekly e-news!*

## SPIRITUAL GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP THIS WEEK

<b>Sunday, March 1</b>	8am 9am 10:30am 12:30pm 4pm 5pm 6pm	Early Choir - 113 Worship, Adult Forum (204), Sunday School Worship Sunday Dinner – K only Bike Trip Mtg 1 – FH Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group   Parent Chat – 204 Scout Leaders – P
<b>Monday, March 2</b>	1pm 7pm	Godmothers – 204 Ruth Circle – P   Scouts - FH
<b>Tuesday, March 3</b>	10am Noon 6:30pm 7pm	Staff Meeting – P Tuesday Small Group – 204 Joyful Noise – 206 SPRC – 204/Zoom
<b>Wednesday, March 4</b>	1pm 5:45pm 7pm	Caring Ministries – P Amplify the Light Small Group – 204 Chancel Choir – 113, S
<b>Thursday, March 5</b>	Noon 6:30pm	Lenten Lunch Group – P Bell Choir – S
<b>Friday, March 6</b>	10:30am	Heart Listening Small Group (offsite)
<b>Saturday, March 7</b>	Noon 3:30pm 7pm	Al Anon – FH Euchre Tournament – FH Emily Kielbasinski Voice Recital – S
<b>Sunday, March 8 (Spring Ahead!)</b>	9am 10:30am 11:45am	Worship, Adult Forum (204), Sunday School Worship Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group – Tubing

### MINISTERS AND STAFF OF FUMC

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### HELPING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

**Livestream Operator: Julie Woodruff**

**Readers: 9am – Ryan Boyce 10:30am – Ellie Robinson**

Thank you to this week's **Feed the Spirit** volunteers.