

***Calling In Hymn** *Blessed assurance* # 332

Prelude *March* from “Suite for Handbells” M. Helman
(Oak Grove Ringers)

The congregation responds in bold.

In this season of Lent, we make our way to the cross,
always aware that it was our sins that led you there:
our bad choices, our selfish acts, our intentional
cruelty—and the effects of those that ripple out
from us like waves on water.

In this season of Lent, as we make our way to the cross,
we seek to better understand the fierce, relentless love
that God has for us,

understanding that Jesus came, reliving and retelling the human story with the trust in God's goodness that was always the point.

We seek to embrace with both arms a trust in God and God's place for us in his kingdom.

So we make our Lenten journey to the cross.

*Hymn *We walk by faith* # 570

O God, your mercy is infinite and in your will is our peace. We learn your way so slowly; we choose your will so reluctantly. As we learn the limitlessness of your love, help us through the guidance of your Holy Spirit to learn the meaning of our Lord's suffering and to choose his example of humility. Amen.

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| Offertory | <i>Near the Cross</i> | Doane |
| *Response | <i>Praise God from whom</i> | # 119 |

Anthem *Wondrous Love* arr. M. Eithun
 (Oak Grove Ringers)

Scripture Matthew 4:1-11 (NT, p. 3)
Romans 5:15-17 (NT, p. 156)

Message *Do it again, and get it right this time*

Pastoral Prayer, with the Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your name, Amen.

*Hymn *Make me a captive, Lord* # 539

***Sending Song** *Jesus, remember me* # 247

***Postlude** *Blessed Assurance* Knapp
*Please stand as you are able.

**See bulletin insert for information regarding
Awakening Worship services and Bible Studies**

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| Monday | 9:00 a.m. | ESL |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Crafts |
| Tuesday | 5:30 p.m. | Handbells |
| Wednesday | 9:00 a.m. | ESL |
| Thursday | 9:30 a.m. | Women's Bible Study |
| | 2:00 p.m. | Games |
| Saturday | 4:00 p.m. | Wedding shower for Toria Knox and Pat Rogers |
| Sunday | 9:45 a.m. | Sunday School |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Worship |

Rachel Mabe, battling cancer
Ralph Petcher, long term chemo for Leukemia
Betty Phillips, rehab at Friendship Manor South
Dennis Shearer, surgery scheduled for March 20
Carol Jones, recovering from surgery

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Instrumentalists

Stephen Wills organ
Joe Blaha piano

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Diane Hollins, Rosie Wood, Jill Mooney, Joan Simpson,
Darlene Rayfield, Becky Widdowson
Director: Diane Grant

ATTENDANCE (3/10)

Sunday School- 41

Worship- 90 (in person); 21 (online) = 111

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Our Meditation Garden is available for prayer in the side yard of our church property.



Need a hearing device, wheelchair, cushion, or have a question? Our head usher will be glad to be of assistance.



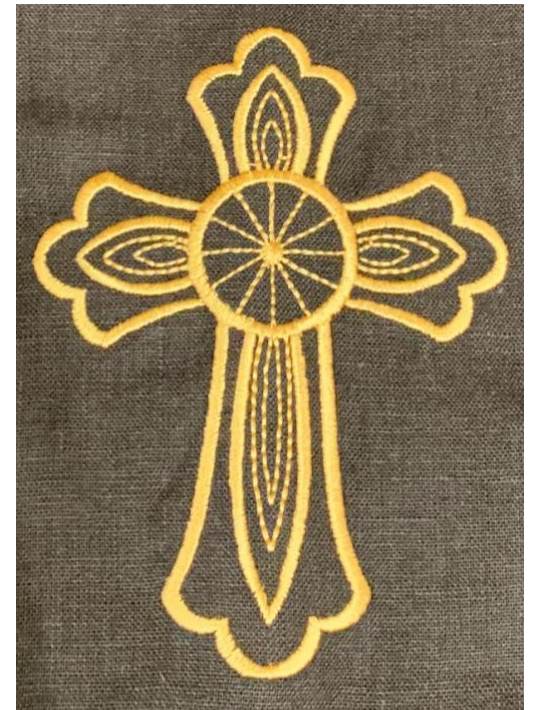
Childcare is available during the worship service for children birth to 2nd grade.



Hospitality is an important part of our life together—we want to know your name! If you're new here, we'd be glad to make a nametag for you. If you've been here a while, we'd love to provide a permanent nametag.



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*AH, HOLY JESUS:
THE MEANING OF THE CROSS*

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 17, 2024**