



POLK CITY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MARCH 21, 2021

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Check our website for opportunities to [Serve](#) by providing a meal or making care calls

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[Schedule for Holy Week & Easter:](#)

Palm/Passion Sunday – 9:30 AM
in-person & online

Good Friday – 7:00 PM online only

Easter Sunday – 9:30 AM outdoors
(church soccer field) & online

Easter Egg Hunt – 10:30 AM
outdoors (immediately following
Easter worship)

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Children/Youth Ministry:

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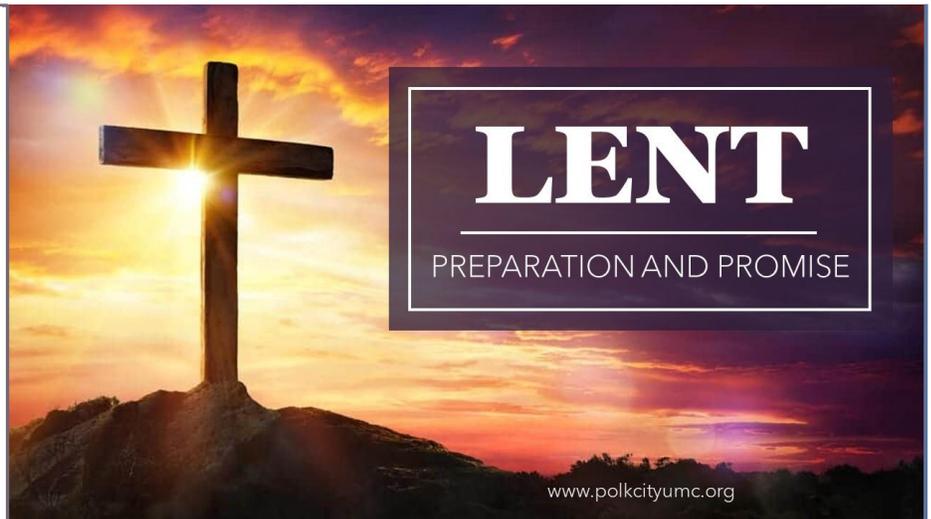
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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Worship online: [Facebook Live](#) or on our [Website](#)

*All words for communal speaking are included below.
You are encouraged to either speak the words in bold aloud as you
worship, and to sing out your praise, or to attend to these words
for worship and meditate on their meaning.*

*You are also invited to greet one another and post prayer requests
in the [Facebook](#) comments or to fill out the [website](#) connect card.*

CENTERING MOMENT

“The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Jacob”. “I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people”. As we light the candles for worship, give thanks for God’s promise of love. Invite the light of Christ into your heart. Allow it to illumine the law of God written there and become aware that we each must practice this law each and every day if it is to guide us as God intends. Come. Let us worship God.

SONG OF PRAISE**“One Thing Remains”****OPENING PRAYER**

O God of our Hearts, you yearn to be so close to us that we can know you in every breath, in every hope, in every relationship. Meet us here today and teach us to recognize the covenant of justice, peace and love you have written on our hearts. So may our desires become your desires, our work become your work, and our community become the place where you are sought and found. In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Carol Parrott

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34; John 12:20-33

James Menke

SONG OF PREPARATION**“Come Thou Fount”****SERMON****“Standing on the Promise”**

Rev. Melody Webb

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP OR MEMBERSHIP**SONG OF INVITATION****“Just As I Am”****PASTORAL PRAYER**

Lauren Wilken

Post prayer requests in the [Facebook](#) comments or fill out the [website](#) connect card.

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.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Make your offering [online](#) or mail checks to 1421 W. Broadway St., Polk City, IA 50226 (Attn: Finance Secretary)

DOXOLOGY

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

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of compassion, when we failed to keep your commandments and rebelled against that which would bring peace and joy to our lives, your love was so great that you offered us a new covenant – not written on tablets, but on our hearts. In our giving, and in all our offerings, may it be our lives, our love and devotion that we bring to your altar. May we remember in our giving that you loved us so much that the sacrifice of your Son on the cross for us was not too great a cost. Our gifts are meager in comparison, but let them remind us of what you gave first. In Christ, our Savior and Redeemer, we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF BLESSING

With God’s law of love engraved on your heart, let this inner compass guide you. Discern the still small voice that whispers with every heartbeat. From cold words written on a page, discover the promise of the heart— the warm beat of the living law of love.

SONG OF SENDING**“Standing on the Promises”**

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