

*Order of Worship*  
*Third Sunday of Lent*  
9:30 am – March 12, 2023

***Participating Live?***

*Text your prayer requests to 805-309-6867 before the end of the first hymn.*

**PRELUDE**

*Waters of New Life*

Kevil Keil

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Kyle Hanks, organ

**GREETING**

**HYMN**

*Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee*

UMH 175

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1. Jesus, the very thought of thee with sweetness fills the breast;  
but sweeter far thy face to see, and in thy presence rest.
2. O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek,  
to those who fall, how kind thou art! How good to those who seek!
3. But what to those who find? Ah, this nor tongue nor pen can show;  
the love of Jesus, what it is, none but his loved ones know.
4. Jesus, our only joy be thou, as thou our prize wilt be;  
Jesus, be thou our glory now, and through eternity.

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive)

Fran Turner, liturgist

Drink of living water—  
**the living water of faith in Christ.**  
Taste the bread of life—  
**the grace and love of God.**  
Come to the well of wisdom—  
**where thirst for righteousness is quenched.**  
Come, let us worship in spirit and truth.

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**HYMN**

*There's a Wideness In God's Mercy*

UMH 121

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- 1 There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea;  
there's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.
- 2 There is welcome for the sinner, and more graces for the good!  
There is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood.
- 3 For the love of God is broader than the measure of our mind;  
and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.

4 If our love were but more simple, we should rest upon God's word;  
and our lives would be illumined by the presence of our Lord.

#### PASTORAL PRAYER & 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.**

#### CHORAL OFFERING

*Living Water of Life*

David Lantz III

Chancel Choir, Kyle Hanks – Pianist, Chad Cullins – Flute

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#### SCRIPTURE

*John 4: 5-42 (NRSV)*

Fran Turner, liturgist

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

#### MESSAGE

Pastor Matt McPhee

#### MUSICAL RESPONSE

*Through It All*

UMH 507

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Through it all, through it all, I've learned to trust in Jesus, I've learned to trust in God;  
Through it all, through it all, I've learned to depend upon God's word.

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Text VenturaUMC to 1-888-364-GIVE (4483)

**O God, our gifts are so minute in comparison to your bounty. Transform our simple offering into ministries that quench parched lives with the water of eternal life. Nurture our need to share your water and your spirit through the gifts that you have given us so freely. In the name of the One who is the Messiah, we pray. Amen.** (© 2023 David S. Bell. Reprinted with permission from [www.DavidSBell.org](http://www.DavidSBell.org).)

#### HYMN

*The Water God Gives Us*

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

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1. The water God gives us in wondrous supply is water that's living and never runs dry.  
For everyone drinks and is thirsty again, but God's living water gives life without end.
2. O God, we confess that we seek empty things; we strive after wealth and the comfort it brings.  
We buy things in hopes that our spirits will soar. Yet still we are thirsty and left wanting more.
3. Then just like that woman who went to the well, we hear you, O Christ, and the truth that you tell.  
You know who we are and you know what we've been; you know us and love us in spite of our sin.
4. The gift that you give is the greatest of wealth; you give living water! You give us yourself!  
May we, like that woman, go back where we live and tell those we know of the life that you give.

#### BENEDICTION

#### POSTLUDE

*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

James Biery

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Kyle Hanks, organ

## *Prayer Requests*

**First German UMC**—Pastor Kurt Poland

**Estero Bay UMC**—Pastor Steve Poteete-Marshall

All those suffering from illness or loss of loved ones.

Kate Stradling—recovering from multiple surgeries in as many days

Bob & Kathy Fierro—daughter Stephanie recovering from surgery

## *Living Water of Life*

Are you thirsty for the Master, for the God of all creation?

Come through Jesus to the Father, through the life sustaining vine.

Drink deeply from the living water of life; drink deeply.

Drink deeply from the endless water of life; drink deeply.

Like the waters of the Jordan, He will nourish and sustain us.

Come through Jesus to the Father, drink the life of love divine.

Drink deeply from the living water of life; drink deeply.

Drink deeply from the endless water of life; drink deeply.

Like the woman at the well, we are human and with sin.

Come through Jesus to the Father, feel His quenching deep within.

Drink deeply from the living water of life; drink deeply.

Drink deeply from the endless water of life; drink deeply.

Come through Jesus to the Father. Taste the water of all life.

