

**First United Methodist Church of Freehold  
Bulletin**

**Sunday, March 6, 2022  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent**

Announcements: Cindy Curtis-Budka

Prelude

Welcome: Pastor, Wil Wilson

\*Call to Worship:

**People: Our ordinary, messy lives are filled with the light and love of Jesus!**

Leader: We proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord in our ordinary, messy lives!

**People: We are servants for Jesus' sake, surrendering to God's power at work in us.**

Leader: Even in our trouble, uncertainty, and confusion,

**People: We are servants for Jesus' sake, surrendering to God's power at work in us.**

Leader: Even in persecution we've endured, even when we've been thrown down,

**All: We surrender to God's power at work in our ordinary, messy lives. Let's light up this dark world with Jesus' light and love!**

\*Opening Prayer: (In Unison)

**Lord of mercy and grace, we thank you for the gift of your presence here today. We come to you as broken vessels. We acknowledge that breaking is part of life. We ask that through the power of your Holy Spirit, you not only heal us, but all who are broken. You and only you can bring purpose and beauty out of our brokenness and make us whole. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Opening Hymn: "Blessed Assurance" UMH #369

\*Hymn: "Lead Me, Guide Me" TFWS #2214

Prayer Hymn: "Sanctuary" TFWS #2163

*[The acolyte will collect your prayer requests at this time. For those worshiping from home, please submit your prayer requests in the online attendance sheet or, email the church office and they will be lifted up at next Sunday's service.]*

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor, Wil Wilson

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:5-11 Susan Zuckerman

Sermon: "The Broken Cup" Pastor, Wil Wilson

Offering: The **Special Offering** for March will benefit **UMCOR Sunday**. Your generous gift supports UMCOR's administrative costs so that all designated gifts will go to the program of the giver's choice. Your contribution ensures UMCOR's response in times of crisis.

Offertory

\*Doxology:

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH #95

Offertory Prayer:

**Bless our gifts, Creative God, that they may become streaks of Gold, shining through the brokenness of the world. Through your touch, may our giving bring beauty into view. Amen.**

\*Passing of the Peace

Celebration of Communion:

\*Sung Responses: “Communion Settings”

UMH pages 12-14  
TFWS #2257 (b, c, d)

Communion Hymn:

“In Remembrance of Me”

TFWS #2254

\*Closing Hymn:

“Go Light Your World”

Chris Rice

\*Benediction:

Pastor, Wil Wilson

\*Postlude

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## Scripture Passage for Sunday, March 6, 2022

Liturgist: Susan Zuckerman

### 2 Corinthians 4:5-11

<sup>5</sup> For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup> For it is the God who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

<sup>7</sup> But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. <sup>8</sup> We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; <sup>9</sup> persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; <sup>10</sup> always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. <sup>11</sup> For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh.

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God!**

**Opening Hymn:  
"Blessed Assurance"**

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
Angels descending bring from above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, all is at rest;  
I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
Watching and waiting, looking above,  
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.

**Hymn  
"Lead Me, Guide Me"**

Lead me, guide me,  
Along the way,  
For if you lead me,  
I cannot stray.  
Lord, let me walk  
Each day with thee.  
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

**Prayer Hymn  
"Sanctuary"**

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,  
Pure and holy, tried and true.  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for you

**Doxology  
"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

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.

**Communion Settings  
(b, c, d)**

Holy, holy, holy Lord;  
God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Blest if the one who comes  
In the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!

Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!

Amen. Amen. Amen.  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!

**Communion Hymn:  
"In Remembrance of Me"**

In remembrance of Me, eat this bread.  
In remembrance of Me, drink this wine.  
In remembrance of Me, pray for the time  
When God's own will is done.

In remembrance of Me, heal the sick.  
In remembrance of Me, feed the poor.  
In remembrance of Me, open the door  
And let your neighbors in, let them in.

Take, eat, and be comforted;  
Drink and remember, too,  
That this is My body  
And precious blood shed for you, shed for you.

In remembrance of Me, search for truth.  
In remembrance of Me, always love.  
In remembrance of Me, don't look above,  
But in your heart,  
Look for God.  
Do this in remembrance of Me.

**Closing Hymn:  
"Go Light Your World"**

(Verse 1)

There is a candle in ev'ry soul  
Some brightly burning some dark and cold  
There is a Spirit who brings a fire  
Ignites a candle and makes His home

(Chorus 1)

So carry your candle run to the darkness  
Seek out the hopeless confused and torn  
Hold out your candle for all to see it  
Take your candle and go light your world  
Take your candle and go light your world

(Verse 2)

Frustrated brother see how he's tried to  
Light his own candle some other way  
See now your sister she's been robbed and lied to  
Still holds a candle without a flame

(Chorus 2)

So carry your candle run to the darkness  
Seek out the lonely the tired and worn  
Hold out your candle for all to see it  
Take your candle and go light your world  
Take your candle and go light your world

(Verse 3)

We are a fam'ly whose hearts are blazing  
So let's raise our candles and light up the sky  
Praying to our Father in the name of Jesus  
Make us a beacon in darkest times

(Chorus 3)

So carry your candle run to the darkness  
Seek out the helpless deceived and poor  
Hold out your candle for all to see it  
Take your candle and go light your world  
Carry your candle run to the darkness  
Seek out the hopeless confused and torn  
Hold out your candle for all to see it  
Take your candle and go light your world  
Take your candle and go light your world

(Ending)

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