

QUESTIONS



We Ask God

Is the Bible Reliable?

February 25, 2024

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.



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2nd Sunday of Lent | Feb. 25, 2024 | Purple

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

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

PRELUDE

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The Bible touches mind and soul

All: with human language we can feel;

One: the Word, indwelling, makes us whole

All: and heals the hurt we would conceal.

(The Bible Sings a Better Way by Daniel Charles Damon, verse 4)

*HYMN #598

O Word of God Incarnate

MUNICH

MORNING 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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Susan Caskey

(After Children's Moments, children 5 and under may go with the class leader to the 2-3's classroom located on the first floor past the elevator on the left. They may be picked up there, or they will be escorted back to the sanctuary before the benediction.)

ANTHEM

Precious Lord

Arnold Sevier

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #884 A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church

*GLORIA PATRI #70

MEINEKE

MINISTRY MOMENT

OFFERTORY

Safe Within Your Arms, Lord

Mark Hayes

Soloist: Cody Lidge

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*DOXOLOGY #95

OLD 100th

*HYMN #599

Break Thou the Bread of Life

BREAD OF LIFE

SCRIPTURE'S LESSON

2 Timothy 3:16-17

SERMON

"Is the Bible Reliable?"
Part II: Question we ask God.

Rev. Alston Lippert

*HYMN #600

Wonderful Words of Life

WORDS OF LIFE

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

**Congregation standing. If standing is uncomfortable, please remain seated and continue your participation.
When our worship ends, our service begins!*



Easter Hydrangeas NOW TAKING ORDERS!

Pick up your order form
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Limited quantity available!

All orders/paments due no later than March 10!

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PRAYER THOUGHT

During Lent, let our prayers focus on ways to overcome our indifference.

ABSENCE OF FLOWERS DURING LENT

Throughout Lent, we will not have flowers on the altar during this season of austerity and simple reflection. We hope this absence of flowers will amplify the resurrection message of the Easter flowers when they arrive!

PRAYER LIST

Betsy Alexander	Mickey Epting	Karen Horne	Ellen Parker
Karen Basso	Nancy Epting	Lisa Johnson	Shawn Powers
Ann Bell	Carl Evans	Jean Kanes	Genie Quinn
Mickey Bell	Pat Griffin	Beverly McClanahan	Tara Spires
John Benfield	Betsy Halloren	Paul McClanahan	Nancy Williams
Ron Bowden	Rev. Paul Harmon	Sharon McCullough	Our homebound

SERVING TODAY

Director of Music
Piano
Acolyte
Ushers
Greeters
Children’s Moment
Sound/Video/Projection

Visitor Cards
Pew Maintenance
Children’s Church
Nursery
Online Moderator

Dr. Catherine Nance
Rick Frierson
Lucy Woods
Kelly & Joe Epting
Jim Lane, Thomas Berry
Susan Caskey
Lynn Shirley,
Spence Stevens
Suzanne Joye
Jammie Watters
Kristie & Hayden Rowe
McKenzie Powers, Cecelia Daigle
Ed McClain

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

As of 2-20-24
Church Budget: \$ Pending.
YTD
Church Actual \$108,882
Soup Cellar \$ 5,224
Foundation \$ 450



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GIVE**