

Third Sunday in Lent - March 8, 2026

If you are worshipping with us for the first time today, **we welcome you in Christ's name**. We invite you to stand, if you are able, where there is a "†" (cross) in the program and to join in speaking with the congregation any parts that are in **bold** type. Our Communion, normally held the first Sunday of every month, is open to all.

Today's Musician: JJ Huntley

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome

Prelude "Jesus Loves Me" arranged by Fred Bock

Reflection: *God, we come to you with so many things laying claim to our lives, our hearts, and our spirits. Open our ears and our hearts this morning to hear your word. That we may be filled with encouragement, our priorities made straight, and our eyes fixed on you. AMEN.*

† Responsive Call to Worship

One: We give thanks for this day that you have made.

Many: Be present with us wherever we find ourselves.

One: Receive all that we offer.

Many: Renew all that we are.

One: Shine your light into our lives

Many: that we might turn our faces to you.

† Opening Hymn "Sing to God" SPP #23

† Passing of the Peace

Offering Invitation: *We express our dedication and thankfulness to God through our presence here & online as well as through the giving of ourselves, our time, our talents, & our offerings. This church prays to be a true & faithful witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ & asks God's blessing on these offerings in Jesus' Name!*

Children's Moment

Today's Scriptures

Our Response ~ *Psalm 95* NCH pg. 683
New Testament ~ *John 4:5-42*

Unison Confession: The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth, but often we fall short of the love that God has for us, and that God expects from us in return. Let us confess our shortcomings and limits of our trust.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness: God's love for us is enduring & available in a deep way right now. The good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ that brings us new life & transformation is arriving even as we speak & worship!

Responsive Prayers for the World by the People

Response: "Holy One, hear our prayer."

The Prayer of Our Savior

Sung by Michelle Humber
as written by Albert Hay Malotte

Sermon "Lessons from the Samaritan Woman at the Well"
Pastor Jono

Music for Meditation "Sweet Hour of Prayer" arranged by Joel Raney

Sharing of Announcements, Prayer Updates, Joys and Concerns

-MUSICIANS' TEAM meeting TODAY right after service—by piano!

-MS/HS Wednesday program will be *this Wednesday from 6-7PM*. All 7-12 grade students are welcome to attend!

-Weekly Updates are working again! If you are not receiving one, just visit pinedalecommunityucc.org and sign up!

-Spring Newsletter is hot off the press! Be sure to grab one!

-Bible Group continues today with our study of *The Way of a Pilgrim*! Anyone—first timer or seasoned veteran—is welcome to join!

-We've updated our "Littles" sign-up: it's now 7th Grade and up!

-Winter Sign-Ups are now available! If you want to read, help out with littles, or join a hospitality group, please sign up in the hall or online!

† Closing Hymn "I Am the Light of the World" NCH #584

† Benediction

† **Recessional** "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart" as arranged by Mark Hayes

Three pastors go fishing on a boat. After some time fishing they decided to confess their sins to each other.

The first says, "I am embarrassed to admit this, but sometimes I take money from the donations and gamble on sports."

The second says, "Well... I'm embarrassed to admit that I drink more than I should. Sometimes I even hide bottles in the church office."

Then there is a long silence. The two pastors say to the third, "Hey! We confessed. What about you...surely you have sinned?"

After a minute the third pastor says, "Well my sin is gossip, and I can't wait to get off this boat!"



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Psalm 16:11