

Our attendance for March 16 worship was 35.

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WELCOME to this service of worship. We seek to be a diverse community welcoming all persons and embracing differences of age, racial and ethnic background, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, family configuration, socioeconomic status, and physical and mental ability. We invite all to join our journey of faith toward greater love, hope, and acceptance in every aspect of our Christian life together.



If you are a first time guest, please sign a visitor card in the pew and return it in the offering plate or give to an usher or the pastor.

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Jason Harvey

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Pam Farlow

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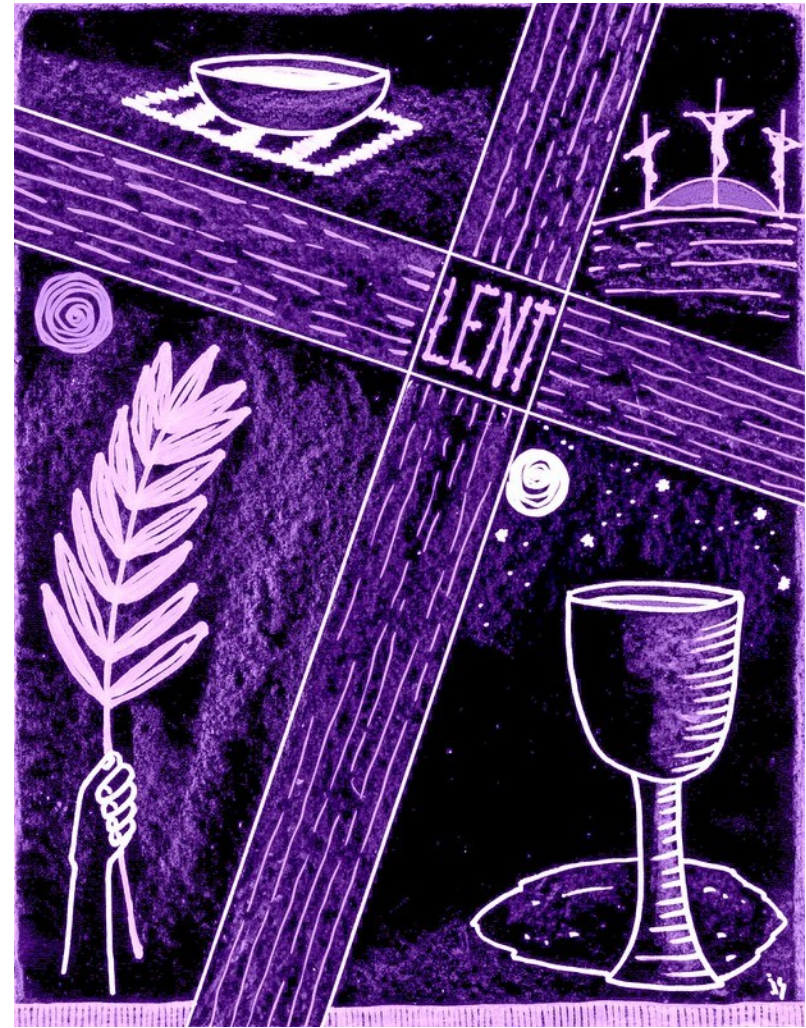
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March 23, 2025

Third Sunday in Lent

COLLEGE PLACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

...seeks to be a Christ centered, diverse community open to everyone as they are. We believe all people are worthy of being loved and worthy of loving others. We strive to show God's grace, make disciples, and change the world with our hands, our hearts, our minds, and our words.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Psalm 142—Chorale and Variations

Fedak

WELCOME AND *PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Peace be with you! And also with you!

You are invited to share the peace of Christ with those around you.

*OPENING SONG

I'M GONNA LIVE *FWS*, No. 2153

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me (vs 1, 3, & 4)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Hebrews 4:14-16

One: For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weakness,

All: but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

One: Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness,

All: so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

WELLESLEY No. 121

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Marsha McFee

Holy One, Our Balm, Our Feast:

**we lift our hands and call your name,
in need of healing—thirsting and hungry.**

Your steadfast love is better than life.

Open us this day to your nourishment

in the songs of the land, in the beauty of the sky—

in the simple and good enough moments that fill our days. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 55:1-9

*GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 13:1-9

Response: *The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.*

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

BOYLSTON No. 413

A Charge to Keep I Have

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANTHEM

The Garden Path

Martin

SERMON

“It Might Be the Dirt”

TIME OF ANOINTING

The congregation may come forward to be anointed, if you wish. Anyone is invited to come for anointing and/or to pray at the altar.

PRAYER OF GOD'S PEOPLE AND FOR THE WORLD

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

OLD 100TH Screens

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise Jesus Christ, our burdens know,

Praise Spirit through whom our hearts grow,

Praise Three-in-One, from here below. Amen.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

No. 884

“A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church”

*CLOSING HYMN

ST. MARGARET No. 480

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

*BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

*CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE

To God Be the Glory

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*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE