**Week of March 23 – March 30, 2025**

**Opportunities for Worship, Service, Study, and Fellowship:**

 **Today:** Worship Sanctuary 10: 45 am Lenten Soup Luncheon after Worship

**Monday:** Christian Support Group Fellowship Hall 6:00 pm

**Tuesday:**

**Wednesday:** WSAA Fellowship Hall 7:00 pm

**Thursday:**

**Friday:**  Pillars of Faith Garden Room 6 – 9 pm

**Saturday:** Laural and Hardy Movie night Fellowship Hall 5:00 pm

**Sunday:** Worship 10:45 am

 Lenten Soup Luncheon after Worship

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Third Sunday in Lent

**Gathering God’s People**

Music for Gathering John Lansdale

Welcome and Announcements Beth Bozeman

**\*Opening Sentences**

Everyone: Thirsty, our hearts crave living water. Hungry, our souls ache to be satisfied. Weary, our minds are tired by thoughts that do not come from God. Thirsty, hungry, and weary, let us worship the God of love.

**\***Song of Praise:*Rise Up, O Church of God #433*

Call to Confession: Leader

**Prayer of Confession**

Everyone: Almighty God, though you lovingly tend us, we have not put forth the good fruits of your Spirit. Our consumption poisons the earth. Our violence threatens our neighbors. Our greed exploits the poor. We must seem a waste of time, but don’t give up on us yet, O God. In your power to abundantly pardon, forgive us for the sake of Christ, and imbue us with love, peace, goodness, and faithfulness.

**Declaration of Forgiveness**

Leader: From generation to generation, God’s love overcomes human sinfulness. God is committed to fresh starts and new creations. This is good news!

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

**Passing of the Peace**

Leader: May the Peace of Our Risen Christ be with you!

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us great each other with the peace of Christ.

 (It is our custom to greet one another with the peace of Christ)

Song of Adoration (please stand and sing):

**\*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

\*Song of Worship: *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy #486*

Pastoral prayer and Lord’s Prayer Rev. Samuel Bennett

**Proclaiming the Word of God**

Scripture: Philippians 3: 13 - 14

Message:  *“Happy, Happy, Happy”* Rev. Samuel Bennett

**Responding to God’s Grace**

Offering of our gifts and pledges

Offertory Music John Lansdale

\*Doxology (Owens Arrangement) #814

Prayer of Dedication Rev. Samuel Bennett

**\*Sending**

\*Song of Believers:  Oh Happy Day! #498

 Benediction Rev. Samuel Bennett

Congregational Response  *Make Me a Servant #669*

 \*Please stand for these parts of the service if you are able.