

Ways to Participate in the Life of our Church:

Sunday Bible Study: Join us for Bible study Sundays at 9:00 AM in the Pastor's Study.

Adult Book Study Group: You're invited to explore the book The Road Back to You by Ian Morgan Cron and Suzanne Stabile in Fairview's Sunday morning book study at 11:15 AM in the church office/library. Join us on this journey toward finding ourselves and finding God! Meetings are hybrid—in-person and on Zoom. Meeting ID: 872 2387 8090 Passcode: Breakfast.

JOY Group: Joy Group meets Tuesdays nights in the church office at 6:30 PM. We are reading Savior: What the Bible Says about the Cross by Magrey deVega for Lent. Join us! This is also a hybrid meeting Zoom Meeting ID: 872 7965 0140 Passcode: Joy

Moms Group: Join us as we discuss the book Woven by Meredith Miller. Our next meeting is tonight Sunday, March 3rd at 7 PM in the Narthex/lobby. We will discuss chapters 5 and 6.

Fairview Choir: Our adult choir practices Wednesday evenings at 7 PM in the sanctuary. All levels of musical ability welcomed and encouraged. You are invited to come and sing!

Event Team Meeting: Today, Sunday, March 3rd after worship in the New Kitchen we'll discuss our Neighborhood Spring Social, Blessing Bag Event, and set the calendar for 2024 events. Are you interested in being part of this team? Talk to group leader Abby Amann or Pastor Nancy and/or come to the meeting!

Loaves and Fishes Team Meeting: Join us March 7th at 7 PM in the church office/library. Bring your ideas for warm weather and cold weather menus. We will also discuss what went well at our January meal and how to improve for our next meal which will be May 29th 2024.

Landscaping Refresh: The Landscape Team put together a cohesive plan to refresh the landscaping on either side of the east/sanctuary doors. Our captain, Joan Sullivan, has made a visual of the landscape refresh. The plan is in the narthex. Take a look! If you would like to contribute to purchase foundational plants, please take an envelope off the board or give online by selecting "landscape contribution."



Third Sunday in Lent | March 3, 2024 | 10 AM

Gathering Music

Judy Shaw, Director of Music

Greeting

Rev. Nancy Martin, Pastor

*Opening Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

UMH 384 v. 1-3

*Call to Worship

Ewell Lawson, Liturgist

L: If you ask the sky who God is,

P: the sky will tell you of God's reach

L: If you ask the day who God is,

P: the sun will tell you of God's warmth.

L: If you ask the night who God is,

P: the moon will tell you of God's comfort.

L: "The heavens are telling the glory of God" [Psalm 19:1]. Are you listening?

P: We are listening! We will sing of God's glory.

L: Let us worship Holy God.

Opening Prayer

Ewell Lawson

Hymn

Jesus, Name above All Names

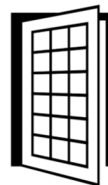
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Joys and Concerns; Prayers of the People

Rev. Nancy Martin

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.



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Our Mission: to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world

Our Vision: to be a neighborhood church where YOU make a difference

Core Values: We are faithful, relational, inclusive, genuine, and service-oriented

Children's Moment Rev. Nancy Martin
Children are welcome to come to the front to hear about the scripture we're focusing on today. Adults may accompany their child(ren). Children can also stay in their seats.

Scripture Hymn Here at the Peak See Insert

Scripture Matthew 16: 13-20 Ewell Lawson
Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.
The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Rev. Nancy Martin

Call to Confession Rev. Nancy Martin

Prayer of Confession
Holy God, some days, we are quick to declare your goodness. Like Peter, we see you in our midst and we are confident in our faith. Other days, we are distracted and uncertain, desperate for answers.
Forgive us for losing sight of you.
Some days we are quick to trust your blessings—
trusting that we are called, that we can make a difference.
Other days, our praise falls silent and doubt creeps in.
Forgive us for losing sight of ourselves.
We know that fear and doubt are part of the journey of faith. But for the days when we are far from you and far from ourselves, we ask for your tender grace.
Pull us closer toward you. Remind us of the mountaintop moments of our faith. Amen.

Words of Forgiveness Rev. Nancy Martin

Generosity Moment Rev. Nancy Martin

*Doxology UMH 95
**Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

Offertory Prayer Ewell Lawson

Hymn Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing UMH 400 v. 1

The Great Thanksgiving UMH 13

*Closing Hymn How Can We Name a Love UMH 111 v. 1,3,4

*Benediction Rev. Nancy Martin

Postlude Judy Shaw

The asterisk (*) indicates when to stand in body or spirit;
UMH stands for the United Methodist Hymnal;
TFWS stands for The Faith We Sing

Nursery Care is available starting at 9:45 AM for children three years old and under. Children's Church happens during our service for those in fifth grade and under. During this time kids will learn more about the scripture we are focusing on in the worship service. There's usually a craft, game, fellowship, and fun. Adults will pick up their children after the service from the children's church room (at the end of the Children's Corridor).

All volunteers who work with children and youth have passed a background check, have been Safe Gatherings trained, and uphold our Safe Sanctuary policies and procedures. All children are welcome in all aspects of our worship. Feel free to keep your children with you or utilize nursery care or Children's Church.

Holy Communion: We, in the United Methodist Church, practice Open Communion, meaning anyone who loves Jesus, who earnestly repents of their sin and seeks to live in peace with one another are welcome to the table. Today we are using gluten-free bread and grape juice, so as to have as inclusive a table as possible.

We have an offering plate in the back of the sanctuary as you exit the double doors.
To give online, please scan this code using your smart phone's camera:

