

March 23, 2025
9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
3rd Sunday in Lent



Welcome! We're glad that you're here. Please use the time before worship to prepare your heart and mind for being in the presence of God. The musical prelude is offered as a time of spiritual preparation

*Please let us know you are here,
especially if you are new to worship with us!
Simply open your camera on your smart phone and
aim it at the code below. Thank you!.*



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ENTRANCE

Prelude & Processional

9:00 Music performed by Celeste Choir

11:00 "Aria" by Nelson (Karen Weirman)

Welcome & Announcements

This is the day the Lord has made!
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Passing of the Peace

Opening Prayer

Almighty and everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, you created us for yourself, so that our hearts are restless until they find rest in you. Grant to us such piety of heart and strength of purpose that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will. In your light may we see life clearly and in your service find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Opening Hymn "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" #474

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

A Time Mostly For Children

Anthem 9:00 Music performed by Celeste Choir

11:00 Music performed by Youth Choir

Moment of Silence and Prayer of the People

Lord's Prayer

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.

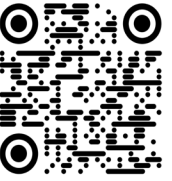
Scripture Reading Ephesians 4:25-32

Sermon "7DS: Wrath" Rev. Mark J. Meyers

THANKSGIVING

Moment of Gratitude and Generosity

Want to give electronically? Please scan the code to give now! Thank you!



Offertory 9:00 "Aria" by Nelson (Karen Weirman)

11:00 Music performed by Youth Choir

Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #95

Prayer of Dedication

Today, O God, we have turned to you in search of direction, attempting to open our eyes to your purpose, our ears to your Word, and our hearts to your presence. As we offer these gifts to you, we pray that you would deepen the practice of our faith and broaden the perspective of your love for all of humanity. And this we humbly pray in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

Closing Hymn "It Is Well with My Soul" #377

Benediction

Recessional "Amen"

Postlude "Triumphal March" by Stickles (Karen Weirman)

*The flowers on the altar have been placed by:
Peggy Stark, in memory of Fletcher and Patricia Binion*

****Communion will be available in the Chapel immediately following the service for those who wish to participate.**

Church Happenings

Please enjoy coffee hour in Fellowship Hall between services. Thank you Sarah Circle for hosting today!

UMCOR Sunday is TODAY Monetary gifts given on UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) Sunday play a vital role in enhancing the church's global humanitarian response because these funds cover UMCOR's administrative costs. 100% of any other gifts to UMCOR goes directly to those projects. *Please make checks payable to UMCNL.*

Easter Tulips and Lilies Orders are being taken for Easter tulips (\$16) and lilies (\$21). Final order date is April 6, 2025. Flowers can be taken home after 11:00 service on Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025. Order forms can be found on the Welcome Center or online.

Intro to United Methodism This 4-week study is open to our entire church and is designed as an interactive way to learn much about United Methodism. This class is also offered to those who desire to join the membership of The United Methodist Church of New Lenox. We will cover a little of our history, doctrine, theology, and membership vows. There is no cost to participate, simply contact Pastor Wesley (wesley@umcnl.com) so that we have enough materials for everyone. This Study will be held on Sunday afternoons beginning at 2:30 p.m. on March 23, March 30, April 6, and April 13. Those desiring to join the membership of UMCNL will be received during the service of their choice on Easter Sunday.

Chapel Bible Study resumes Monday, April 14 at 7 p.m. for a 6-week study of the disciple Simon Peter, using the book Simon Peter, Flawed but Faithful Disciple by Adam Hamilton. Please join us for discussion of this inspiring book! Contact Marilyn Gallagher at (815) 485-3015 for more information.

Contemporary Worship Service We are proud to offer a much more relaxed experience of worship each Sunday evening at 5:00 p.m. Join us!

Sunday Email If you are not receiving a Sunday morning email for Wesley and wish to be added, please contact Pastor Wesley at wesley@umcnl.com. You'll receive an email each Sunday at 7:30 a.m. with the most current information related to happenings at UMCNL.

Get Involved

Egg Hunt Volunteers Come and volunteer for the Easter Egg Hunt! Helpers are needed the morning of the hunt, April 12, as well as filling Easter eggs in early April. Small, individually wrapped candy donations are appreciated. We fill over 4,500 eggs! A candy donation basket and volunteer sign-up sheets is in the narthex.

Nursery Volunteers. Thank you to the wonderful volunteers helping with the nursery this year. We are covered through Mother's Day when we will take a break for two weeks before the summer outdoor services. If you are interested in volunteering to be part of the nursery team for 2025-2026, which takes one Sunday a month, don't hesitate to contact Linda Haring at lharing15@gmail.com. Volunteers work in teams of 2, and at least one must be over 21.

UMM Fellowship Breakfast will be Saturday April 5 at 8:00 a.m. at Pepper Mill Family Restaurant, located at 19137 Wolf Road in Mokena. This will give a chance for our men to relax after the events in March. Please join us!

Men's Study Group meets every Saturday at 7:00 a.m. in the lower level conference room and is led by Scott Creech. All men invited!

GriefShare A new year is a time for new beginnings. Our GriefShare team will be meeting on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. and will be using the updated videos and workbooks. All are welcome and you may call the church office for more details. (815) 485-8271

Greeters Needed We are looking for greeters on Sundays! Please contact Joyce Korista at (815) 485-6879 if you can help!

Welcome Center Volunteers are needed on Sundays! If you are interested and/or have any questions, please contact Amanda Fox at amandaseverson1281@gmail.com

The Comfort Makers sewing group will meet March 27 at 9:00 a.m.. They make comforters, backpacks and other items to be used throughout the world. You don't even have to know how to sew to join in the fellowship of this wonderful group of ladies. You can cut fabric or iron if sewing is not your forte. For more information, please contact Judy McCune at jmcsews@sbcglobal.net

Friendship Group Our next Friendship Group Luncheon will be April 18 at Aurelio's in Frankfort. The Sponsors are Greg & Pam Bump and Joyce Enos. All are invited 55+ to see you there. Sign up sheet is in the Narthex next to the name tags.

Youth Updates

Easter Egg Hunt Mark your calendars! The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, April 12 at 10 a.m. (Note this is the Saturday before Palm Sunday.) All children--toddlers through fifth grade--are invited to participate. The community is welcome. Bring your family and friends! We will meet in the sanctuary before the hunt. In case of rain, the hunt will be held inside the church. Everyone is welcome!

Youth Group Join us! UMCNL will host a weekly youth program for 7-12 grade students every Wednesday from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. We would love for you to join us! Keep in touch via email and text by texting JOINUYM to 84576 or connect online with us at unitedmethodistchurchofn.flocknote.com

JOY Camp 2025 will be held June 22-28 at beautiful Camp Reynoldswood in Dixon, Illinois. JOY camp is a week long overnight camp focused on delivering the message of God's love through fun, fellowship, nature, scripture, and worship. Incoming 5th graders - high school seniors are welcome to attend regardless of where they are in their faith journey. Registration will open around the end of March. The UMCNL offers partial scholarships to our youth who attend. If you have questions about scholarships and what JOY camp is all about, contact Linda Haring at lharing15@gmail.com or go to the website at joycamp.org

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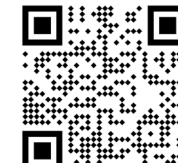
Would you like to connect with one of our Pastors? Please see the contact information below or you can scan one of the codes below using your smartphone to directly set an appointment. If you have a prayer request, please scan the prayer request code.

Pastor Mark: Call/text: 815-587-3795; mark@umcnl.com
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Prayer Requests



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