

JOYS & CONCERNS

A MOMENT OF HEALING BLESSINGS

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\*HYMN *Sanctuary*

TFWS #2164

\*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

Go forth, beloved of God, as living temples of the Holy Spirit.

May the love of God uphold you,

The peace of Christ surround you,

And the power of the Holy Spirit transform you,

So that your life may reflect the holiness and love of our Lord.

Go in peace. **Amen.**

FAREWELL *Go Now in Peace (2x)*

UMH #665

POSTLUDE *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*  
by Michael Burkhardt

**OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED** **NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS**

Community United Methodist Church

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10 a.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT	March 16, 2025
PRELUDE	<i>Meditation from "Thais"</i> by Jules Massened	
INTROIT	<i>I Will Call Upon the Lord</i> by Michael O'Shields	CUMC Adult Choir
WELCOME ALL CHILDREN OF GOD		
GREETINGS		
One: The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.		
<b>All: And also with you.</b>		
One: The risen Christ is with us.		
<b>All: Praise the Lord!</b>		
PASSING OF THE PEACE		
One: May God increase our love for one another and strengthen our hearts in holiness, as we greet one another in peace. The peace of the Lord be with you		
<b>All: And also with you</b>		
*HYMN	<i>Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing</i>	UMH #400
CALL TO WORSHIP		
One: Come, people of God, let us gather in the presence of the Holy One!		
<b>All: We come, for we are God's temple, and the Spirit of God dwells in us.</b>		
One: God calls us to holiness, not as a burden, but as a gift of grace.		
<b>All: We long to be made holy, set apart for God's purposes.</b>		
One: Trust in the promise of God's renewing work in us.		
<b>All: We will walk by faith.</b>		
One: Come, let us worship the Lord who calls us to holiness!		
OPENING PRAYER		
<b>Holy and gracious God, you have called us to be set apart, to be your dwelling place, and to reflect your glory in the world. Yet we confess that we often fall short of this calling. In this time of worship, renew our hearts, cleanse our spirits, and strengthen our faith to live as your holy people. May our lives bring you honor and praise. We offer this time to you in the name of Jesus. Amen.</b>		
A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES	"Children's Message"	Virginia Lorenzi
CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS		

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, you have called us to holiness, yet we confess that we have defiled the temple of our hearts with selfishness, pride, and fear. We seek security in what is temporary rather than trusting in your eternal promises. We turn away from your Spirit's work in us, resisting transformation. Forgive us, Lord. Restore in us a holy desire to walk in your ways, to be shaped by your love, and to live as witnesses of your grace. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.**

A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the good news: God, who calls us to holiness, is also the one who makes us holy. In Christ, we are forgiven, redeemed, and made new. The Spirit dwells in us, transforming us day by day. **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS: 1 Corinthians 3:16-17  
2 Corinthians 5:1-10  
Luke 13:31-35

One: The Word of God for the people of God

**All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "The Call to Holiness" Rev. Sue H. Yun

INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

God has set us apart for his holy work, calling us to be generous as he is generous. As we offer our gifts today, may they be a reflection of our desire to be faithful stewards of God's grace. Let us give with joyful and willing hearts, knowing that our offerings further the work of God's kingdom.

WEEKLY OFFERING & NOISY OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Song of Surrender* CUMC Adult Choir  
by Carol M. Hodge / David Lantz III

\*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #95

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Holy God, we thank you for the abundant blessings you have poured into our lives. May these gifts we bring today be used for your glory, building up your church and bringing hope to those in need. Set them apart for your holy work, just as you set us apart to be your people. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.**