

March 16, 2025 Second Sunday in Lent Welcome! We are happy you are here today.
The order of worship is found in this bulletin.
\*Indicates congregation stands, if able.

PRELUDE Judy Schetler

**GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**Pastor Temaris** 

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (read responsively)

**Pastor Temaris** 

Dear Lord, this is the day the Lord has made. Help us rejoice and be glad in it. Lord, teach us, teach me to be generous; teach us to serve you as you should be served, to give and not count the cost, to work for you and not ask for reward, save that of knowing that we are doing your will and following your way. **Amen.** 

~ -ascensionpress.com (adapted)

\*HYMN Cry of My Heart TFWS 2165

OPENING PRAYER (pray responsively)

Pastor Helen Rainier

Come away with me to a quiet place, apart from the world with its frantic pace, to pray, reflect, and seek God's grace. Come away with me. Come away. Come away with me to a quiet place, to God's loving arms waiting to embrace all those who come in hope of grace.

Come away with me. Come away. Amen.

~Come Away with Me, FWS (2202)

HYMN God of Grace and God of Glory (vs. 1, 2, & 4) UMH 577

CHILDREN'S SERMON Pastor Helen Rainier

NOISY COINS Youth

### WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (pray together)

Julia Sourwine

Open wide the window of our spirits, O Lord, and fill us full of light; open wide the door of our hearts, that we may receive and entertain thee with all our powers of adoration and love. Amen.

~Book of Worship

PSALTER	Psalm 27 (led by Barbara Miller)	UMH 758-759
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Mark 14:3-9	Pastor Helen Rainier
ANTHEM	Make Me Humble, Lord (Price & Besig)	Sanctuary Choir
THE MESSAGE	Sacrificial Worship	Pastor Temaris
HYMN	Grace Greater than Our Sin	UMH 365
WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS TO GOD		
PRAYERS of the PEOPLE (pray responsively)		Pastor Helen Rainier
Sometimes, Lord, you want us to be like Mary. You desire our extravagance and our acts of service to you.  Help us to serve you more completely.  Let us examine our actions and determine where we might be more dedicated to you in our own lives.  Help us to be willing to do all we can for you, Lord.  Loving you, Lord, is never in vain. We should always be ready and willing to do whatever we can for you.  Help me to give my best to you, Lord.  Help us, O God, to be aware of the many gifts you have given to us.  Help me to surrender to your will and strive to live a life true to you. Amen.  ~davidlose.com (adapted)		
For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.		
We pray for	hear our prayer Amen	
Lord, in your mercy, <b>hear our prayer. Amen.</b>		
THE LORD'S PRAYER		UMH 895
WE OFFER OUR GIFTS TO GOD		
INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP		Pastor Temaris
HYMN	Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus	UMH 349

**UMH 95** 

\*DOXOLOGY

Heavenly Father, thank you that you can satisfy our every desire and need. Your word says that we should give honor to you with the first fruits of our wealth. Accept our tithes and offerings as a gift of worship to you. Multiply what we give for the effective growth of your kingdom. May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith so that we, being rooted and grounded in love, may have the strength to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge. May we be filled with all the fullness of God. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

~connectusfund.org/10-best-prayers-for-tithes-and-offerings

### WE SCATTER TO SERVE CHRIST IN THE WORLD

\*HYMN

### Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

**UMH 514** 

\*WORDS OF BLESSINGS (pray responsively)

**Pastor Temaris** 

Dear Father, as we leave this place of worship, prepare us to not only find sanctuary in you, but to be a sanctuary for you....pure and holy, tried and true. Prepare us, with thanksgiving, to be a living sanctuary for You. In your true and sacred name we pray.

Amen.

-adapted from Sanctuary, TFWS

**CLOSING CHORUS** 

### O How He Loves You and Me

**TFWS 2108** 

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# **Bulletin Dedication**

The bulletin today is dedicated in loving memory of my mother, Louisa Boulton, whose birthday anniversary is March 15th, given by Doris Waitz.



Please remember our families and friends in prayer

Evelyn Kraft, Shirley Woolman, Carolyn Shinn, Tony Hoffman, Linda Hoffman, Kristen Godfrey, Bobbie Kroh, John Venditti, Rosemarie Serlenga, Bryon Wright

Requests for inclusion on the prayer list, removal from the list, or to have a name remain on the list longer than two weeks can be emailed to:

office@broadstumc.org or placed in the offering plate.

Please continue to pray for those on the prayer list in previous weeks.

Check out the church website (www.broadstumc.org) for more information on upcoming activities.

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Buy gift cards to use at your grocery stores and favorite restaurants, and the church makes money for general expenses.

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# SAGING Reflections with Pastor Temaris.

5 - Day Devotional Week of March 16, 2025

**Devotional Summary**: As we enter the solemn season of Lent, our thoughts often turn to the themes of sacrifice and surrender. The story of the woman who anointed Jesus in Mark 14:3-9 offers a profound example of sacrificial worship. Her act of pouring expensive perfume on Jesus was not only a preparation for His burial but also a demonstration of deep devotion and love. Through this devotional, let us explore what it truly means to offer ourselves to God in worship that costs us something.

### Day 1: Extravagant Worship

Scripture: Mark 14:3

**Reflection:** Consider the woman's action of breaking the alabaster jar—a symbol of her total commitment. There was no turning back, no saving some for later. Her worship was all-encompassing and extravagant.

**Prayer:** Lord, help me to understand the beauty of complete surrender in worship. Teach me to offer You my best without reservation.

**Action Step**: Identify something valuable to you that you can offer up to God today, symbolizing your total commitment to Him.

### Day 2: Facing Criticism with Grace

Scripture: Mark 14:4-5

**Reflection**: The woman's act of worship was met with harsh criticism, yet she continued, focused on her love for Jesus. Reflect on how you can maintain your commitment to God even when others don't understand or appreciate your sacrifices.

**Prayer:** Father, grant me the strength to stay true to my acts of devotion, despite misunderstanding or criticism from others.

**Action Step:** When you face criticism or misunderstanding today, respond with grace and maintain your focus on your commitment to God.

### Day 3: The Purpose of Sacrifice

Scripture: Mark 14:6-7

Reflection: Jesus defends the woman, highlighting the timely and beautiful nature of her act.

Consider the specific purpose of your sacrifices—how are they serving God's greater plan?

Prayer: Lord, help me discern the purpose behind my sacrifices. May they honor You and further

Your kingdom.

Action Step: Reflect on the intentionality of your sacrifices. Are they timely? Do they serve a

purpose in God's plan?

### Day 4: Remembering Jesus' Sacrifice

Scripture: Mark 14:8

Reflection: The woman's act was not only sacrificial but prophetic, pointing to Jesus' imminent

death. As we prepare for Easter, let us remember the ultimate sacrifice Jesus made for us.

**Prayer:** Jesus, I am humbled by Your sacrifice for me. Help me to live in a way that continually

honors what You have done.

Action Step: Spend some time today in quiet reflection on the cross and what it means in your life.

### Day 5: A Memorial to Her

Scripture: Mark 14:9

**Reflection**: Jesus promises that the woman's act of worship will be remembered wherever the gospel

is preached, underscoring the lasting impact of our worship when it is offered in true devotion.

**Prayer:** Lord, may my acts of worship and sacrifice leave a lasting impact that glorifies You.

Action Step: Consider how you can leave a legacy of worship and devotion that continues to speak

even when you are not present.

### <u>Reflection</u>

# **CALENDAR**

Planning ahead... mark your calendars

Sunday School for Children & Adults - 9:45 AM

Sunday Worship - 11:00 AM (September - mid-June)

Thursdays - 6 PM
Praise Band Practice in Lucas Hall

Thursdays - 7 PM
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal in Lucas Hall

Sunday, April 13, 2025 - 11 AM

Easter Cantata presnted by the Sanctuary Choir

Maundy Thursday, April 17, 2025 - 7 PM "The 12 Other Disciples"

Good Friday, April 18, 2025 - 8 AM
Good Friday Women's Breakfast in Lucas Hall

Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025 - 7 AM
Sunrise Service at Burlington Waterfront followed
by breakfast in Lucas Hall.

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