Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Act of Centering

Prelude Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross with In the Cross of Christ I Glory Call to Worship

One: Lord, open our lips.

All: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

One: The Lord is full of compassion and mercy:

All: Come, let us adore him.

Introit

Be Still for the Presence

† Opening Prayer

O God, by your Word you work out our reconciliation. Grant that, following the example of Christ, and walking in the way you choose, we may be subjected to you with all our hearts, and united to each other in holy love. We ask in Jesus' precious name. Amen.

† Opening Hymn

At the Name of Jesus

UMH 168

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination UMH 466

Old Testament Lesson Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Anthem Meekness and Majesty

Epistle Lesson Romans 10:8-13

Sermon Why We Kept the Letter Rev. Jack Colenda

Response

† Affirmation of Praise Sharing Joys and Concerns Call to Prayer He Is Lord UM

UMH 177

Prayers of the People

Prayer of Confession

Have mercy upon us, O God, according to your lovingkindness; according to the multitude of your tender mercies blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities, and cleanse us from our sins. For we acknowledge our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew a right spirit within us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.

- † Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH 95
- † Offertory Prayer

Faithful God, who journeys with us through the wilderness of our lives, as we offer these gifts, we remember your sustaining presence. In this period of spiritual renewal, strengthen us to resist temptation and guide us to live in community with love and grace. May these offerings be signs of hope and acts of compassion that reflect the love you have shown us in Christ. Empower us to rise together, supporting one another on this journey of faith and transformation. In the name of Jesus, our Redeemer, we pray. Amen.

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† Closing Hymn Precious Name

s Name UMH 536

- † Benediction
- † Postlude

[†] Congregation may stand if able

THIS WEEK AT COLINGTON

Monday – 2:15pm: MAT at FFES

Tuesday – 9:00am: Prayer Group

Wednesday – 7:30am: FCA at FFHS

12:00pm: Lenten Lunch at OB Presbyterian

6:00pm: Companions on the Journey

Thursday – 4:00pm: Mobile Food Pantry **Saturday** – 9:00am: Men's Ministry Breakfast

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 20 – 7:30am: FCA at FFMS

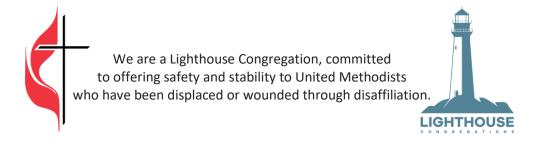
March 28 – 7:30am: SOM at FFES

March 30 – Manna Meal after worship

Thanks to today's vounteers!

Ushers – Cap Pfeiffer, Steve Knowles Scripture Reader – Lettie Baxter

The flowers on the altar are given in celebration of Sherry Rollason's birthday.



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First Sunday in Lent March 9, 2025

