



**WHITNEY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Boise, Idaho**

First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2024

* invites you to stand as you are able

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Prelude Music

Juli Draney

Gathering Song & Candle Lighting

“Whom Shall I Fear”

Six Ways to Sunday

Welcome

Pastor Daryl

Choral Introit

“I Love the Lord”

*Call to Worship

Jessica Owusu-Ansah, liturgist

One: Come, all you people, come and worship.

Many: God has made a covenant with us.

One: Come, all creatures of the earth, come and worship.

Many: God has made a covenant with all creatures.

One: Remember the covenant and be thankful.

Many: God remembers the covenant and God will save us.

*Opening Hymn

“Your Grace is Enough”

Six Ways to Sunday

W&S #3106

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

One: Merciful God, you made your covenant with Noah and all the Earth – a promise that you will always keep.

Many: We acknowledge that we do not always keep our promises.

One: It is tempting to take the easy way out, instead of doing the hard work of following you.

Many: It is tempting to live in the way of the world, instead of living lives modeled on your steadfast love for all people.

One: It is tempting to think we have all the answers, instead of trusting in you.

All: Forgive us for the times we give into temptation and turn away from you. Lead us in your way, O God. Amen

Words of Affirmation

One: The waters of the flood washed the earth clean, and the waters of baptism wash us clean, too. Take your hands and run them over your head, just like water washing over you. Feel God's forgiveness and be at peace.

All: Thanks be to God!

Anthem

"It is Well with my Soul"

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading – Genesis 9:8-1

Poem – "A Rainbow Reminds"

Scripture Reading – Mark 1:9-1

Sermon

"Remember the Rainbow"
Rev. Daryl Blanksma

*Song

"In the Midst of New Dimensions"
FWS #2238

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayers of the People / Lord's Prayer

Announcements

Invitation to Offering/Offertory

*Doxology/Offering Prayer

UMH #94

WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE

Celebrating Black History Month

*Closing Song

“Down by the Riverside”

*Benediction

Postlude

Juli Draney

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 18

SOUP LUNCH

Join us following Worship on February 25 for our monthly soup luncheon. If you can bring a pot of soup, contact Peggy Jackson or the church office.

WHITNEY QUARTERLY

It is time to start putting together the Spring edition of the Whitney Quarterly. If you have articles, pictures, or other information to share please turn it in to the church office by February 27. You can email information to office@whitneyumc.org.

RECONCILING DISCUSSION

The Reconciling Ministries Team would like to begin a discussion of whether or not to affirm the foundational statement of Reconciling Ministries and affiliate with the Reconciling Ministries Network. Our first discussion will take place on Sunday, March 3 following Worship. All persons present who wish to speak will have up to three minutes to present their views.

Whitney UMC is a **SCHOOL OF LOVE** where we learn to love God, one another, ourselves, and creation as Jesus teaches.

ALL Are Welcome Here!

We, the Whitney United Methodist Church, declare that all persons are welcome to attend, join, and participate fully in the life of our congregation regardless of age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic condition, marital status, and mental or physical ability.

Upcoming Events

February 18 – First Sunday in Lent

February 20 – Celia Cowan Circle Potluck/Valentine Program; Noon

February 25 – Soup Lunch following Worship

March 3 – Reconciling Discussion following Worship

A link to our full Calendar of Events can be viewed on our webpage at www.whitneyumc.org.

Assisting in Worship Today:

Liturgist: Jessica Owusu-Ansah	Pianist: Juli Draney
Sound: Bert Allen	Band Director: Kevin Daniel
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