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March 26, 2023 10:30am

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Prelude "You'll Never Walk Alone"

By: Oscar Hammerstein II and Richard Rodgers

Welcome & Announcements

*Greeting

*Opening Hymn "Lord of the Dance" UMH No. 261

*Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus had confidence in life after death. That confidence can be ours.

People: The grief felt at Lazarus' death was overcome by the reassurance of

Jesus.

Leader: He said, "I am the resurrection and the life."

People: In raising Lazarus, Jesus demonstrated that death is not beyond the hope found in resurrection.

Leader: We are strengthened in our faith by the mighty acts of Jesus.

People: We are given courage and confidence by the power of God to

overcome our worst fears. Amen

*Morning Prayer

Healing and Empowering God, we are sometimes so sure that things will not work out, we doubt even your ability to put things right in our lives. We lack such faith. But Jesus came to show us that our most dreaded enemy--death--can be overcome by faith. Heal our doubts and our longings for assurance and give us spirits of trust and hope. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

Song of Praise Solo By: Dave Piehl

Children's Time "Jesus Raises Lazarus From The Dead" Pastor Jane At the conclusion of Children's Time all children age 4 through 5th grades are invited to go with the teachers for Sunday School.

Prayers of the People
Sharing our Joys & Concerns

Silent Prayer Pastoral Prayer 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

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!

Prayer for Illumination

All: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Scripture Reading Dave Piehl

Ezekiel 37:1-14 p. 798 Romans 8:5-11 p. 1043 John 11:1-14, 32-45 p. 990

Message "Blessed Are Those That Mourn" Pastor Jane Piehl

Moment of Reflection

Offering "It Is No Secret (What God Can Do)"

*Doxology UMH No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all Creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offertory Prayer

*Closing Hymn "Oh, I Know the Lord's Laid His Hands on Me" TFWS No. 2139

*Benediction

*Postlude "I Believe"

By: Ervin Drake, Irvin Graham, Jimmy Shirl and Al Stillman

*Indicates congregation to stand

Millie Fran	Music Director						
Upcoming Events							
Tues	10a	Co-Op School Group					
	7 p	Lent Study					
	·	Easter Week Service Schedule					
April 2	10:30a	Palm Sunday					
April 6	7 p	Holy Thursday Service					
April 7	7 p	Good Friday Service					
April 9	7a	Sunrise Service at Greenleaf Park					
-	9a	Easter Breakfast					
	10:30a	Easter Service					
		<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>					

-Granger UMC will be hosting a "Stations of the Cross" Exhibit. The exhibit will be open to the public the following dates:

March 28—11 a.m.- 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.- 8 p.m.

March 29---11 a.m.-2 p.m. and 6 p.m.- 8 p.m.

March 30—11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Pastor Jane Piehl

April 2---10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Granger United Methodist Church is located at 1235 Granger Road in Granger Township, Medina County, Ohio.

- -Easter Breakfast donation Sign Up is posted. Please join us and let us know if you can bring something to share.
- -The Lent Study, Jesus: Understanding His Death & Resurrection continues until April 11th. It is a study of Mark 14-16. This six-week study is by Kay Arthur & David Arthur.
- -Help us decorate the church for Easter Sunday. Easter Flower order forms are available. Order forms are due by April 2.

Welcome to Sharon Center United Methodist Church!

If you are visiting with us for the first time, we are glad you are here! We welcome all to our Worship Service and our Communion Table is open to everyone. Please join us in our activities and gatherings and if you have a question, just ask, and come back again soon! At Sharon Center UMC we are committed to building relationships with Jesus Christ. For families of all ages, this is a great community to join as you grow in your relationship with God and with others.

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