

Stepping Stones in Our Journey with Christ



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S i x S t e p s t o a G e n e r o u s L i f e

Adapted from a series created by Bob Crossman

Part 3: A Life of Sharing

March 20, 2022



WASHINGTON
STREET

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The congregation of Washington Street UMC praises and serves God from the heart of the city in ways that reach our neighbors near and far. We welcome and affirm all who seek the love and mercy of Christ regardless of race, creed, age, gender, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or economic status. We honor traditions as rooted in our history, our expression of worship, and our respect for theological curiosity. We nonetheless see vital change and ongoing renewal as essential for spiritual growth.

WASHINGTON STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

3rd Sunday in Lent
March 20, 2022

11:00 AM - Sanctuary

Liturgical Color: Purple, symbolizing both penitence and royalty.

(As our worship begins, please silence any electronic devices.

Portable hearing devices are available in the Narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.)

GATHERING IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

Con moto maestoso from *Sonata III, Op. 65, No. 3*

Felix Mendelssohn

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come, because we seek our God.

All: Every morning, every day, every evening, every moment, God is with us.

One: We come, because we hunger for Christ.

All: Jesus will feed us with hope, will replace our emptiness with grace.

One: We come, because we thirst for the Spirit.

All: Who fills our yearning for peace, who ends the drought of justice. Thanks be to God. Amen

*HYMN #577

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

Words: Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930

Music: John Hughes, 1907

*INVOCATION

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.

CHILDREN DISMISSED FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

MINISTRY MOMENT

Witness

Alan-Jon Zupan

SOLO

He That Is Down Need Fear No Fall

R. Vaughan Williams

Soloist: Karly Shorter

Flute: Rebecca Rebl

*DOXOLOGY #95

OLD 100th

Words: Thomas Ken, 1674

Music: Attr. to Louis Bourgeois, 1551

ANTHEM

Create In Me

Terre Johnson

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #885

*THE GLORIA PATRI #70

MEINEKE

Words: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th cent.

Music: Charles Meineke, 1844

*SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 1:6-9, 19-20, 26-28, 35-42

SERMON

“Stepping Stones In Our Journey to Christ”
Part Three: “A Life of Sharing”

Rev. Becky Shirley

*HYMN #2196 (The Faith We Sing)

We Walk by Faith

MARTYRDOM

Words: Henry Alfred, alt. (Mark 9:24; John 20:27-29)

Music: Attr. to Hugh Wilson

*BENEDICTION

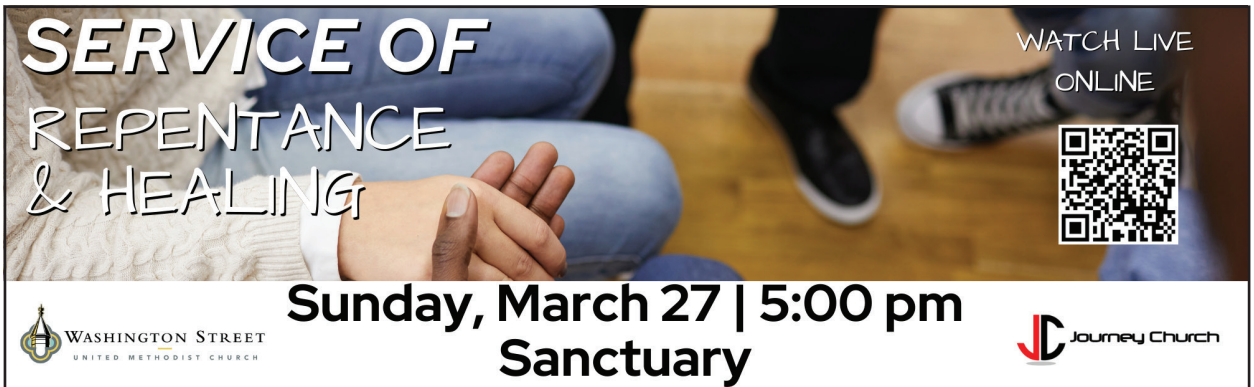
CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

Improvisation

**Congregation standing. If standing is uncomfortable, please remain seated and continue your participation.*

When our worship ends, our service begins!

A banner for a church service. The background is a photograph of people's hands clasped in prayer. Overlaid on the left is the text "SERVICE OF REPENTANCE & HEALING" in large, white, outlined letters. On the right, it says "WATCH LIVE ONLINE" above a QR code. At the bottom, it says "Sunday, March 27 | 5:00 pm Sanctuary". On the far left is the Washington Street United Methodist Church logo, and on the far right is the Journey Church logo.

**SERVICE OF
REPENTANCE
& HEALING**

WATCH LIVE
ONLINE

**Sunday, March 27 | 5:00 pm
Sanctuary**

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Journey Church

As we continue on our Lenten journey, we join our hearts and spirits in prayer for the devastation occurring in the country of Ukraine and the trauma experienced by people around the world because of the violence that is taking place. We pray for an end to violence, comfort for the mourning and frightened, and the emergence of strong leadership to rise against tyranny and injustice.

UKRAINE RELIEF

In addition to prayer, you might choose to make a financial contribution to the efforts of our denomination's relief agency, the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), which is in communication with partners in the region and actively exploring the coordination of humanitarian response in Ukraine.

You may read more about the mission by visiting <https://umcmmission.org/news-statements/appeal-for-peace-in-russia-ukraine-conflict>, or by scanning the QR code with your phone's camera.



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PRAYER THOUGHT

Prayer always gets through to God no matter where a person might be.

PRAYER LIST

Thom Berry
 Martha Boynton
 Heidi Conte
 Mickey Epting
 Michelle Graham
 Rev. Paul Harmon
 Bud Harrelson

Karen Horne
 Geneva Hutchinson
 Debby Joyner
 Rev. Judy King
 Martha Helen King
 Mike LeFever
 Paul McClanahan

David Middleton
 Lauren, Greg, and Nora
 Blair Middleton and
 family
 Genie & Ron Quinn
 Rufus Rogers
 Rick Rowe

Boyd Saunders
 Stephanie Saunders
 Sarah Threatt
 Edee Vaughan
 Kelly Wright
 Our homebound

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Rev. Becky Shirley and the entire Washington Street Church family express our deepest sympathy and Christian love to Rose Dangerfield and Gayle Aycock in the passing of Rose's father, Richard Dangerfield on March 12.

and to

Jean and Kirby Leitner and their children, Leslie and Kirby, in the passing of Jean's mother, Ann Gilchrist Whitmire on March 15.

SAVE THE DATE!***In the Upper Room****The story of the Last Supper*

by Georgiana Summers

Thursday, April 14 | Threatt Hall**SERVING TODAY**

Usher
 Sound/Video
 Visitor Cards
 Pew Maintenance
 Nursery

Tommy Betenbaugh
 Grant Jackson/Lynn Shirley
 Suzanne Joye
 Worship Team
 Shelley Stafford

STEWARDSHIP REPORT**(as of 3-17-22):****Church Budget: TBD—PENDING FINANCE****COMMITTEE APPROVAL**

Church Actual: \$101,005

Soup Cellar: \$12,410

Foundation Gifts: \$250

Attendance on 3/13/22: 102 (in-person); 119 (Online as of 3-17-22); TOTAL = 221

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