

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:18-25

¹⁸ Yet what we suffer now is nothing compared to the glory he will reveal to us later. ¹⁹ For all creation is waiting eagerly for that future day when God will reveal who his children really are. ²⁰ Against its will, all creation was subjected to God's curse. But with eager hope, ²¹ the creation looks forward to the day when it will join God's children in glorious freedom from death and decay. ²² For we know that all creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. ²³ And we believers also groan, even though we have the Holy Spirit within us as a foretaste of future glory, for we long for our bodies to be released from sin and suffering. We, too, wait with eager hope for the day when God will give us our full rights as his adopted children, including the new bodies he has promised us. ²⁴ We were given this hope when we were saved. (If we already have something, we don't need to hope for it. ²⁵ But if we look forward to something we don't yet have, we must wait patiently and confidently.)

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PINE ISLAND

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Pastor Bill Hoffman

March 15, 2020 ~ 3rd Sunday in Lent

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

(**Indicates for Congregation to stand if able)

(Please sign the pew pad)

Welcome

Time of Reflection: God, That Madest Earth and Heaven Pianist: Joel Blair

****Call to Worship**

Liturgist: Jennifer Jesseph

L: O come, let us sing to our God
and make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

**P: We lift our hearts and voices in joy and thanksgiving
for being here together in the presence of our beloved God.**

L: Come, let us worship this amazing God, for we belong to God.

P: We will listen for God's word and live in the hope it inspires.

AMEN

****Opening Songs**

Days of Elijah

When It's All Been Said and Done

Children's Time

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: Give Thanks to the Lord

Scripture: Romans 8:18-25

Message: We Have Nothing to Fear But Fear Itself! Pastor Bill

Celebration of Holy Communion

(Please Bring Gifts and Offerings as You Come Forward For Communion)

****Sending Song: In Christ Alone**

****Breakthrough Prayer**

Gracious God of Light, lead your Pine Island United Methodist Church to break through our barriers and distractions in new and miraculous ways. Help us discern:

- How you are calling this church to dream
- What you are calling this church to be
- Who you are calling this church to reach

We know you are able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine. Give us courage and use us boldly in your God-sized plans. Amen.

****Benediction / Greeting / Postlude**

Fellowship: Please join us for fellowship time following the service downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.

Nursery: Available for your use.

Ushers: Gillard Family