

HANDBELL ANTHEM *Air from "Water Music"* G.F. Handel, arr. Douglas E. Wagner

SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 31:31-34
John 12:20-33

HYMN (*remain seated*) *Take Up Thy Cross* No. 415

SERMON JOURNEY TO SUNRISE: Rev. Mary Birgelaitis
Heart Knowledge

OFFERING

Call to Stewardship and Mission
Offertory *People Need the Lord* McHugh, Nelson
Doxology/Prayer of Dedication Old 100th Hymnal, No. 95

*CLOSING HYMN *Make Me a Captive, Lord* No. 421

*BENEDICTION

In Christ, we are reflections of God's glory.
In Christ, we are renewed and made whole.
Go, renewed and ready for the next step of the journey.
We go forth in the peace of Christ.

RESPONSE *Breathe on Me* (verses 3 & 4) No. 420

***Breathe on me breath of God till I am wholly thine,
till all this earthly part of me glows with thy fire define.***

***Breathe on me breath of God so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.***

POSTLUDE *A Song of Adoration* James J. Bell

*Please stand as able.

*Music Director: Julia Burns Piano/Keyboard: Dennis Eiler Organ: Brad Bettencourt
Handbell Director: Leonard Lutz with the Grande Ringers*

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Today's Scripture

The days are surely coming says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband says the LORD. This is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days says the LORD: I will put my law within them and I will write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people* to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

John 12:20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come

Today's Liturgist: Cristy van Hook

ATTENDANCE						GIVING
WEEK	8:30	10:30	IN-PERSON	VIDEO	TOTAL	
02/18	33	65	98	17	115	\$ 4,092
02/25	32	55	87	35	122	\$ 1,212
03/03	40	65	105	15	120	\$ 7,692
03/10	33	57	90	18	108	\$10,087
<p>Our Fiscal Year started July 1 Weekly Offering Needed \$6,038 STEWARDSHIP REPORT: YTD Received \$239,281 Budgeted \$211,780 UMCOR \$403 EASTER Received \$806 Easter Budgeted \$5,000</p>						

HOSPITALITY TIME
Today's Hosts:
FINANCE
Next Sunday, March 24
Nominating Committee



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR



First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande
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March 17, 2024

10:30 AM

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

PRELUDE *Jesus is All the World to Me* Will Thompson/arr. Mark Hayes

HANDBELL INTROIT *O Perfect Love* Joseph Barnby, arr. Douglas E. Wagner

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Are you tired and worn out?
Call on the name of the Lord.
 Are past mistakes weighing heavily upon you?
Come to the fount of living waters.
 Are you looking for the high road?
Ask Christ to show you the way.

*OPENING HYMN *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* No.400

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

**Oh Lord,
 We come into worship to renew our strength.
 Put your law within us and write it on our hearts.
 Create in us clean hearts, and put a new
 and right spirit within us.
 May our journeys draw us closer to you
 and deeper in love with your world. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Carolyn Russell

A TIME OF PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer *Change My Heart, O God* TFWS #2152
 Prayer/Lord's Prayer
 Choral Response *Change My Heart, O God* TFWS #2152

Mon	Mar 18	6:00 PM Gerry's Quilt Class -Criswell Hall.
Tue	Mar 19	9:00 AM Senior Exercise-CH, 10:00 AM Sew n Sews-MMR, 11:00 AM Chair Yoga-CH, 1:00 PM Bible Study-CH, 1:30 PM Finance-PS, 3:30 PM JOY Circle-member's home, 5:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal-HR.
Wed	Mar 20	9:00 AM Senior Exercise-CH, 9:00 AM Church Work Morning - CH, 2:00 PM Church Council-MMR.
Thu	Mar 21	9:00 AM Senior Exercise-CH, 10:30 AM SPRC-PS, 4:00 PM Children's Ctr Board-MMR, 5:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal-HR, 6:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary.
Sun	Mar 24	8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service-Sanctuary 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service-Sanctuary.

Abbreviation Legend

CH--Criswell Hall
 S--Sanctuary
 K--Kitchen
 L--Library---
 Room #123
 MMR--McMillen
 Room #113
 PS--Pastor's Study
 HR--Handbell
 Room #115



Sunday March 24 Palm Sunday
 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service
 10:30 AM Traditional Service

Thursday March 28 Holy Thursday
 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary
 following 5:00 PM soup supper

Friday March 29 Good Friday
 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary
 Ritual of Tenebrae, A Service of Shadows

Sunday March 31 Easter Sunday
 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service
 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service

FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES

Sat Apr 6 Tiber Canyon Olive Oil Tasting 3:00 PM. Meet at church at 2:45 to carpool. Located at 280 W Ormonde Rd, SLO. Deadline to register is Mar 31. Sign up at Connections desk. Admission is free. Olive oil is available for purchase.



Sat Jun 22 Looking forward to June! We have an invitation to visit the home and garden of member Scott Trees. Put the date on your calendar and watch for more details.



For information on flower dedications and ordering flowers, please contact the church office.