

First Church Family

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS

Your prayer requests are being prayed over by your pastors, staff and prayer teams. To submit your prayer requests call the church office at **605-336-3652**; go online at **sfumc.org/prayer-requests**; or email Pam at **knuthp@sfumc.org**. Prayer requests submitted without direct permission from the person you are requesting prayer for will remain confidential. Be sure to mark the online prayer request form appropriately.

JOYS & CONCERNS

- Al *(requested by Caitlin Marsh)*
- Family of Luke Reimers *(requested by Dawn Hieb)*
- Jerry Wadleigh *(father of Dina (Jason) Vostad, grandfather of Jacob & Justin Vostad)*
- Troy Baltzer *(husband of Rhonda Baltzer, son-in-law of Larry & Sue Engeltjes, brother-in-law of Pam (Nate) Knuth)*
- Jarred Nolte *(son of Lisa Utech)*
- Cort Schepeler *(brother of Bill (Renita) Schepeler)*
- Father and family of Carrie Schilling
- Roberta Callaghan
- Anna Gilbertson *(daughter of Traci & Brad Gilbertson)*
- David Dunlap
- Barbara Culey *(sister of Constance Culey)*

DEATHS

- Joyce Rosenberg

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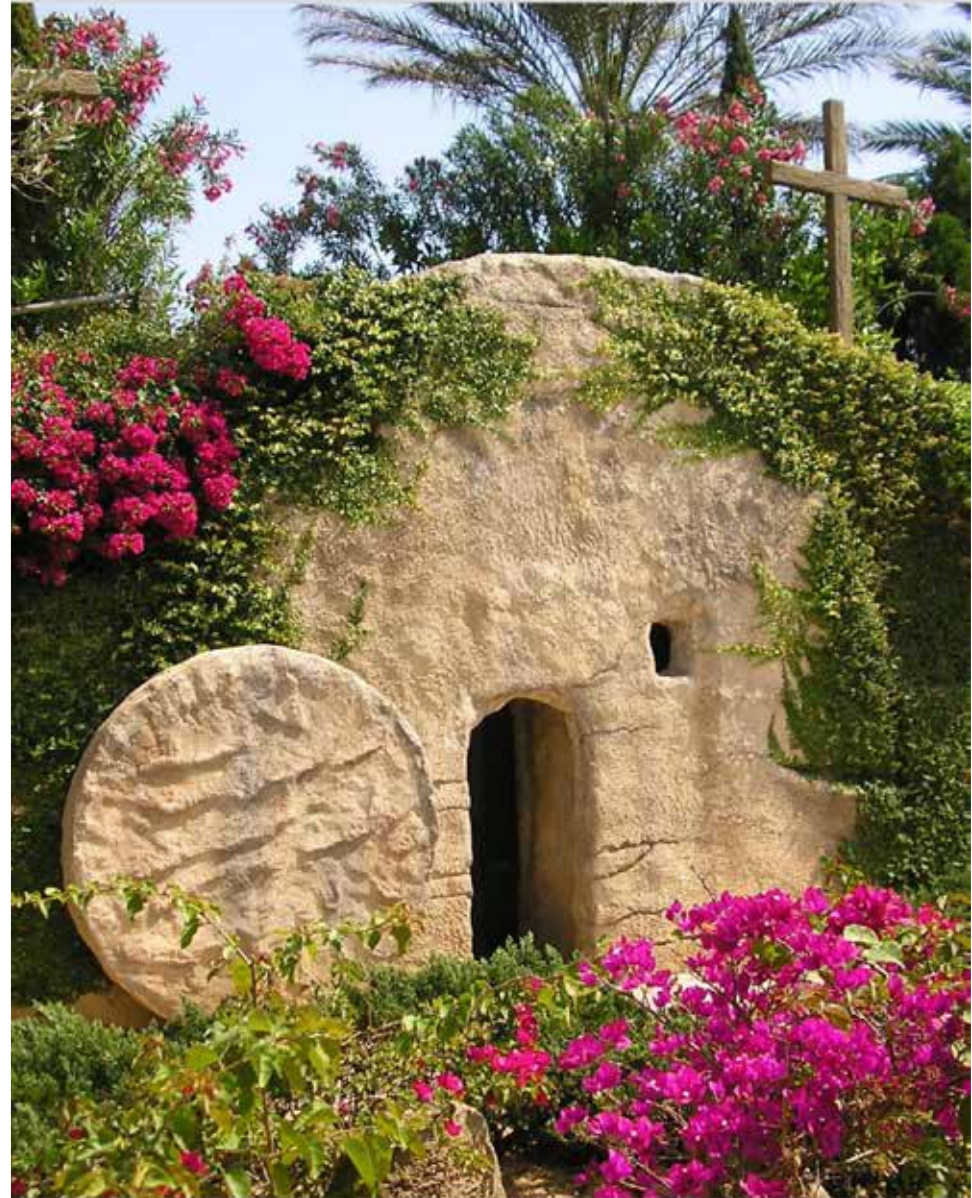
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THE THIRD DAY:

Living The Resurrection



Lent Sermon Series 2/14-3/31

Worship @ First, February 25, 2024

The Third Day: Living the Resurrection

8:30 Traditional Service

Prelude Marcia Klimes

Opportunities and Greetings

Time of welcome and greeting - please complete the online or in-person Connect Card.

Call to Worship †

One: When we feel we don't deserve forgiveness...

ALL: Come to Jesus. He will forgive.

One: When we feel that no one will understand...

ALL: Come to Jesus. He will understand.

One: When we feel the world is crashing down...

ALL: Come to Jesus. He will be with us, forevermore. Amen.

Hymn of Praise † *Come, Christians Join to Sing*, No. 158

Lenten Reading

Invitation to Prayer

Unison Prayer of Confession †

Silent Prayer / Pastoral Prayer / Lord's Prayer †

Gift of Music *My Heart is Longing*, Chancel Choir Quartet

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer †

Generous God, pour out your wisdom upon us so that we may use these gifts for your goodness in the world. May our hands and feet go where your Spirit leads so that people of all backgrounds may know your love. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Hymn of Faith † *O How I Love Jesus*, No. 170

Scripture † John 21:3-19 (CEB)

Message "Simon Peter", Pastor Sara Nelson

Hymn of Commitment † *Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service*, No. 581

Sending Forth (Unison) †

As we go from here, we go into the world to live as disciples of Jesus Christ to be a sanctuary of Christian hope, love, and encouragement in the heart of Sioux Falls. Be encouraged. Amen.

Sending Song † *Thine Be The Glory (v. 1)*, No. 308

Postlude Marcia Klimes

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9:45 Unity Service

Centering *My Heart is Longing*, Chancel Choir Quartet

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Call to Worship †

Holy Ground Unity Band

L: Let us pray

Time of Music †

Come, Christians Join to Sing No. 158

Refiner's Fire Unity Band

Kids Connect

Lenten Reading

Tithes and Offerings

Offering

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone) Unity Band

Prayers of the People / Lord's Prayer †

Gift of Music *Mercy*, Chancel Choir

Scripture † John 21:3-19 (CEB)

Message "Simon Peter", Pastor Sara Nelson

Closing Song † *Rock of Ages (You Will Stand)*, Unity Band

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Sending Song † *Rock of Ages (You Will Stand) (reprise)*, Unity Band

Postlude Marcia Klimes



Sermon Notes

Gather, Grow, Go Opportunities

- ✓ Worship with us next Sunday as we explore Thomas.
- ✓ Interested in serving with our Feeding South Dakota or Banquet teams. Talk with Pastor Jordan about these opportunities.
- ✓ Join our Easter Egg-Stravaganza Team (March 24). Talk to LuAnn Berkhof, our Director of Children's Ministries.

Prayer for the Week

*God of Second Chances, help me move past my past
to see the light of a new day. Amen.*

Grow Through Bible Study

1. Read the Scripture. What words or phrases stand out to you?
2. How will you apply these words to your daily life?
 - Day One – John 21: 1-19 (CEB)
 - Day Two – Psalm 130 (CEB)
 - Day Three – Genesis 50:15-21 (CEB)
 - Day Four – Acts 11:1-18 (CEB)
 - Day Five – Luke 15:11-32 (CEB)

Spiritual Practice — Silence

Spiritually, it is important for us to listen to God. Prayer is a conversation and there are times where we need to hear God speak. Spending time in silence can help us do that. In a world of constant noise and productivity, silence can also help center us, calm us, and simply let us be.

1. Set aside some time at the beginning or the end of your day.
2. Get into a comfortable position, breathe steadily, and close your eyes.
3. Try to spend at least five minutes in silence. Set a timer. Listen for any words that may come.
4. If your mind wanders, don't get upset. Perhaps come back to a word or phrase like "God loves me" or "Speak, Lord, I'm listening."
5. Close your time with prayer or a simple, "Amen."

