

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

- Mike McConniel (*husband of Cynthia McConniel*)
- 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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THE THIRD DAY:

Living The Resurrection



Lent Sermon Series 2/14-3/31

Worship @ First, March 10, 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: As we walk along the road of life, do we hear Jesus calling us?

ALL: "Come and follow me. Go and share the good news!"

One: Do our hearts burn with the love and mercy of our God?

ALL: We hear him calling. But where do we go? What do we share?

One: We go to the people—people in need of the good news of Christ.

ALL: Into the world, we go. Into the world to love, as he loved us. Amen.

"Forward in Faith: A Sanctuary for Today and Tomorrow" Capital Campaign

Hymn of Praise † Praise to the Lord, Almighty, No. 139

Lenten Reading

Invitation to Prayer

Unison Prayer of Confession †

Silent Prayer / Pastoral Prayer / Lord's Prayer †

Gift of Music..... Sanna, Sannanina (Holy, Most Holy Lord), Les Cloches

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer †

Generous God, you have been faithful throughout the generations, providing much for our mission and vision as your people. Give us the courage to continue moving forward in faith, sharing and using the gifts to spread your good news and bless our community with hope, love, and encouragement. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Hymn of Faith † Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah, No. 127

Scripture † Luke 24:13-32 (CEB)

Message "Emmaus", Pastor Sara Nelson

Hymn of Commitment † Leaning on the Everlasting Arms, No. 133

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 Sanna, Sannanina (Holy, Most Holy Lord), Les Cloches

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Call to Worship †

Holy Ground Unity Band

L: Let us pray

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Time of Music †

Praise to the Lord, Almighty No. 139

Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me..... Unity Band

Kids Connect

Lenten Reading

Tithes and Offerings

Offering

My Feet Are On The Rock..... Unity Band

Prayers of the People / Lord's Prayer †

Gift of Music Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone), Chancel Choir

Scripture † Luke 24:13-32 (CEB)

Message "Emmaus", Pastor Sara Nelson

Closing Song † Build Your Kingdom Here, Unity Band

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Sending Song † Build Your Kingdom Here (reprise), Unity Band

Postlude..... Marcia Klimes



Sermon Notes

Gather, Grow, Go Opportunities

- ✓ **Gather next Sunday** in worship as we explore the story of Paul.
- ✓ **Grow in faith** with one of our **Lenten Book Studies** on The Third Day. You can still join! Also, our monthly **Lunch 'n' Learn** is March 17. The topic is "Welcoming Immigrants." There is a signup sheet at the Information Center.
- ✓ **Go serve** with our **Easter Egg-Stravaganza Team** (March 24). A signup sheet is available at the Information Center. Talk to LuAnn Berkhof, our Director of Children's Ministries.

Prayer for the Week

God of Transformation, take these shattered pieces of my heart and make me whole again. Amen.

Grow Through Bible Study

1. Read the Scripture. What words or phrases stand out to you?
2. Read the Scripture again. Anything new stand out? If possible, discuss the Scripture with someone else or use a study Bible to go deeper. Some are available in the Leopard Library.
 - Day One – Luke 24:13-35 (CEB)
 - Day Two – Psalm 139:7-12 (CEB)
 - Day Three – 2 Corinthians 4:13-18 (CEB)
 - Day Four – Psalm 62 (CEB)
 - Day Five – Luke 10:25-37 (CEB)

Spiritual Practice — Re-connecting with Creation

Living in a city can disconnect us from God's creation, even in South Dakota, where nature is all around us. Take time this week to be outside. It may be for ten minutes, or it could be for hours. Being in creation helps reconnect us with the God who creates all that is. While doing, perhaps think on these questions:

(1) What sounds and sights do you notice?

(2) Where is God at work in the creation today?

1. If possible, try to go outside of the city to a state park or other nature area. Parks in the city and the bike trails throughout town are also good options. Spend some time walking or biking.
2. If leaving the city or going to a park is not possible for you, perhaps you can sit on a deck or patio at your home. Spend some time letting the fresh air wash over your body.
3. If going outside is not possible for you, perhaps look up some videos on the Internet of landscapes throughout the world. There are many videos that capture God's creation quite beautifully and maybe someone can assist you in reconnecting with nature in this way.

