

## College Place UMC

March 30, 2025

### Fourth Sunday in Lent - UMCOR Sunday

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Our attendance for March 23 worship was 42.



**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.

#### Preacher

Jason Harvey

#### Altar Guild

Pam Farlow

#### Technical Support

Christopher Hall

Your support enables our ministry. You may place gifts in the offering plates by the doors, mail to our address, or electronically through our website or scan the QR Code to give through PayPal.



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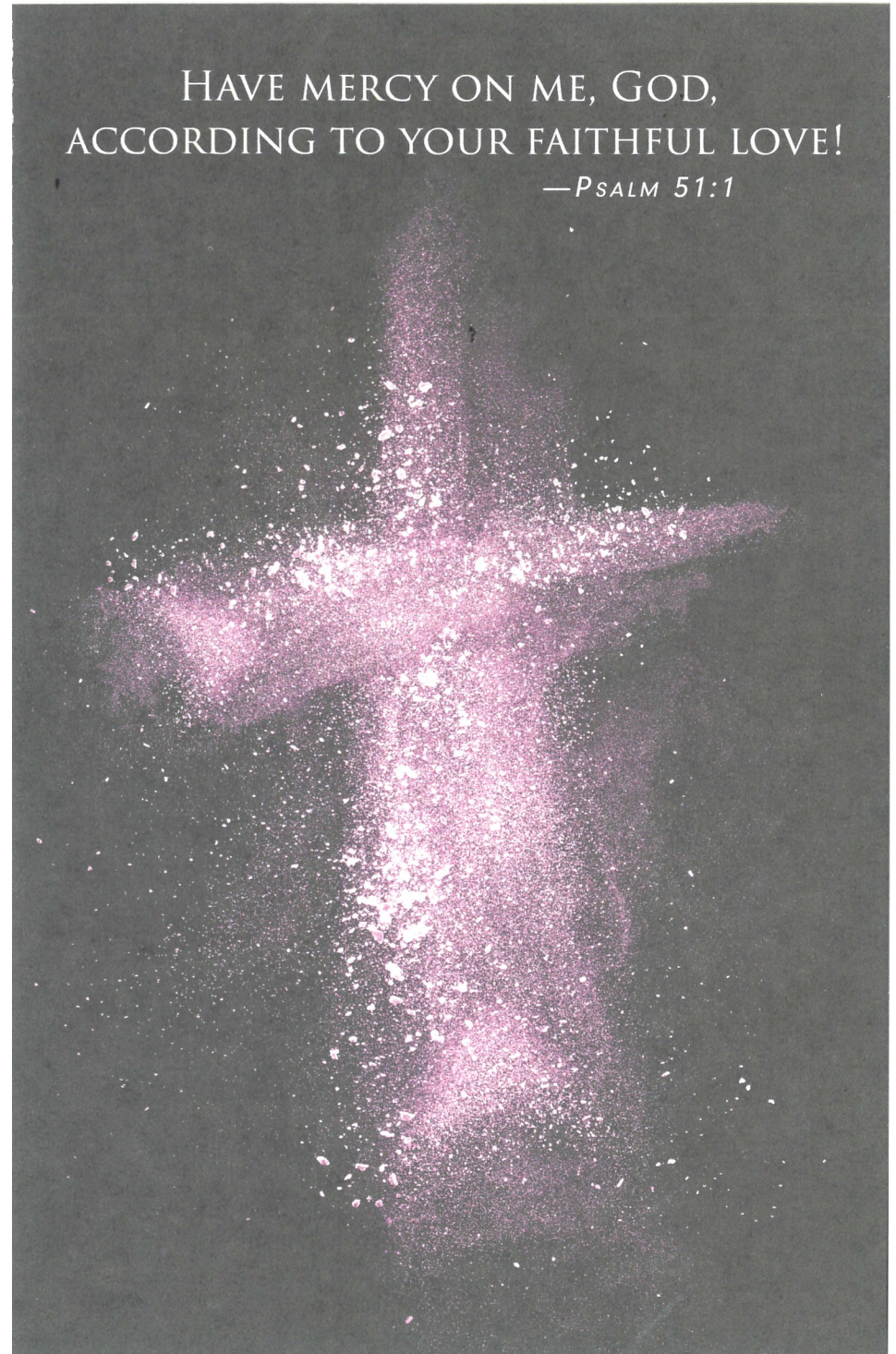
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HAVE MERCY ON ME, GOD,  
ACCORDING TO YOUR FAITHFUL LOVE!

—PSALM 51:1



## THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

### PRELUDE

*Prelude from Suite No. 5*

arr. Smith

### 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

FWS, No. 2226 & W&S, No. 3096

*Bind Us Together & Gentle Shepherd*

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Lisa Hancock

*One: When we struggle to live as you teach us,  
and we fail to answer your call...*

**All: God, your steadfast love surrounds us.**

*One: When the truth clogs up in our throat,  
and we fear what will happen if we speak and if we keep silent...*

**All: God, your steadfast love surrounds us.**

*One: When we open our hearts and let the truth of our sorrows,  
our sin, our joys, and our doubts flow freely...*

**All: God, your steadfast love surrounds us.**

*One: When our stubborn hearts encounter the grace that teaches  
and guides us into a life of trust and joyful obedience...*

**All: God, your steadfast love surrounds us today and every day.**

Thanks be to God! Amen.

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE

BEECHER No. 384

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

### OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Marsha McFee

**Holy One, God of Forgiveness,**

**we call out to you and you surround us with deliverance.**

**You love us infinitely more than we love ourselves or others.**

**Open us this day to your counsel,**

**helping us be more merciful, more grace-filled,**

**so that we might rejoice in simple and good enough moments**

**that fill our days. Amen.**

### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

**Psalm 32**

### \*GOSPEL LESSON

**Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32**

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

### \*HYMN OF RESPONSE

RESTORATION No. 340

*Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy*

### CHILDREN'S TIME

### ANTHEM

Schram

*How Great His Love*

### SERMON

**"Abounding Grace"**

### 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. 881

**"The Apostles' Creed"**

#### \*CLOSING HYMN

AMAZING GRACE No. 378

*Amazing Grace*

(verses 1-4)

#### \*BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

#### \*CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

#### \*POSTLUDE

Smith

*Sing and Rejoice*

#### \*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE