

# First United Methodist Church 610 E 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Miller, SD 57362



Pastor Teresa Whetsel 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent

Collin Otteson, Organist March 07, 2021

God of Sinai, help me receive your law as grace: gift, not burden. When we walk in your ways, life is better both for us and, more importantly, for our neighbors.

Welcome & Announcements

\*Centering Song: "In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful" #2195

Call to Worship:

One: Gather around, you are welcome here, and you will hear Good News.

Many: In a world where there are so many discouraging and negative voices it is the God of encouragement who will speak to you today. The God of Jesus Christ.

One: So come in, relax, let your tiredness roll away.

Many: Lift up your hearts, and listen.

## Opening Prayer:

O Bread of heaven, come down. Come down and fill us with your Spirit— for your Spirit satisfies like no other. We hunger and thirst for you this morning and long to be nurtured in your love and forgiveness. So we come to this sacred time and place, where our hungers are finally and fully satisfied as only your bread can do. We will wait and listen for your leading in this hour. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Romans 12:9-16

Offering

\*Doxology

### Offertory Prayer:

Almighty and merciful God, as we give our tithes and offerings this morning, we are reminded that it is here that the relationships of our hearts and our connection to the material world intersect. You have called us into the world, into its need, its suffering, its injustice, and its pain; not to be claimed by the world, but as those claimed by you to be agents of change and transformation and healing in the world. So use not only these gifts, these dollars we offer, but use us. Use our hands, use our feet, use our voices, and use our hearts to shape the world for which you long. We pray in the blessed name of Jesus, our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.

Children's Time:

Hymn: "Gather Us In" TFWS #2236

Scripture Reading: Luke 19:1-10

Message Eat With People

Joys/Concerns

**Pastoral Prayer** 

## Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

\*Closing Hymn "Let Us break Bread Together" #618

\*Benediction

In these days of "social distancing" we need to be intentional in our care for one another. Remember to pray for each other. Also phone calls and greeting cards can mean so much for those who are shut in.



# **Prayer List:**

Ida Moser – LaVerta Palmer (Huron) / Virginia Burgher - Dorothy Fawcett - Violet Moncur - Don & Eleanor Steptoe (MGSC) /Helen Dalton (TX)

Others: Merle Bertsch - Norma Carr - Steve Danburg Rita & Aaron Ellsworth - Steve Ellsworth - Arlette Heitzman -Terri Henson - Del & Doris Jury - Jim Keeter, Sr. Gene & Ila Norton - Rick Norton - Lloyd Schwartz Doris Slunecka - Doug Testerman

**PLEASE** contact the church or the Pastor to add or remove names from prayer list or to request a call from Pastor Teresa.

# Welcome to worship, whether in person or online! We are blessed to worship with you today.



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