

North Olmsted United Methodist Church

Feeding the Community –
Body, Mind, and Spirit

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Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm, Pastor



SECOND SUNDAY
in Lent

Prayer Concerns

First Responders	Donald R.
Victims of natural disasters	Susan W.
Those suffering from mental illness	Viola C. Barbara B.
Those affected by gun violence	Lois D.
Those who are homeless	Keith A.
Our condolences to Carole A. following the passing of her nephew, Dan	Mary, lifted by Susan W. Monica, lifted by Susan W. Donna, sister of Carol N. Selene, lifted by Carole A.
Joan L.	Judy, lifted by Brenda F.
Sterling B.	Bev, lifted by Josh O.
Dallas, Terri W.'s father	Steve, lifted by Mary Ellen M.
Wayne, lifted by Liz L.	Matthew F., USAF
Carol, lifted by Sally & Will S.	Lt. Col. Bill G., USMC
Sherry, lifted by Sally & Will S.	Christopher Y., USAF
Carol W.	
Ron W.	
Teresa, Michelle W.'s cousin	
Josh O. and Guylene H.	
Miriam, lifted by Janis J.	
Patty, lifted by Janis J.	

This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries

March 17	Kris Hipple	March 19	Liam Benko
March 17	Kim & Ken Delfing		

Second Sunday in Lent March 13, 2022 + 10:30 am

Welcome and Passing of the Peace

L: The grace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

P: **And also with you!**

Celebration of Ministries and Missions

Prelude

Prayer

Alexander Guilmant

***Call to Worship**

Ed Brewster

L: We are on a journey of faith. Jesus is our leader and our guide.

P: **We place our trust in him.**

L: As the daylight hours grow longer,
our journey takes on an urgency.

P: **We must prepare our hearts for Jerusalem.**

L: Do not fear! God goes before us, into Jerusalem, into the world.

P: **Amen!**

***New Testament Reading** Philippians 3:17-4:1

***Unison Prayer**

Lord, we come to you this morning with concerns and issues that demand our attention. Our lives can become burdened and our spirits tired. Guide our lives and our steps as we walk this Lenten journey, inward and outward. Help us to discern what you would have us do, that we and others may live in hope and be renewed in vision and strength. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

***Hymn** *Be Thou My Vision* UMH 451

Prayers of the People

Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Unison Prayer of Confession

There is a certain winter in our spirits today, O Lord. We feel that the journey on which we have embarked will demand too much of us. There are so many other things in our lives which claim our spirits, our energy, our hopes and fears. It is easy to be like Jerusalem, turning our backs on those whom you send. The world shouts its solutions to us and then deserts us when we are in need. Forgive us for the many times in which we have strayed from your pathway of life; when we have chosen not to hear the cries of those in need; when we have belittled the gifts and skills you have given us in order to avoid serving others. Heal us, O Lord. Place us back on your path to Jerusalem, to live, for we ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Words of Assurance

When God called your name, God called you to a journey of faith. Do not be afraid to look inside to see those things which are holding you back from being who God created you to be. Place your trust in God who is always with you, loving you into wholeness.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we

forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Anthem *Is it I, Lord?* Ruth Elaine Schram
Flute: Nancy Driftmyer

Invitation for the Offering

Offertory *Lamb of God* J. S. Bach

***Doxology** UMH 95

***Prayer for the Offering**

Gospel Reading Luke 13:31-35

Hymn *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley* TFWS 2112

Sermon "Blessed Is the One" Rev. Hoyte L. Wilhelm

***Hymn** *Gather Us In* TFWS 2236

***Responsive Benediction**

L: Be strong in the Lord. You can walk in God's ways, for God is with you, offering you peace, hope, courage, and joy.

P: **God's love abides with you always. Go in peace. Amen.**

Postlude *The God of Abraham of Praise* arr. Len Bobo

Today's Worship Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm

Organist: Marlene Dirksen

Choir Director: Gabriela Martinez

Liturgist: Ed Brewster

Greeters: Charlene & John Vas, Greg Lavelle

Ushers: Judi Wagner, Guylene Harold

Audio Video Elements: John and Michelle Wolter, Phil Wolter