

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

God pours peace and love into our hearts through the power of the Holy Spirit. Let us receive these gifts, as we share the peace of Christ with one another.

SPECIAL MUSIC - Chancel Choir

OLD TESTAMENT: Exodus 17:1-7 (NIV)

The whole Israelite community set out from the Desert of Sin, traveling from place to place as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. So they quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink."

Moses replied, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you put the Lord to the test?"

But the people were thirsty for water there, and they grumbled against Moses. They said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to make us and our children and livestock die of thirst?"

Then Moses cried out to the Lord, "What am I to do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me."

The Lord answered Moses, "Go out in front of the people. Take with you some of the elders of Israel and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink." So Moses did this in the sight of the elders of Israel. And he called the place Massah and Meribah because the Israelites quarreled and because they tested the Lord saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

This is the Word of God, for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 95 (NIV)

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him.

The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

Come, let us bow down in worship,

let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;

for he is our God

and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

Today, if only you would hear his voice,

"Do not harden your hearts as you did at Meribah,

as you did that day at Massah in the wilderness, where your ancestors tested me;

they tried me, though they had seen what I did.

For forty years I was angry with that generation; I said,

'They are a people whose hearts go astray, and they have not known my ways.'

So I declared on oath in my anger, "They shall never enter my rest."

EPISTLE: Romans 5:1-11 (NIV)

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our

sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

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***GOSPEL: John 4:5-42 (NIV)**

The gospel according to John.

So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon.

When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" (His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)

The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." "Sir," the woman said, "you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his livestock?" Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water." He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back." "I have no husband," she replied. Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true." "Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem."

"Woman," Jesus replied, "believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. Yet a time is coming and has now come when

the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.” The woman said, “I know that Messiah” (called Christ) “is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us.”

Then Jesus declared, “I, the one speaking to you—I am he.” Just then his disciples returned and were surprised to find him talking with a woman. But no one asked, “What do you want?” or “Why are you talking with her?” Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, “Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Messiah?” They came out of the town and made their way toward him.

Meanwhile his disciples urged him, “Rabbi, eat something.” But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you know nothing about.” Then his disciples said to each other, “Could someone have brought him food?” “My food,” said Jesus, “is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. Don’t you have a saying, ‘It’s still four months until harvest’? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. Even now the one who reaps draws a wage and harvests a crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together. Thus the saying ‘One sows and another reaps’ is true. I sent you to reap what you have not worked for. Others have done the hard work, and you have reaped the benefits of their labor.”

Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I ever did.” So when the Samaritans came to him, they urged him to stay with them, and he stayed two days. And because of his words many more became believers.

They said to the woman, “We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world.”

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REFLECTIONS ON GOD’S WORD

Rev. Rob Odum

HYMN: 276

“The First One Ever”

vs 1-3

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Eternal Spirit, Source of healing and wholeness, receive our grateful hearts for your many blessings. Transform the gifts we bring this day into Christ’s promise of living water for the world. Bathe those who are touched by today’s offering in your goodness and grace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

OFFERTORY MUSIC:

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Arr Edward Miller

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH ~ The Apostle’s Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

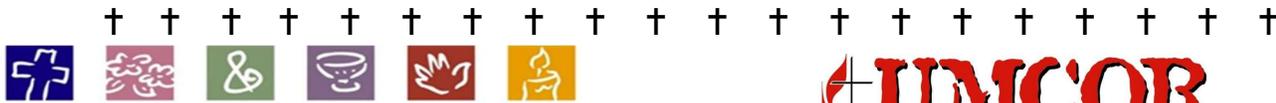
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

***CLOSING HYMN: 2108** *“O How He Loves You and Me”* *vs 1-2*

***BENEDICTION**

Bathe in the river of God’s love. Swim in the waters of Christ’s baptism. Ride the ocean currents of the Holy Spirit. Be renewed in the warm springs of our God.
Amen.

***POSTLUDE:** *“Great is the Lord”* *By Smith and Smith*



March	Liturgists	Ushers
8th	Chris Guse	Cyndi Eickstaedt & Philip Gruntzel
15th	John Hurley	Cyndi Eickstaedt & Philip Gruntzel
22nd	Carolyn Ettlle	Cyndi Eickstaedt & Philip Gruntzel
29th	Linda Brumm	Cyndi Eickstaedt & Philip Gruntzel

[Pop-Up Event: Friday, March 20th from 12pm – 6pm](#)

United Methodist Committee on Relief is supporting folks who were affected by the floods in August. They are coming to MUMC to do a pop-up event, giving out mold kits to the community.



Please join us for HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

PALM SUNDAY: March 29th

8:55 AM at Blessed Hope UMC

10:30 AM at Memorial UMC

MAUNDY THURSDAY: April 2nd 6pm

Combined Worship Service at Blessed Hope UMC

GOOD FRIDAY: April 3rd 6pm

Combined Worship Service at Memorial UMC

EASTER SUNDAY: April 5th

Traditional Resurrection Day Worship & Celebration

8:55 AM at Blessed Hope UMC

10:30 AM at Memorial UMC



Memorial UMC

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John Stoekl, Tom Rowe, Greg Ettl

Office Administrator: Peggy Leonhardt

Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9am-1pm

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Sunday, 9:15am

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Sunday, 10:30am

CONFIRMATION CLASSES:

Saturday 2/14 – Saturday 5/16

Confirmation classes will be held each Saturday from 9-10:30am

CERAMICS: Mondays, 1-9pm

CHANCEL CHOIR: Thursday, 6:30-7:25pm

JOYFUL BELLS: Thursday, 7:30-8:30pm

SASSY SOWERS: 1st Tuesday & 3rd, Thursday, 10am-1pm

2nd SATURDAY SUPPER: on March 14th, 5pm at

The Open Flame Restaurant

5081 S 108th St, Greenfield, WI 53228

<http://www.openflamerestaurant.com/>

UMCOR Pop-up Event: Friday, March 20th, 12pm-6pm

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST: 3rd Tuesday, 9am at Pallas Restaurant, 1657 S. 108th St, West Allis, WI

MEN'S BREAKFAST: 3rd Thursday, 8:30am at Meyers, 4260 S 76th St, Greenfield, WI

PALM SUNDAY BRUNCH: March 29th,