

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

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Calendar

March 23	12pm Noon Day Concert
March 24	7pm Southside Band
March 25	5pm Wednesday Night Dinner
March 26	1:30pm Violin classes 6pm Handbell Rehearsal 7:15pm Choir Rehearsal

Monumental



United Methodist Church

March 22, 2026

5th Sunday in Lent

11:00 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Jesus Loves Me* *D. Glover*

Gathering Song

Love lifted me, Love lifted me
When nothing else could help, Love lifted me
Love lifted me, Love lifted me
When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.

Receive into Membership- Lindsay Richardson

Baptism of River Alexander Richardson

*Call to Worship

Some of us come to worship today, weary and worn, heavy with all the circumstances that are too much to bear alone.

We gather to travel God's redemption road together.

Some of us come to worship today, dry and thirsty, longing for relief and peace from the troubles that surround us.

We gather to travel God's redemption road together.

Some of us come to worship today with stories to tell of little resurrections, moments of new life that sprang up when we least

expected them.

We gather to travel God's redemption road together.

Beloved, whatever we bring with us to worship today, God welcomes us and calls us to work together as we travel God's redemption road together.

We gather to be truth-tellers and life-bringers as we travel God's redemption road together.

*Hymn Love Divine, All Love's Excelling Hymnal #384

Prayer of Confession

Lord of life, we come to you consumed by our worry and our pain. When we blame you for not being there in our need, forgive us. When we turn away from you in moments of loss, guide us back to your faithful arms. For we long to put our faith in your promised healing. We yearn to truly believe that you are the resurrection and the life. Teach us once more, Merciful One, that you weep when we weep, and rejoice as we find our way home. Amen.

Scripture Reading John 11:1-45

Offering

Anthem When Peace Like a River D. Grotenhuis

Doxology 95

*Hymn Hymn of Promise Hymnal #707

Sermon Set Us Free

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 Lord of the Dance Hymnal #261

***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 Just A Closer Walk with Thee L. Shackley

*Please stand if you are able.

Congregational Offering March 15, 2026

Received: \$2,890.00

Fine Arts.....	\$20.00
UMCOR.....	\$10.00
Altar Guild (Easter Lilies).....	\$40.00
Use of Bldg & Facilities.....	\$600.00
TOTAL GIVING FOR 3/15/2026.....	\$3,560.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Volunteers and Health & Safety Team Assignments

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Forte Handbell Quartet Concert- Sunday, April 12th at 4pm.

Noon Day Concert – Monday, April 27th featuring Jeff Phelps, cello.