

Anthon Community Methodist Church

5th Sunday in Lent

Lay Pastor Shirley Nelson

March 17, 2024 10:00 AM

Prelude and Lighting of Altar Candles

We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome and Announcements

Lenten Candle Journey ~ We Extinguish the Fifth Candle Lisa Kerns

Opening Song "O Worship the King" UMH #73

Call to Worship Liturgist: Lisa Kerns

L: This is the fifth step on our Lenten journey, the step of sacrifice.

P: Be with us, Lord, as we take this step.

L: This requires the willingness to give all of your life to the Lord.

P: Be with us, Lord, as we commit our lives to you.

L: Come, let us worship and offer our voices of praise to God.

P: Let us open our hearts and spirits to God this day. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Lord, be with us this day as we commit ourselves to being your disciples.

Help us to face the future unafraid, trusting in your loving care and

presence with us. We pray this in Jesus' name. AMEN.

We Hear God's Word

First Reading Jeremiah 31: 31-34

Children's Story Andrea Mitchell

Hymn of Preparation "My Jesus I Love Thee" UMH # 172

Second Reading Luke 23: 32, 39-43

Today's Message Kathy Hodgdon

God Calls Us to Respond

PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE (Joys and Concerns)

The Lord's Prayer

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

***Doxology #95,**

Prayer of Dedication

All: Generous God, you have blessed us with so much. Take these gifts and cause them to work for you in this world which you have loaned to us. AMEN.

Closing Hymn "Lift High the Cross" UMH #159

Ministers.....EVERYONE!

Lay Pastor.....Shirley Nelson

Liturgist.....Lisa Kerns

Organist/Pianist.....Eileen Van Meeteren

IN THE CIRCLE OF OUR CONCERN:

OUR COUNTRY, OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, our church, our community leaders, our president, our farmers, Bobby Lewis, Nina Osborne,

Tom & Cindy Herrick, Fran & Keith Determann, David Beach,

Ed Davis, Brad Harbaugh, Alta Patterson, Trisha Theisen, Keith Allman, Brady Gothier, Eleanore Lewis, Jean Petersen, Rick Gubbels, Lana Kropf, Tracy Lewis,

Roberta Houlsworth, John Hodgdon, Roger Nelson, and Peggy Hansen.

Remember our Nursing Home Residents!

Please let us know if anyone should be added or removed from this list.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

March 23: Come and enjoy Saturday, March 23 @ 3 pm matinee will show Episodes 4-5 with potluck during break after episode 4. Please share your favorite dish.

March 24: Palm Sunday

March 31: Easter Sunday, Breakfast at 8:30 am & Worship at 10:00 am.

March Readers: Mar. 24-Marilyn Hladik; 31-JoLynne Reimert; April 7-Eileen Klindt.

March Children's Story: Mar. 24- JoLynne Reimert; 31-Rhonda Beeson; April 7-Kathy Hodgdon;

Weekly Birthdays and Anniversaries: Jennifer Adler (20)

March Mission Project: The Gospel Mission is in need of Men's, Women's, and children's clothing, coats, shoes, all wearable items. You name it.... they need it. Now is a good time to get a jump on cleaning your closets and donate any extra clothes you may have to those who are less fortunate than we are. You can drop off clothes in the foyer of the church. We will start leaving the front doors unlocked for the month of March.

Mar/Apr. Upper Room Devotionals are on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

Anthon Military: To our men and women in uniform.... past, present and future, God Bless You and Thank You!

If you have a loved one connected to the service, please let us know.

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