



FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 1st, 2026

2nd Sunday in Lent

✠ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“For the sake of the joy that was set before him Jesus endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.” Our faith depends on him from start to finish, and he unceasingly intercedes on our behalf. Therein abides our hope and our assurance. Amen.

✠ GLORIA PATRI “Glory Be to the Father” #812

***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.***

✠ PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of God be with you.

And also with you.

Greet one another in Peace.

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Congregational Life

ANTHEM “Bread of Heaven” (Jordan)

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Children are dismissed to their classrooms.

THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 12: 1-9

Romans 4: 1-17

John 3: 1-17

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Old 9 12

New 135 187

New 81 114

SERMON “Journey of Faith”

✠ HYMN “Let Us Break Bread Together” #460

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S TABLE

Invitation

Communion

The Lord’s Prayer

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us say what we believe.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended to heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

The Prayers of the People

OFFERTORY “Near the Cross” (Doane)

✠ DOXOLOGY #814
Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✠ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, you have sent your Son into the world, that we may have life. As we go forth from your sanctuary, may we offer that life in Christ’s name to our neighbor. Use our talents to build up Christ’s body. Use the money that we give to bring healing for his sake. All that we give is in response to your benevolent care. Amen.

✠ HYMN “Take Time to Be Holy” #656

✠ BENEDICTION

✠ POSTLUDE “Majestic March” (Perry)

WE WELCOME EVERYONE TO THE FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

We pray you'll be nourished in faith as you hear God's message for you. Jesus welcomed everyone; that is our aim, too. Whether you're here for the first time or the thousandth, we count ourselves blessed by your presence. Persons interested in more information about the First United Presbyterian Church, or in joining this congregation, are invited to fill out a 'Welcome' card found in the pews, or to call the church office. Please be sure to sign our Guest Book near the entrance to the Sanctuary. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- ✦ Sunday Worship - 10:00 AM
The nursery is available for your use during the worship service.
- ✦ A Celtic cross (✦) preceding a service element indicates the congregation should stand.
- ✦ **Bold** indicates congregation participation.
- ✦ If you need the Pastor after office hours, please call the church and leave a message on the Pastor's voicemail. If you call during office hours and he is not available, the staff may be able to provide his cell #.
- ✦ Pre-service refreshments are available each Sunday in the Westminster Room.

FOR THE  **HEARING IMPAIRED**

Hearing assistance devices are available. If you would like to use a receiver, please ask an Usher for assistance.



***The Purpose of the First United Presbyterian Church is to:
Invite people to know and glorify God
Grow together as followers of Christ
Serve others through the power of the Holy Spirit***

We ask that you remember these people in your prayer throughout the coming week:



The Family and Friends of Marcia Michaud, Tom Thoresen, Jennie McCain, Dee Leuvoy, Marge Simpkins, Crisanne Riordan, Ronan Mouw, Dr. Pat Newhouse, Geraldine Carnahan, all those who are sick, all those who are traveling, all missionaries, and all members of the U.S. Armed Forces.

Please keep us up to date on your prayer request.

Unless we are informed otherwise, names are listed for 2 weeks.

FUPC Meetings/Groups—standard gathering times / or as noted
Choir Practice—Every Wednesday at 5:30pm / Every Sunday at 9:15am
Circle 3—2nd Thursday at 9:30am (WR)
Deacons—2nd Sunday at 11:15am (WR)
Men's Study Group—Every Friday at 9:00am (WR)
Presbyterian Women—3rd Tuesday at Noon (SH)
Session—3rd Monday at 5:30pm (WR)
Textile Social Group—1st, 3rd & 4th Thursdays at 9:30am (SH)
Trustees—3rd Monday at 5:30pm (LB)
Women's Bible Study - 1st, 3rd & 4th Wednesdays at 9:30am (WR)

Minister: Rev. Mark D. Gabbard / pastor@soopresbyterian.org

Commissioned Ruling Elder: Brenda Ransom

Clerk of Session: Julie Walsh

President of Trustees: Ron Meister

Chairman of Deacons: Jeanne Shibley

Music Director/Organist: Kay Boyne / *Guitarist: David Blackburn*

Administrative Assistant: Maria Price / office@soopresbyterian.org

Sexton: Jason Fuller

Office Hours: 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Monday-Friday

Pastor's Office Hours: 9:15 AM to 12:00 PM, Monday-Friday

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TAKE NOTE
OF WHAT IS
HAPPENING!



PRESBYTERY POINT CAMP

registration is available at www.presbyterypoint.org In addition, camp scholarship applications are available in the church office M-F 9AM – 1PM.

SOUP AND SANDWICH will be held immediately after today's service in the Social Hall. All are welcome.

EASTER LILY ORDER FORMS are due to the office on or before Monday, March 16th at 1:00 PM. Thank you for your cooperation.

A REMINDER TO ALL...When last to leave the building, please make sure that all lights are off and the doors are locked. Thank you!

RIDES TO CHURCH are available. Should you need a ride to church, please call the church office before Friday of each week and the Deacons will arrange a pickup time.

OUR WEEKLY OFFERING FOR 2/22/26 **\$1,470.00**

ATTENDANCE FOR WORSHIP SERVICE ON 2/22/26 **58**

UPCOMING EVENTS



DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **March 1st – Communion / Soup & Sandwich**
- **March 6th – World Day of Prayer**
- **March 16th – Lily order forms due**
- **March 17th – Happy St. Patrick's Day!**

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY 3/1

9:00am - Coffee Hour (WR)
9:15am - Choir Practice (S)
10:00am - Worship Service (S)

***Communion**

10:15am - Sunday School

***Soup & Sandwich**

MONDAY, 3/2

7:00pm - Scout Troop #105 (SH)

TUESDAY, 3/3

Phone a friend.

WEDNESDAY, 3/4

9:30am - Women's Bible Study (WR)
5:30pm - Choir Practice (S)

THURSDAY, 3/5

9:30am – Textile Social (SH)

FRIDAY, 3/6

9:00am - Men's Study Group (WR)

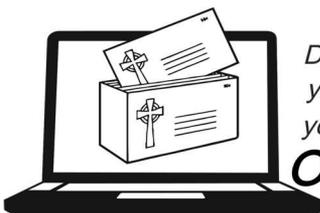
SATURDAY 3/7

7:00pm - AA (WR)

SUNDAY, 3/8

9:00am - Coffee Hour (WR)
9:15am - Choir Practice (S)
10:00am - Worship Service (S)
10:15am - Sunday School
11:15am – Deacons Mtg (LB)

WR-Westminster Room, MR-Music Room, S-Sanctuary, LB-Library, SH-Social Hall



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your offerings
ONLINE ?*

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