

# Stepping Stones in Our Journey with Christ



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*Adapted from a series created by Bob Crossman*

## Part 4: A Life of Generosity

March 27, 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

4th Sunday in Lent  
March 27, 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

*Elegy*

Sir C. Hubert H. Parry

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: As people of hope and wonder, as people of peace and joy, as disciples of Jesus, wandering his Way—let's get ready to worship God!

**All: We are ready to pray. We are ready to sing. We are ready to hear the Bible lesson as it is read.**

One: Are you ready for the Spirit to remind you of all the moments of blessing that have filled your life?

**All: We are ready to give witness to the blessings we have received from God. Our witness will be given as we share our time, our talent, our treasures and our words.**

One: Come, then and let us worship our God! Amen.

\*HYMN #378

*Amazing Grace*

AMAZING GRACE

Words: John Newton, 1779

Music: 19th cent. USA melody; harm. by Edwin O. Excell, 1900

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

Financial Giving

Joe Epting

SOLO

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*  
Soloist: Bob Evans

Dan Forrest

\*DOXOLOGY #95

Words: Thomas Ken, 1674  
Music: Attr. to Louis Bourgeois, 1551

OLD 100th

**\*A LENTEN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**We believe in God — The Creator of the universe;**

**who gives us steadfast love, and shares with us our joy. Our God sustains us in our weakness, and empowers us with strength.**

**We follow Jesus Christ, God's Son. In Him the Word became flesh; in Him we find forgiveness, renewal from failure, reconciliation from brokenness, and release from despair. His resurrection is our hope and we are saved through Him.**

**We are guided by the Holy Spirit, God's presence in the world.**

**That same Spirit calls us to be the Church, to celebrate love, to seek justice and resist evil to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen.**

**We are disciples, pilgrim people.**

**We joyfully covenant to walk together in love.**

**To live in fellowship, in life, in death, in life beyond death.**

**God is with us! We are not alone! Thanks be to God!**

**\*THE GLORIA PATRI #70**

MEINEKE

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

Music: Charles Meineke, 1844

**ANTHEM**

*My Song Is Love Unknown*

Edwin T. Childs

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

2 Corinthians 8:1-15

**SERMON**

“Stepping Stones In Our Journey to Christ”  
Part Four: “A Life of Generosity”

Rev. Becky Shirley

**\*HYMN #384**

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

HYFRYDOL

Words: Charles Wesley, 1747

Music: Rowland H. Prichard, 1830; harm. from The English Hymnal, 1906

**\*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!*

Service of  
REPENTANCE & HEALING



WASHINGTON STREET  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

TONIGHT!



Journey Church

Sunday, March 27 | 5:00 pm

**Reverend Becky J. Shirley**  
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Pianist

## PRAYER THOUGHT

Prayer when you are worried. Prayer puts everything in perspective.

## 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



by Georgiana Summers

## *The story of the Last Supper*

**Maundy Thursday, April 14, 2022 | 7:00 pm | Threatt Hall**

### SERVING TODAY

Usher  
Sound/Video  
Visitor Cards  
Pew Maintenance  
Nursery

Tommy Betenbaugh  
Charles Garren/Spencer Stevens  
Suzanne Joye  
Worship Team  
Shelley Stafford

### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

(as of 3-24-22):  
**Church Budget: TBD—PENDING FINANCE COMMITTEE APPROVAL**  
Church Actual: \$109,938  
Soup Cellar: \$13,389  
Foundation Gifts: \$250

**Attendance on 3/20/22: 117 (in-person); 102 (Online as of 3-25-22); TOTAL = 219**

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