



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF VISTA  
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*United Methodist Church of Vista*

We are called to be an authentic, accessible and inclusive community  
in Christ, celebrating and extending God's love into the world.

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**In-house and Live-stream Worship**

**March 10, 2024  
10:00 a.m.  
4th Sunday in Lent**

**Gathering**

**Gathering Music**

**Adagio Cantabile**

Music: Ludvig Van Beethoven  
Adam Ferrara

**Pastoral Welcome** with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

**Opening Prayer** with Dakota Koenig, Certified Lay Minister

Holy Spirit, this church opens wide its doors and bids you welcome. In this time of worship, may we find solace for our sadness, hope for the brokenness of the world and the courage to continue on this mandering journey of faith. Amen.

**Song of Welcome**

**Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise** UMH 103, Vs. 1-4

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith

Music: Welsh melody from John Roberts's *Canaidau y Cyssegr*, 1839  
Adam Ferrara

**\*Children's Time** (and released to Sunday School)

**Sharing the Word**

**Scripture** with Paula Amaro

**[John 11:38-44](#)** (NRSV)

**Message**

**Unbinding Lazarus**

Rev. Dr. Denyse Barnes



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**Song of the Word**

**Here I Am, Lord** UMH 593, Vs. 1-3

Words and Music: Dan Schutte

Praise Band

**Pastoral Prayer with Lord's Prayer** with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

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.

**Response to the Word**

**Special Music**

**One Thing Remains**

Words and Music: Brian Johnson, Jeremy Riddle, Christa Black Gifford

Praise Band

**\*Call to Offering and Discipline** with Melissa Giard

**Invitation and Dedication: Prayer**

God of unwavering love, you have held nothing back in your love for us, not even your Son. How we marvel at that kind of love, and how we long to reflect a portion of that devotion back to you. As we dedicate our offerings to you, lead us away from our tendency to hold back and worry that there will not be enough. Help us to live as the people of love and abundance you have called us to be. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

**Commissioned into the World**

**Song of Sending**

**Lord, I Lift Your Name on High**

Words and Music: Rick Founds, 1989

Praise Band

**Benediction** with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

**Postlude**

Praise Band

**Pastors:** Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw, Associate Pastor of Music and Visitation, Rev. Frank Hallock and Dakota Koenig, Certified Lay Minister



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### Announcements

**This morning, we welcome guest preacher, Rev. Dr. Denyse Barnes.**

The **Call to Offering and Discipline** highlights our response to God's sacrificial grace through our commitment to personal discipleship and financial support. Each week during Lent we will reflect on our commitments to our faith and personal relationship with God through prayer, alms giving, repentance and reflection. Our local congregation and United Methodist connection live our faith in many ways by supporting the ministries in our building and into the world. Your giving starts here and is multiplied by God. Thank you for your commitment and care.

**Giving thanks for your Support and Contributions:** You are essential to all we do for Vista and beyond. Please consider making a financial contribution to the ongoing work of this faith community. Your monetary gifts can be dropped in the offering box, put through the secure mail slot near the office or use your credit card at the Scrip table. Thank you!

**Youth Happenings...** Youth Group today from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. See John Giard with any questions.

**Acolyte Training, today** - Acolyte training is an opportunity for third to fifth graders to be part of the worship service. They would be serving on the first and fourth Sundays. Youth will serve on the second and third Sundays. Training will be immediately following today's worship service. For more information, please contact Margene Haase.

**Game night on Saturday, March 16 at 6:00 p.m.** in the upper social hall. Bring a new game or a snack if you like. See Loretta Pierce if you have any questions.

And Two Fishes along with Hospitality are planning an **Easter Pancake Breakfast fundraiser** for our church budget. The breakfast is from 7:30 to 10:00 a.m. on March 31 in the upper social hall. *Tickets on sale in the Narthex.* Volunteers are needed. Please contact Brenda Walker, 760.505.1702.

**Easter egg hunt, March 31** - The Discipleship/Education Committee is sponsoring the egg hunt following the 10 a.m. Easter worship service. Kids, bring your Easter baskets! Family event with crafts and snow cones. **Donations of candies and plastic eggs** can be brought to the church office or dropped in the donation box in the Narthex on Sundays. For more information, contact Margene Haase.



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