

ORDER OF WORSHIP
SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 1, 2026 10:00 am

Purple

GATHERING

RINGING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

* LET US GREET OUR WORSHIPING NEIGHBORS

PRELUDE: *Bread of the World*

INTROIT: *Lord I Lift Your Name on High*

INVOCATION:

* HYMN OF PRAISE: *How Great Thou Art*

* CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Spirit of help and hope, be with us this day.

People: Breathe into our prayers and praise.

Leader: Breathe into our spirits.

People: Breathe into our worship with your promise of help, your promise of rebirth, and your promise of blessing.

All: Amen.

*RINGING OF THE TRINITY

INVITATION/CONFESSION AND PARDON

A Service of Word and Table II

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

LENTEN READING: *Diminishing Lights*

CALL TO PRAYER: *Falling on My Knees*

PASTORAL PRAYER

LET US WORSHIP WITH OUR COINS OF CHANGE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

LET US WORSHIP WITH OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: *Grace Greater than our Sin*

* DOXOLOGY: *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #95

HYMN OF PREPARATION: *Thy Word is a Lamp* UMH #601 vs 1

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me, and nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me

to the end. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

GOSPEL READING: John 3:1-17

ANTHEM: *Jesus Never Fails*

SERMON: *"Let Go"*

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*

* GLORIA PATRI: *Glory Be to the Father*

Jerry Loiselle
UMH #77

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Ann Lewin
Chancel Choir

Lindsay Jackson

Al Wood

Chancel Choir

Rev. Paula J. Stover

UMH #881

UMH #70

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

HOLY COMMUNION

A Service of Word and Table II

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THE PRAYER OF THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

SENDING FORTH

* HYMN OF DEDICATION: *To God Be The Glory*

UMH #98

* CHARGE AND BLESSING

* BENEDICTION: *Seven Fold Amen*

Chancel Choir

* POSTLUDE: *Lift High the Cross*

* Congregation Stands—Please stand as you are able in body or in spirit.



The flowers for today are given to the glory of God by Robert Watts in loving memory of his parents.



We welcome you to Socastee United Methodist Church! Thank you for worshipping with us today. We love our new and returning guests and ask that you please put your name and contact information in one of our red pads found in the pews so we can welcome you and get to know you.

Serving Today

Choir Director/Pianist: Lauren Willis

Organist: Marianne Eaton

Ushers: Dale Faulkner, Jimmy Redmon,

Don Jones, Susan Williamson

Steward: George Grzeszkowiak

April/May Steward: John McLaughlin

Nursery Available

Nursery is available in the rear of the sanctuary for children through age 4 during Sunday School and worship. Children's Church is available for ages 4 yrs—5th grade in the Fellowship Hall after Children's Time.

Lectionary Readings for:

Third Sunday in Lent - March 8, 2026

Exodus 17:1-7

Psalms 95

Romans 5:1-11

John 4:5-42

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
FOR THIS WEEK AT SUMC

Today: 10:00 am Following Service	March 1 Second Sunday in Lent/NS Missions Fair/FH
Monday: 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	March 2 Cub Scouts Pack 891/FH Boy Scout Troop 891/FH
Tuesday: 9:00 am 5:30 pm	March 3 Stitchers/JW Girl Scouts/FH
Wednesday: 9:15 am 4:00 pm 5:45 pm 6:45 pm	March 4 TLC Chapel/NS Discipleship Bible Study/FH Adult Bell Choir/Bell Choir Room Chancel Choir Practice/Choir Room
Thursday: 10:30 am	March 5 Thursday Bible Study/JW
Friday: 6:00 pm	March 6 Line Dancing/FH
Saturday	March 7 No events are scheduled
Sunday <i>Don't Forget...</i>	March 8 

Remember our Military Members in Prayer

The addresses of all our military family members will be held in the office and can be made available to anyone who would like them.

- *Major Jon-Michael Farino (USAF)
- *Captain Jennifer and Marc Melfi
- *Airman First Class Cassie Edwards
- *Captain Melissa Hedges
- *Specialist Isaac Hedges
- *CT4 Halle Rae Anderson
- *SSgt. Warren Scoggin
- *CM Sgt. Jessica Heilman
- *M/Sgt. Nicolas McLaughlin
- *Airman William Rogers

Senior Singles

Senior Singles will meet at Travina Italian Kitchen in Market Commons on Thursday, March 5 at 5:30 pm. Please let Al Wood or Joanne Ryals know if you will be attending so they can make reservations.

Needed

The New Directions Men's Shelter is in need of the following for their kitchen: Black Pepper, Hot Sauce, Ranch Dressing, Mayonnaise, Relish, and Salt.

There will be a box in the Narthex until Sunday, March 8th to collect these items. Please see Keith Marin or Katrina Barton for information.

Kidz United Mini-Ministers

On Sunday, March 8, the Kidz United Mini-Ministers will gather for their monthly Act of Service. Following worship, we will meet in the Fellowship Hall to help clean and prepare books for the Little Free Book Fair.

Easter Egg Hunt

Join us on Saturday, March 28, for our Easter Egg Hunt! The hunt begins at 11:00 am, followed by games and fun activities for kids up to 5th grade. We welcome candy donations to help fill the eggs leading up to the event. Candy only is needed-we have plenty of eggs.

OUR PRESENCE 2/22/2026		OUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT	
10am Service	111	In Hospital	No one at this time.
On-Line Views	62	In Rehabilitation	No one at this time.
		In Home	Kate Eley, Charlotte Minnick,

OUR GIFTS as of 2/22/2026 Operating Fund	
Received this week	\$5,216.00
YTD Receipts	\$50,571.54
YTD Expenses	Will report in March

Fellowship Hall	
Received this week	\$475.00
YTD Receipts	\$3,050.00
Required Monthly	\$3,176.26
Loan Balance as of 1/25/26	\$154,514.24

1875 Sanctuary	
Received this week	\$0
YTD Receipts	\$50.00
Account Balance as of 1/25/26	\$6,895.00

Improvements for Present Building//Grounds	
Coins of Change Received this week	\$77.50
YTD Receipts	\$578.00
Balance as of 2/8/26	\$19,225.39



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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor: Rev. Paula J. Stover



Our Vision

Our Vision is to love God and our neighbors. As faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, we welcome, receive, and nurture all who come to us.

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