Faith United Methodist Church

God's People Gather to Worship at 11:00 am

† CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVELY)

Gather to remember and share stories of faith; rejoice in the goodness of the loving God.

Before our stories began, there was God; through all our days, God walks with us.

Worship the one who gives and sustains life; sing praises to the one who is our refuge

There is no place we can go where God is not; amid life's terrors, God's promises hold true.

Delight in God, whose protection we enjoy; dance with the God, who frees us for new possibilities.

We call out to God, expecting to be heard; we listen, knowing there is truth to be received.

[†] OPENING HYMN 117

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 885

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (IN UNISON)

Sovereign God, we confess our desire to reshape your world to our own advantage. We are more concerned with what we eat than with who will get to eat today. Our own security is more important to us than the health and safety of all your children. The first fruits of our labor grace the altars of our own desires instead of honoring you. We prefer that you keep your distance from us unless we need you. We like promises without commands, gifts without responsibilities. O God, we confess that our ways don't work. Turn us around for true worship and service, as forgiven and forgiving people. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

All who call on God will know salvation. Those who cling to God will be delivered. How great is the joy of people who are loved, forgiven, and set free to become a new creation, through Christ Jesus. God's gifts are for you. Receive them in trust, knowing that God's presence and protection are yours to enjoy every day.

Psalter	Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16	Page 810, UMH
† New Testament Reading	Luke 4: 1-13	Page 727, pew Bible
Offering/Offertory	Isaiah 55:6-7	
Prayer of Dedication		

† HYMN 356 I Love to Tell the Story

Rev. Edgar A. Brady **SERMON** Wilderness Experiences

It Is Well with My Soul † HYMN OF CELEBRATION 377

PRAYER

Fear not! Goodness and mercy are ready to follow you when you make † SENDING

your way out of the sanctuary and into the world.

† HYMN 666 Shalom to You

First Sunday in Lent

March 10, 2019

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† GREETINGS

† OPENING SONGS OF PRAISE

PENNIES FROM HEAVEN

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

† Songs of Praise

† NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 4: 1-13 Page 727, pew Bible

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PRAYER

† SENDING FORTH

You are invited to the communion rail during this time for prayers of healing, intercession for others, strength and comfort, confession, salvation, or any other need. The Pastor and prayer team will meet you there.

† Please stand if you are able.

ood morning and welcome to Faith United Methodist Church. Our hope is that you will feel God's presence through friendly faces, meaningful worship, and opportunities to serve God's people. We are blessed by your presence and our doors are always open to you. Please complete a visitor card found in the back of the pew in front of you and give it to an usher. We have a gift for you that we feel will have an impact on your life! We hope you feel at WYCH home and invite you to worship with us again.