

McFarlin Memorial United Methodist Church
Sanctuary Worship: March 15, 2026

Call to Worship

Gothic Fanfare - Lester Groom

Stephen Wurst, organ

Welcome

Wendi Neal

***Hymn # 428**

For the Healing of the Nations

***Litany for Lent: From Ashes to Beauty**

8:30 Gayle St. John; 11:00 Harris Phillips

Leader: Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return.

Let the memory of your incomplete humanity
awaken you to the wonders, joys, sorrows, and pain of life.

**All: May the ashes we wear be the ashes of transformation;
of awakening to the beauty and love of seizing the moment
and living it to the fullest.**

**Let it be said of us that here in this little part of eternity we lived fully, loved extravagantly
and helped humanity evolve into all that God dreamed we can be!**

**We are fearfully and wonderfully made In the image of the ONE
who is was and ever more shall be Creator, Christ and Spirit ONE, Amen.**

~ written by Pastor Dawn (adapted)

***Response # 898**

Amen
Amen, amen, amen.

Congregational Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Wendi Neal

Children's Time

Daphne Fix

**Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

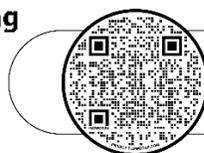
Children's worship will not meet today. Activity bags are available at the entrances to the Sanctuary.

***Hymn # 431**

Let There be Peace on Earth

***Invitation to Our Offering**

8:30 Gayle St. John; 11:00 Harris Phillips



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Lives that Change the World!

Anthem (8:30) O Lord, My Rock and my Redeemer - arr. Brad Henderson

Kayley Williamson, soloist

*O Lord, my rock and my redeemer, greatest treasure of my longing soul.
My God, like you there is no other; true delight is found in you alone.
Your grace, a well too deep to fathom; your love exceeds the heavens' reach;
your truth, a fount of perfect wisdom; my highest good and my unending need.*

*O Lord, my rock and my redeemer, strong defender of my weary heart;
my sword to fight the cruel deceiver and my shield against his hateful darts.
My song when enemies surround me; my hope when tides of sorrow rise;
my joy when trials are abounding; your faithfulness, my refuge in the night.*

*O Lord, my rock and my redeemer, gracious savior of my ruined life.
My guilt and cross laid on your shoulders; in my place you suffered, bled, and died.
You rose, the grave and death are conquered, you broke my bonds of sin and shame.
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer, may all my days bring glory to your name.*

(11:00) I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say - John Helgen

Chancel Choir

*I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest;
lay down, thou weary one, lay down thy head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was, weary and worn and sad;
I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.*

*I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give the living water;
thirsty one, stoop down, and drink, and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.*

*I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;
look unto me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk, till trav'ling days are done.*

***Doxology # 95**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

8:30 Gayle St. John; 11:00 Harris Phillips

Sermon

From Ashes to Beauty: If We're Too Scared about Fights, We'll Never Do Things Together"

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Invitation to Christian Discipleship

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***Hymn # 298**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

***Sending Forth**

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***Benediction # 298**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross, vs. 4

**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

If You But Trust in God to Guide You - John Behnke

Stephen Wurst, organ

Dr. Stephen Wurst, Dir. of Music Ministries and Organist

Dr. Giovanni Corrodus, Assoc. Dir. of Music Ministries and Director of Choirs

Kayley Williamson, Director of Children's Choir and Modern Worship



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