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3RD SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 8, 2026

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 would prefer not to receive communion but would like a blessing, please indicate that to the pastor.

WORSHIP ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

*indicates to stand as you are able

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

I've Got Peace Like a River

Powell

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, let us sing to Yahweh;

Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come into the Divine presence with thanksgiving;

Let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!

It is good to give you thanks, O Yahweh;

To sing praises to your name, O Most High;

to declare your steadfast love in the morning,

and your faithfulness by night,

to the music of the lute and harp,

to the melody of the lyre.

For you, O God, have made us glad by your work;

At the works of your hands we sing for joy.

*HYMN

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

UMH 127

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, hear the prayers of your thirsting people. For every time we have attributed your miracles in our lives to our own hands alone,

Forgive us, we pray.

For every time we promised to trust you but turned to our own way when your response did not come soon enough or in the way we expected,

Grant us mercy, O God.

For the many opportunities to extend forgiveness that we have refused,

Show us what it means to love, again, dear Lord.

For each way we put our own understandings above your wisdom, for each time we resist your command to be reconciled with those who believe differently from us,

Direct us in the way of peace, we pray.

For our silent sins, quiet acts of violence, and indifference to the suffering round us, **Forgive us, Loving One, and quench our thirst with your grace; remake us into vessels of tenderness and compassion. For Christ's sake we pray. Amen.**

WORDS OF GRACE

Because of God's great love for us, we have peace with God and access to God's grace all through Jesus Christ who, while we were still sinners, died to free us from the bondage of sin. Therefore, we may ask of Christ to give us the living water that quenches the dryness of our souls. In this we know we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 17:1-7

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!**

ANTHEM (10:30)

Come Just As You Are
Chancel Choir

Sabolick

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:30)

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

OFFERTORY

Morning Has Broken

Keesecker

*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

Steadfast God of Hope, you have called us to rejoice - not in ease or achievement - but in the grace that sustains us through suffering, the love that meets us in struggle, and the hope that does not disappoint. You pour your Spirit into our hearts, shaping us into a people who give not out of obligation, but out of gratitude. As we bring these gifts, may they testify to your presence among us and to the promise of reconciliation you offer freely. Make us bold in our sharing, joyful in our worship, and confident in your grace. In the name of the one who lived for us and lives within us, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN

When We Are Called to Sing Your Praise

FWS 2216

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.

*GOSPEL READING

John 4:5-29

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

Something Different

Rev. Steven M Smith

*HYMN

God Has Work for Us to Do

see insert

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Manz

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

Thank you to Rev. Steven M. Smith for being our guest speaker today!

FLOWERS IN WORSHIP

are from Sarah Steffler, in loving memory of our
grandmother & great grandmother, Nancy Alexander.

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Prayer of Confession and Words of Grace from Rev. Renee Jackson ("Thirsting for Grace"),

Prayer of Dedication adapted from UMC Discipleship Ministries

PRAYER REQUESTS

- For Monica Manske, who broke her ankle (Lorie Stannard).
- For Bob, who is recovering from surgery (Holly Warren).
- 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, Betty Brandt, the Osmers 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)

SERVICE MUSIC TEXT

Come Just As You Are

*Come just as you are; hear the Spirit call. Come just as you are;
Come and see; come, receive; come and live forever.*

*Life everlasting and strength for today;
Taste the Living Water, and never thirst again.*

*Come just as you are; hear the Spirit call. Come just as you are;
Come, receive Christ, the King; Come and live forever.*


ANNOUNCEMENTS



...to Brook Richardson and Mike Goff for helping to clear the walkways and the ramp of snow last month, and to Ken Fischer for also helping with snow removal and for facilitating the purchase / delivery of more snow melt product.

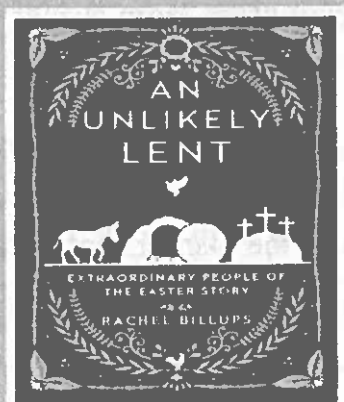
Adult Forum

Sundays at 9am

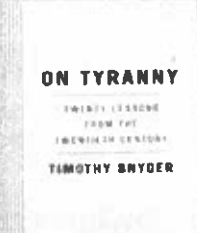


Fairport United Methodist Church
Room 204 and Zoom


TUESDAY SMALL GROUP



TUESDAYS IN LENT
STARTING FEB. 24TH
12 NOON - 1PM
ROOM 204 & ZOOM




Amplify the Light



Wednesdays at
5:45pm and Zoom
in Room 204

*"The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness has
not overcome it".*
John 1:5



Lenten Lunch Group




Thursdays at
12 noon in the
Parlor

Lectionary based
discussions

Bring your own lunch

Begins Thursday, February 19th

Personal Care Items for Sanctuary House



ITEMS REQUESTED:
deodorant, body wash (travel size), shampoo (travel size),
toothbrushes, toothpaste, tampons, sanitary pads,
women's underwear in all sizes, bras in all sizes.

Repair Cafe

2nd and 4th Thursdays from 5-7pm
(2nd Thursday *only* in November and December)
at Fairport United Methodist Church
1100 N. Main St., Fairport, NY 14450
Call Clara at 716-326-2222

A Repair Cafe is a place to:

- repair worn or broken items with the help of a skilled neighbor
- give new life to an item so you do not have to replace it
- keep things out of the landfill

Bring: zippers, torn clothing, picture frames, toys, coffee pots, clocks, things that "click" on and off, computer IT questions

If we can't help you, we will work together to find a solution.

repaircafe.org/en colorfairportgreen.org



There is a donation box in the coatroom.

Thursday, March 12th

PRAYER VIGIL

MARCH 8, 2026, 2:00 PM

Today!

Today!

All Are Welcome to Join the Sisters of St. Joseph
in Peaceful Prayer & Community at the
Immigration Detention Center in Batavia



Please, No Signs, No Chanting.


Parking is limited; car pooling is recommended
RSVP appreciated. Email hrockwell@ssjrochester.org

ICE Detention Center
4250 Federal Drive, Batavia, NY



*Sing in
Early or Chancel
Choir for
Easter!*

Contact Nicole if you'd like to
sing! (nicole@fairportumc.org)



March is when many schools have spring
musical performances and concerts. It is a very
busy time for students who are involved in
those productions. This is also the time of year
for All County music festivals.

Best wishes to all of our young musicians during
"March Musical Madness"!

SPIRITUAL GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP THIS WEEK

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| Sunday, March 8 | 9am 10:30am 11:45am | Worship, Adult Forum (204), Sunday School Worship Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group |
| Monday, March 9 | 1pm 7pm | Godmothers – 204 UWIF Leaders – P, Scouts - FH |
| Tuesday, March 10 | 10am Noon 6:30pm 7pm 7:30pm | Staff Meeting – P Tuesday Small Group – 204 Joyful Noise – 206 Worship – P Finance – 204 / Zoom |
| Wednesday, March 11 | 11:30am 5:45pm 7pm | Joy Club – P Amplify the Light Small Group – 204 Chancel Choir – 113, S |
| Thursday, March 12 | 9:30am Noon 5pm 6:30pm 7pm | Naomi Circle – P Lenten Lunch Group – P Repair Café – P Bell Choir – S Social Justice – Zoom |
| Friday, March 13 | 10:30am | Heart Listening Small Group (offsite) |
| Saturday, March 14 | Noon | Al Anon – FH |
| Sunday, March 15 | 9am 10:30am 4pm | Worship, Adult Forum (204), Sunday School Worship Confirmation Class Sr. High Youth Group |

MINISTERS AND STAFF OF FUMC

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HELPING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Livestream Operator: Ken Fischer

Readers: 9am - Lori Lorraine 10:30am - Tobin Woodruff

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

God Has Work for Us to Do



1. 'Til all the jails are
 2. 'Til age and race and
 3. By pray - ing through our



emp - ty _____ and all the bell - ies
 gen - der _____ no long - er sep - a -
 do - ing, _____ and sing - ing though we



filled; _____ 'til no one hurts or
 rate; _____ 'til pul - pit, press, and
 fear, _____ by trust - ing that the



steals or lies, and no more blood is
 pol - i - tics are free of greed and
 seed we sow will bring God's har - vest



spilled: _____ God _____ has work for us to do,
 hate:
 near:

God _____ has work for us to do, 'til
 God's will is done, and all things are made new,
 God _____ has work for us, _____ work for us to
 1., 2. do! 3. do!

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics. The second staff contains the melody for the second line. The third staff contains the melody for the third line. The fourth staff contains the melody for the final line, which includes a first ending (1., 2.) and a second ending (3.).

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