



**Sunday, March 6, 2022 ~ First Sunday in Lent**  
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Miller Commons)

### Way of the Week

**15. WELCOME CHANGE.** Be curious about new ideas, perspectives, and approaches. Get excited by the possibilities that change can bring. What worked in the past won't always work in the future, for God is doing new things.

*"And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. For the wine would burst the wineskins, and the wine and the skins would both be lost. New wine calls for new wineskins." (Mark 2:22)*

Ideas for Action: This is a simple one, so try it. Sit in a different pew in the Sanctuary or seat in Miller Commons next Sunday. See what happens.

### Welcome and Work of God's People

Rev. Wes Allen

### Prayer of Adoration

Cole Legath

### Songs of Praise

***Good God Almighty  
You Won't Let Go***

Worship Team

David Crowder

### Prayer of Confession

Paul Savage

I have failed.  
I have gloated.  
I have hated.  
I have ignored.  
I have raged.  
I have hoarded.  
I have judged.

I have turned away.

I am sorry.

I am exhausted.

I am done.

Fix me; heal me; break and remake me; hold me; comfort me; nurture me; revive me; resuscitate me; bring me back from death.

I give you the last word, O God.

*Silence for personal prayer*

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## Assurance of Forgiveness

Paul Savage

My friends, God is not done with us, not by a long shot. You are more beloved than you can ever know; and God is working in you and in the world beyond our wildest imagining. The beginning of all that is forgiveness. So know that you are indeed forgiven, and be at peace. Amen.

**We receive and trust God's love and this certain good news. Amen.**

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## Offertory

Paul Savage

*THANK YOU for your faithful giving and for remembering the church as we begin a new year in ministry. Your offerings dramatically impact our ministry and allow us to support church operations and our work around the world. Those attending in person may leave an offering in the box. Electronic giving is here to stay! Take advantage of this simple, secure [automatic withdrawal](#). Donate directly from your phone via the Church Center app, too.*

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## Praise Song

Worship Team

***From the Inside Out***

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## Sermon

Rev. Stuart Spencer

***Mercy, Mercy Me***

Scripture Text: [Luke 18:35-45 \(NLT\)](#)

Sermon Series: On the Way, Praying

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## Communion Song

Worship Team

***Lord, Make Me Your Instrument***

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## Communion

Rev. Allen

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution & the Lord's Prayer

The Bread and the Cup (*Please prepare a communion serving for yourself and any who are worshipping with you.*)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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## Benediction and Going Forth

Rev. Spencer

## 11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

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<b>Audio:</b>	Taylor Adair
<b>Livestream:</b>	Jonathan Nawrocki
<b>Visuals:</b>	Alice Conley
<b>Worship Team:</b>	Martin Bass-Guitar; Christine Bass-Keys; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Don Stevens-Bass; Barry Overton-Drums; Michelle Davis-Vocals; Cheryl Stevens-Vocals
<b>Flower Arrangers:</b>	Fran Green, Debbie Heller and Carol Benner
<b>Ushers:</b>	Dave Barr and Jason Rose
<b>Trustee Greeter:</b>	Rich Corbin
<b>Check-in:</b>	Jason Rose

**Today's flowers** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of their mother, Jean, by Nancy Sinunu Kyle and Mike Sinunu.

**Check-ins:** Check-in is self-check in only on your smart phone (no QR code to swipe). Volunteer(s) remain available to assist. Please remember to check in from home when watching the live stream.

**New Protocols:** Effective February 27 Session approved revised COVID-19 safety protocols effective immediately. **Masks are optional for vaccinated adults.** This includes all meetings for all groups. Congregational singing remains discontinued. We will not serve nor eat food indoors. Session and staff will continue to monitor the pandemic and make changes as warranted.

Visit **Grand Central Table** in the Commons Lobby! This is our "headquarters" to learn and [sign up](#) for all things to do with this year's [Lenten Study](#) of [The Way of a Pilgrim](#).

**Families:** You can pick up your [Lent-in-a-Bag](#) at Grand Central Table.

Pick up a copy of "**Grace Unbounded**," our Lent devotional, (at Grand Central Table) for \$3.00 or in the church office. *Grace Unbounded* provides daily devotions from Ash Wednesday to Easter from the Gospel of Luke.

**Praying the Jesus Prayer Seminar:** For the Thursdays in Lent, Pastor Spencer offers a 30-minute Zoom seminar on the Jesus Prayer. He'll provide additional background and teaching before leading participants in praying the prayer. Please register through the Events page on our website. There's no cost; and friends outside the church are welcome.

We are looking for additional **Ushers** for the 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Service. Men and women welcome. Contact coordinator Steve Connlain at [sconnlain@gmail.com](mailto:sconnlain@gmail.com) or the church office.

PW is collecting **white cotton socks** for the Christian Caring Center. A box is located in the Commons Lobby through Easter.

**Meal Train Distribution List:** When there is a need for meals within the church, Jean Donahue creates a Meal Train, and lets people know they can sign up to bring a meal to someone. Signing up doesn't mean you have to pick up a meal. When there is a need, Jean let's people know so they can decide based on what works for their schedule. We are trying to expand the current list. Contact the church office to be included on the list.