

Scripture Reading: Luke 23:26-34

²⁶As the soldiers led him away, they seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. ²⁷A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him. ²⁸Jesus turned and said to them, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For the time will come when you will say, 'Blessed are the childless women, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' ³⁰Then "they will say to the mountains, "Fall on us!" and to the hills, "Cover us!"

³¹For if people do these things when the tree is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

³²Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. ³³When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. ³⁴Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

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Love, Hope, a place to Belong

Pastor Bill Hoffman

March 10, 1st Sunday of Lent

UMH (United Methodist Hymnal) **FWS** (Faith We Sing)

(**Indicates for Congregation to stand if able)

(Please sign the pew pad)

Welcome

****Call to Worship**

Liturgist: Chris Dietz

L: Refuge Almighty, Fortress Most High,

P: Deliverer, Dwelling Place, and Protector,

L: Be a tent on our wilderness journeys.

P: Send your angels as our guides, that we may find you, find ourselves, and remember who we are.

Time of Reflection

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

Pianist: Joel Blair

****Opening Songs**

#2070 He Is Exalted / In Christ Alone

Children's Sermon

Dean Murray

Joys and Concerns / Pastoral Prayer

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.

****Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Choir

How Can I Keep from Singing

Scripture:

Luke 23:26-34

Message

Father, Forgive Them

Pastor Bill Hoffman

Giving of Our Tithes and Offering

****Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below, praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

****Offertory Prayer**

God of signs and wonders, from the first fruit of the ground, we offer you our gifts. Cultivate good things in us, we pray, for the sake of the world you love. Amen.

****Hymn (UMH) #297**

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Prayer for Living Expectantly

Gracious and Life-Giving God,

- Pour out your Holy Spirit, like a mighty wind and tongues of fire, to unleash our churches to see kingdom visions, to dream your dreams, and to prophesy to your saving grace and justice.
- Revive the power of the gospel in the hearts of our clergy and lay leadership and prosper their words and works, so that all nations may hear the good news in their own tongues.
- Boldly use me, without limits, delays or excuses, to be a living praise and witness to your love throughout all the earth and a blessing to all creation.
- Create in me an expectant heart, eager to receive your Spirit gifts and guidance to the glory of Jesus Christ, in whose precious and powerful name I pray. Amen.

Benediction / Greeting/ Postlude

Fellowship: Please join us for fellowship time following the service downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. **Nursery:** Available for your use.