



**WHITNEY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Boise, Idaho**

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024

* invites you to stand as you are able

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Prelude Music

Becca Taylor

Gathering Song & Candle Lighting

“My Life Is in You, Lord”

Six Ways to Sunday

FWS #2032

Welcome

Pastor Daryl

Choral Introit

“Bless His Holy Name”

Andraé Crouch

*Call to Worship

Barbara Nolan, liturgist

One: The Lord is making a new covenant with the
people of God.

**All: Here in this place, Christ writes the law of love
on our hearts.**

One: We are children of the living God.

All: Together, let us worship the Lord of Love!

*Opening Song

“I Give You My Heart”

Six Ways to Sunday

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Ever faithful God, we are so easily led astray from your ways.
We come up with excuse after excuse to follow the footsteps
of culture rather than your footsteps. We turn to things like
money, status, and material possessions as gods instead of
you, our only God. Create in us clean hearts, and put a new
and right spirit in us. Erase our sin and forget it ever
happened. Restore us to the joy of your salvation. Amen.**

Response "Change My Heart, O God"
FWS #2152

Words of Affirmation

God promises to write God's ways on our heart, so that we may always know God's love. Let us rejoice in the mercy of God, know that we are forgiven, and be at peace.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"
W.A.Mozart, arr. by George McLoughlin

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading – Jeremiah 31:31-34

Scripture Reading – John 12:20-33

Sermon "It's a Matter of Heart"
Rev. Daryl Blanksma

*Song "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"
UMH #402

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayers of the People / Lord's Prayer

Announcements

Invitation to Offering/Offertory

*Doxology/Offering Prayer UMH #95

WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE

*Closing Hymn "What Wondrous Love Is This"
UMH #292

*Benediction

Postlude Becca Taylor

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF MARCH 17

OFFICE HOUR CHANGES

The office secretary is gone this week and will return 3/21. Pastor Daryl will be in the office on Monday and Tuesday from 1pm-3pm, or other times by appointment. Beginning on Monday, March 25, office hours on Mondays and Tuesdays will be from 10 am to 3 pm. Thursday hours will continue as usual (1:30pm - 5 pm).

CLOBBER VERSES BIBLE STUDY - Today

There are approximately six verses in Scripture that appear to reference same-sex relations. These passages have formed the basis for many Christians to believe that same-sex relationships are sinful, but is that what they say? These six verses have been dubbed "the clobber passages." Join Pastor Daryl following Worship today to take a look at the clobber passages. What do they really say and how should we understand them today?

SAFETY REVIEW

A group met recently to review church safety as part of our goal of being a Safe place for all people to worship. In order to make our facility more secure we will be locking the North entrance door to the building (the one by the office) once Worship starts. If you arrive late you will need to come around to the East side of the building and enter through the door by the kitchen.

Thank you for your understanding and assistance in keeping Whitney a safe place for everyone!

HOLY WEEK

March 24

Palm/Passion Sunday; 10:00 am Worship
Palm Procession and Reading of Passion Story
Sermon: "Why Did Jesus Have to Die?"
Scriptures: Mark 11:1-11 & Mark 15:1-47
Our March Soup Lunch will follow Worship

March 28

Holy Thursday; 7:00 pm Worship
Service of Prayer and Communion
Scripture: Mark 14:1-72

March 31

Easter; 10:00 am Worship
Bring fresh flowers for our floral cross, and/or potted spring flower (lilies, azaleas, tulips, daffodils, etc.) to decorate the Sanctuary.
Sermon: "Is This Any Way to End a Story?"
Scripture: Mark 16:1-8

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

- March 19 – Celia Cowan Circle; Noon
- March 24 – Palm/Passion Sunday; 10 am Worship
- March 24 – Soup Lunch following Worship
- March 28 – Holy Thursday; 7 pm Worship
- March 31 – Easter; 10 am Worship
- April 3 – United Women in Faith; Noon
- April 7 – Church Council; 11:30 am

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

Assisting in Worship Today:

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| Liturgist: Barbara Nolan | Pianist: Becca Taylor |
| Sound: Bert Allen | Band Director: Kevin Daniel |
| Online Feed: Rich Keefe | Choir Director: Isaac Flake |
| Head Usher: Bill Slupe | Nursery: Lorrie Baer |
| Pastor: Rev. Daryl Blanksma | Visuals: Bobbie Bynum |



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