

Announcements & Community News

March Second Mile Giving for WUMC: Heifer International

March Second Mile Giving for FUMC: UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief).

Lenten Study with Pastor Jim — Join us for Lenten Study called “Depths of Love.” Beginning on ***Thursday February 22, and every Thursday through March 21 at 11am In-Person (Room A) & 7:00 p.m., via Zoom . No Book Required. All are welcome.***

Palm Sunday worship — Join us on **Sunday, March 24** at Woodmar UMC for Palm Sunday worship service.

Pancake Breakfast— On **Palm Sunday, March 24 from 8:30 am-1:30pm**, there will be a Free Pancake Breakfast & Bake Sale! Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Milk, Juice & Coffee will be served. Baked Goods will also be available for purchase. Profits from Bake Sale will support the choir.

UWIF Agape Meal— The UWIF Agape Meal is on **Tuesday, March 26 at 12 Noon at Woodmar UMC**. Our meal will consist of olives, cheese, kugel, and other foods that have traditionally been reminders of the supper of Jesus. Contact Yvonne Jackson for more information at (219) 844-7815. *All are invited.*

Last Supper Re-Enactment — Please join us on **Wednesday, March 27 from 7pm to 9pm** at First United Evangelical Church, 6705 Hohman Ave, Hammond, IN 46324. *All are welcome.*

Holy Week - Maundy Thursday worship — On **Thursday, March 28** there will be a combined Maundy Thursday worship (Woodmar UMC & First UMC) at 7pm at Woodmar UMC.

Good Friday worship — On **Friday, March 29**, there will be a Good Friday combined service (First United Evangelical Lutheran Church, Griffith UMC, Hyde Park UMC, Whiting UMC, Ridge UMC, Woodmar UMC & First UMC) at 7pm at **First UMC**.

Easter Sunday worship — **Sunday, March 31 @ 10:15 am @ WUMC**

(For This Week Schedule & Prayer Concerns, please see your Bulletin Insert)

5th Sunday in Lent



*Hammond First/Woodmar
United Methodist Churches*

*Worship 10:15 a.m.
March 17, 2024*

Our Mission Statement

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

We welcome you and pray that you will be blessed in worship this morning. Please remember to send your joys and concerns to the office so we can continue to pray throughout the week. Online worship will be streamed via YouTube.

We look forward to worshipping with you.

March 17, 2024 10:15a.m. 5th Sunday in Lent

*Please stand, as you are comfortable.

Welcome and Community Life

Prelude

Call to Worship

Leader: Lenten travelers, how long have you traveled this road with your gaze pointed down at the dust and gravel and asphalt as you walk or limp or roll down the path?

People: Sometimes it is easier to look at the road than at the people who share the journey with us.

Leader: Lift up your heads! Look, listen, reach out a hand. Who are your neighbors on this road?

People: We lift our heads and look to our Savior who journeys with us and helps us notice our neighbors all around us.

Leader: This is the Lenten journey—to learn to love God and love our neighbors just as Jesus showed us.

People: Our journey teaches us to lose our lives to God as we find and follow Christ in our service to others.

Leader: Come, let us worship God who caravans with us on this road to the cross.

People: Come, let us worship! Amen.

* Opening Hymn O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing UMH 57

Opening Prayer

Children’s Time Pat Mosley

Choral Anthem Give Me Jesus Chancel Choir

Prayer Hymn Heal Us, Emmanuel, Hear Our Prayer, vv. 1,2,5 UMH 266

Prayers of the People

Prayer Response Hear Us, O God UMH 490

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Readings

Psalm 51:1-12
John 12:20-33

Leader: The Word of God
People: Thanks be to God

Sermon “Whoever Serves” Pastor Jim

Apostle’s Creed UMH 881

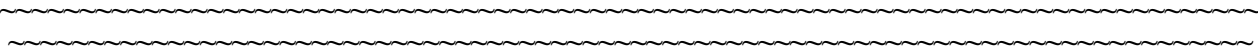
Lesser Thanksgiving

Offering our Gifts to God
The Doxology
Prayer of Dedication

* Closing Hymn Lord Whose Love in Humble Service UMH 581

Breakthrough Prayer

* Dismissal with Blessing



Bishop:	Rev. Julius C. Trimble	Conf. Supt:	Rev. Dr. Marti Lundy
Assoc. C.S.:	Rev. Paul Arnold	Lay Leaders:	Nancy Craig & Pat Mosley
Worship Leader:	Carrie Ward	Bell Director:	Sarah Ward
Accompanist:	David Bieschke		

The pastor may be reached through the office, and, when needed, via cell phone.
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