

CHOIR ANTHEM *O Wondrous Love* arr. by Bruce Greer

SCRIPTURE Exodus 20:1-17
John 2:13-22

HYMN (*remain seated*) *Lord, I Want to be a Christian* (verse 1, 3 & 4) No. 402

SERMON JOURNEY TO SUNRISE: Rev. Mary Birgelaitis
Honoring God

OFFERING
Call to Stewardship and Mission
Offertory *The Love of God* Frederick M. Lehman
Doxology/Prayer of Dedication Old 100th" Hymnal, No. 95

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
The Great Thanksgiving Hymnal, page 15
Sharing the Bread and Cup
Communion Music *One Bread, One Body* John B. Foley/arr. Mark Hayes

*CLOSING HYMN *How Great Thou Art* (verses 1-3) No. 77

*BENEDICTION
As you walk in God's ways and live by Christ's example,
go and share what you have learned.
May the teachings of God lead you,
the grace of Christ Jesus attend you,
and the peace of the Holy Spirit sustain you.
Go with God.

BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Lift High the Cross* (refrain) No. 159
*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
till all the world adore his sacred name.*

POSTLUDE *Sing and Rejoice!* Randolph Johnston

**Please stand as able.*

Music Director: Julia Burns Piano/Keyboard: Dennis Eiler Organ: Brad Bettencourt

Exodus 20:1-17

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

John 2:13-22

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Today's Liturgist: Nancy St. Laurent

						GIVING
WEEK	8:30	10:30	IN-PERSON	VIDEO	TOTAL	
02/04	24	42	66	26	92	\$ 9,585
02/11	32	69	101	28	129	\$ 6,793
02/18	33	65	98	14	112	\$ 4,092
02/25	32	55	87	20	107	\$ 1,212
<p>Our Fiscal Year started July 1 Weekly Offering Needed \$6,038 STEWARDSHIP REPORT: YTD Received \$221,502 Budgeted \$200,332</p>						

HOSPITALITY TIME
Today's Hosts:
Board of Trustees
Next Sunday, March 10
Staff Parish



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR



First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande
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Mon	Mar 04	6:00 PM Gerry's Quilt Class -CH.
Tue	Mar 05	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, 5:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal-Handbell Room.
Wed	Mar 06	9:00 AM Senior Exercise-CH, 9:00 AM Church Work Morning, all invited-CH, 10:00 AM Fellowship Committee-L, 6:00 PM Worship Committee- PS.
Thu	Mar 07	9:00 AM Senior Exercise-CH, 5:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal-HR, 6:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary.
Sat	Mar 09	9:30 AM Meet at church to carpool for Fellowship Tour of SLO Railroad Museum, All Day-Executive Janitorial cleaning floors of K, CH and 2 bathrooms. Set clocks one hour forward for the Sun 2:00 AM time change.
Sun	Mar 10	8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service-Sanctuary. 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service-Sanctuary. UMCOR Special Sunday

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

March 3, 2024

10:30 AM

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT Holy Communion

PRELUDE *You Are Mine* David Haas/arr. Mark Hayes

INTROIT *Morning Has Broken* (verse 3) No. 143

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God calls us on journeys of faith.
We will answer God's call.
Christ leads us through moments of great challenge.
We will not be deterred.
The Spirit strengths us when there is no turning back.
We will remain faithful to the end.

*OPENING HYMN *Lift High the Cross* No. 159

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

**God of righteous fire, give us the passion to do what is right.
As Jesus was moved to clear the money changers from your Temple,
move us to seek justice and righteousness in our world.
And as Christ never flinched on his journey to the cross,
may we never waver when we reach the point of no return
in our journeys of faith.
May this season of Lent inspire our own journeys,
as we learn your ways and keep our eyes fixed upon Jesus.
Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Carolyn Russell

A TIME OF PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer *Honor and Praise* TFWS #2018
Prayer/Lord's Prayer *Honor and Praise* TFWS #2018
Choral Response *Honor and Praise* TFWS #2018



Sat Mar 9 10:00 11:00 AM Fellowship tour of the Railroad Museum in San Luis Obispo. \$5 entry fee. Meet at the church at 9:30 AM to carpool.



TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS
*In honor of my brother
Tom Egan
who would have been 86 today!
from Harry Egan*

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



Mar 9 Sat Eve set clocks forward for Sun 2 AM time change.

Sun Mar 10 UMCOR Special Sunday

When we support UMCOR, we become part of something much larger than ourselves. UMCOR specializes in solutions that help people become self-reliant. Offering received at both services.