



First United Methodist Church of Hanford

Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.



Third Sunday in Lent

Order of Worship

Sunday, March 10th, 2024 | 11am

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(If you are visiting, thank you for choosing First United Methodist Church today. Please take a minute to complete a Contact/Prayer Card located in the pew racks. Place the card into the collection plates anytime during worship.)

**Our Vision for First UMC is to share the message of Christ through community, compassion and faith.
So we exist to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.**

Announcements:

Centering Time - Prepare Your Heart for Worship

Responsive Call to Worship (Responsively)

L: We gather to share in our love of God.

P: Lord, open our hearts and let us share your Good News.

L: We gather to share our witness to God's goodness.

P: Lord, let our lives bear witness through service to your people.

L: We gather to praise God whose love is eternal.

P: Lord, open our hearts today to sing your praises. AMEN.

Hymn

Amazing grace #378

Opening Prayer

Lord, as we gather here, on this day of sharing, remind us that you have shared with us your most precious gift, our Lord Jesus Christ. Help us to model our lives after his messages of compassion and service to you and to all your world. In Christ's Name, we offer this prayer. AMEN.

Hymn

Crown him with many crowns #327

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.
The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Hymn

My hope is built #368

Scripture readings

John 3:14-21 (NIV)

Children Moment

"Where Children Belong" # 2233

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Message

Depths of Love: "Loving the Light"

Pastoral Prayer:

Hymn

To God be the glory #98

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Doxology # 94

Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

God of Light, you gave us your only son so that we may experience eternal life. We humbly give these offerings as a faithful response to this gift. Money seems so insignificant when compared to your gift of life. Yet, we place this money before you as a sacrificial gesture of our gratitude. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Closing Hymn

How great thou art #77

Benediction