



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF VISTA
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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 17, 2024
10:00 a.m.
5th Sunday in Lent**

Gathering

Gathering Music

Praise Band

Pastoral Welcome with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

Opening Prayer with Dakota Koenig, Certified Lay Minister

Gracious God, the journey is long and the cross is heavy. We come today to this place of worship tired—tired of responsibility, tired of turning the other cheek, tired of returning good for evil and tired of serving you unnoticed. We wish someone else could bear our burdens for us. We long for an oasis in our wilderness. In the quietness of these moments, help us to turn our eyes upon you. Amen.

Song of Welcome

Your Grace Is Enough

Words & Music: Matt Maher

Praise Band

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

Sharing the Word

Scripture with Sara Baldwin

[Jeremiah 31:31-34 and John 12:20-33](#) (NRSV)

Message

Whoever Serves

Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw



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Special Music

Wondrous

Music: USA Folk Hymn
Arr. for Handbells, Frank Hallock
Anderson Handbell Choir

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

Song of the Word

Take My Life, and Let It Be UMH 399, Vs. 1-3
Words: Frances R. Havergal
Music: Louis J.F. Hérold
Adam Ferrara

***Call to Offering and Discipline with Rev. Frank Hallock**

Invitation and Dedication: Prayer

God of the ages, we share our tithes and offerings this day, but we acknowledge that most of the time, we are clinging tightly to what we have, afraid we might lose something we need and afraid somehow there won't be enough to live our lives. The scarcity mindset overtakes us, and it robs us of the joy of our days. Remind us that Jesus has called us to be ready to let go of this life so that we might claim the abundance of life eternal. In our Redeemer's name, we pray. Amen.

Commissioned into the World

Song of Sending

My Life is In You, Lord
Words and Music: Daniel Gardner
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

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.

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, 760.726.0442.

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.

ONLINE Worship the Sunday after Easter, April 7, 2024 at 10 a.m. Celebrate the Resurrection! Rest, Renew, Reconnect on the Sunday after Easter. We will be online for worship only and encourage us all to take time for a service opportunity, visit worship with a Community Partner church or take time with family.



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