

## Prayer and Care List

Please pray for those who are homebound, sick and grieving:

**At home:** Liz & Vann Johnson, Aubrey Roane, Anne Eastes, Harriet Heath, Pat Spear

**Churchland House:** Ed Heath

**Lake Prince Woods:** Sarah & Milt Brown

**Parsons:** Mary Alice Thomasson

## Clergy and Staff

Pastor	Rev. Dr. H. Celeste Heath
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## Calendar

<b>March 3</b>	7pm Southside Band
<b>March 4</b>	10am Leadership Board Meeting
<b>March 5</b>	12:30pm Violin classes
	6pm Handbell Rehearsal
	7:15pm Choir Rehearsal

# Monumental



## United Methodist Church

March 1, 2026

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent

11:00 a.m.

## ENTRANCE

### Welcome and Announcements

**Prelude**      *Andante from Sonata 6*      *F. Mendelssohn*

### Gathering Song

Love lifted me Love lifted me  
When nothing else could help, Love lifted me  
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### \*Call to Worship

*Children of God, in Lent we remember that our salvation is an unearned gift, that new life is a matter of faith, not of works.*

***We gather to lay down the burden of trying to earn our salvation.***

*Like Nicodemus, who met Jesus in the dark of night, we struggle to accept that new life is not just possible but given as a free gift of grace.*

***We gather to bring our struggles into the light and embrace God's grace with open arms.***

*Like Paul writing to the Romans, we remember God's promise of new life has always rested on grace.*

***We gather to receive the promise of salvation by grace through faith.***

*Like the many who have followed, questioned, and grown in the faith, we submit ourselves to be formed by grace as we transform our hearts and lives.*

*We gather as people guided by the promise of new life, a promise fulfilled by Christ, whose path we follow.*

\*Hymn *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine* Hymnal# 369

### Opening Prayer

*Loving God, you delight in showing us your kingdom- a place of blessing, a place of light, a place of Spirit and truth. May we be born anew in your Spirit, that we might see the glory you have in store for us and for the world. For you sent your Son into our world, not to condemn us or put us to shame, but that we might have life, and have it abundantly. Amen.*

Scripture Reading *John 3:1-17*  
*Heath Suarez, Claire Suarez, Lila Suarez*

### Offering

Anthem *Will You Come and Follow Me* T. Trenney  
Doxology 95

### Sermon

Morning Prayers TFWS# 2164

*SING: Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living, sanctuary for you.*

Prayer

Silence

The Lord's Prayer

*SING: Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living, sanctuary for you.*

\*Hymn *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart* Hymnal# 629

### Holy Communion

\*Hymn *It Is Well with My Soul* Hymnal# 377

### \*Benediction

*Response (Sung by all)*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
that were an offering far too small  
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.*

Postlude *Trumpet Tune in D Major* D.N. Johnson

\*Please stand if you are able.

### Congregational Offering February 22, 2026

Received: \$2,605.00

Fine Arts.....	\$447.00
Relief Fund.....	\$50.00
Warren Family Gift.....	\$2,300.00
<b>TOTAL GIVING FOR 2/22/2026.....</b>	<b>\$5,402.00</b>

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Today's Volunteers and Health & Safety Team Assignments

Vol.1, W. Roane (R1) check-in; Vol. 2, D. Roane (R2) greeter at Chapel entry door; Vol. 3, R. Scott greeter at Dinwiddie Street door/Acolyte; J. Thacker (R3) Addnl. H&S Resp.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Hymn Festival with Tom Trenney – this afternoon at 3pm.

Noon Day Concert – Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> featuring Annie O'Shea, soprano and Miles Pifer, tenor.

Please check the **Caring Ministry** white board to see who may need a call, card or visit. Reach out to a church member to let them know you care.