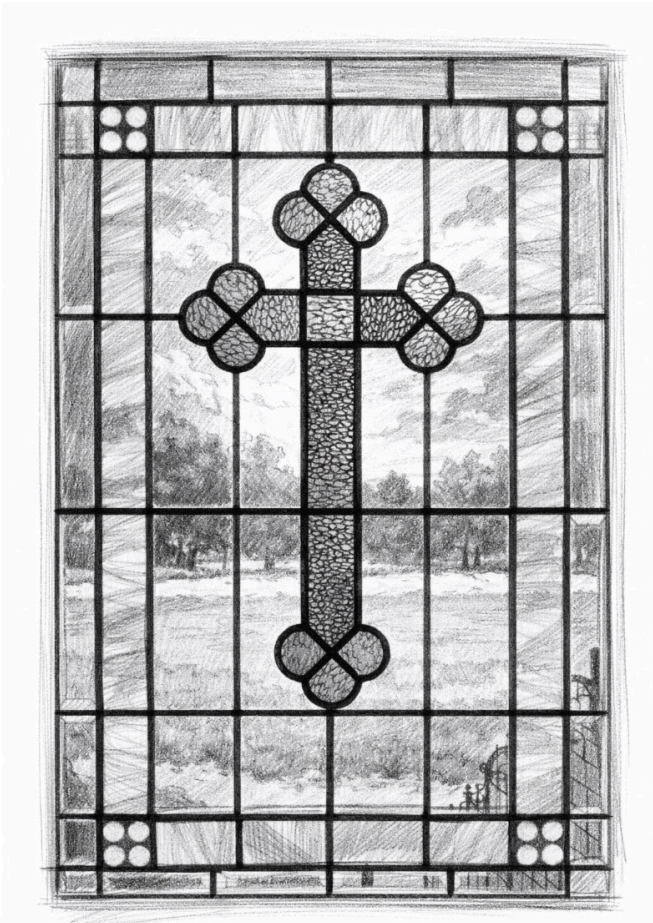


# Lawrence Chapel United Methodist Church

March 8, 2026



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*Lawrence Chapel UMC practices the love and teachings of Jesus*

Prelude *Like a River Glorious* arr. by Marilyn Ham

Bringing Forth the Light

Making a Difference (Welcome and Announcements) Rev. Justin Ritter

\*Call to Worship *Sanctuary* TFWS 2164

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\*Hymn *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* 400

Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we often come to you thirsty, yet we keep looking for water in the wrong places. We fill our lives with noise and distractions instead of making room for you. We draw from wells that cannot give us lasting peace, and we forget to trust you as the true source of life. Forgive us when we ignore our need for you, when we fail to love others with compassion, and when we turn away from your grace. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and help us to desire the living water that only you can give. Amen.**

*Silent Prayers*

Hear the good news. God knows our thirst even before we speak it aloud. In Jesus Christ, God meets us where we are, offers us forgiveness, and fills us with grace that never runs dry. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Prayer for God's People

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, they 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.**

Time and Prayer for Young Disciples Deanna Phifer

\*Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada 883

*Glori Patri		70
Anthem	<i>Come Flood This Heart of Mine</i>	The Chancel Choir
Scripture Reading	John 4:5-15	94
Sermon	Living Water	Rev. Justin Ritter
Invitation to the Offering		Jeff Hall
Offertory	<i>Faith is Patience in the Night</i>	arr. by John D. Horman
*Doxology		95
*Offertory Prayer		Jeff Hall
*Hymn	<i>Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah</i>	127
*Benediction		
*Postlude	<i>Jesus, Name Above All Names</i>	arr. by Naida Hearn

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*If you are worshipping at LCUMC for the first time, we welcome you in the name of Christ! Please fill out a visitor card in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate so that Pastor Justin can send you a note.*

*Wherever you are on your spiritual journey in Christ, you are welcome at LCUMC. You do not have to join in order to participate in worship, many areas of serving, and small groups. However, becoming a member of this body of Christ is an excellent way for you to fully live out your Christian commitment and deepen your faith. If you would like to become an official member of this community, Pastor Justin would love to have a conversation with you!*

*To reach a larger ministry audience, our service is live streamed on Facebook and YouTube and recorded for posting on our website. Typically, the last 5 pews in the church are never "on camera"(near the street entrance).*

### Prayer Concerns

Marie Karns(Geehreng), Kelly(Sandra and Lou), Sam(Glenns),  
Brenda Hammond(Connie Curtis), Drew Meyers, Gunther Nocht(Kris Ellenburg),  
Jim Brackett(Donna Glenn), Betty Ambrose, Rev. Bruce and Ann Sayre, Barbara Ochoa, Braelyn Hollensbe,  
Joann Holmes(Walter Hadden), Jean Thomas, Pat and Skip Fenton, Bob and Josie Geehreng,  
Rick Brezeale(Stanley Morgan), David and Betsy McJunkin, Cherie Pressley(Sandra and Lou),  
Zack, Morgan and Cameron Martin, Jimmy Goodnight, Tommy McCall(Wesley Ramey),  
Nancy and Ralph Porter, Chris Hooper (Stanley), Lesa Hendrick, Robyn Daffron(Anne Lee),  
Becky and Eddie Hammond and family, Connie Curtis, Vera Crane(Heather Beam), Ray Smith(Cindy Arnold),  
Andrea Hyde(Laura Linder), Anita Richardson, Maggie(Davisons), Gwen Hummel.

*Those interested in joining others for lunch today, please meet at the bottom of the front steps after the service.*

### ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Counter: Diane Singleton

Greeters: Linda Middleton

Children's Church: Suzi Harmon and Sharon Match

Offertory Reader: Jeff Hall

Acolytes: Lynn Kelley

#### **Meeting Reminders:**

- 3/9 10:00am Coffee with Justin meets in the fellowship hall.
- 3/11 12:00pm Senior Lunch bring several of your favorite dishes to share.  
1:00pm Hooks and Needles meets in the library.  
5:30pm Children/youth - dinner is provided.
- 3/12 10:00am The Chosen meets in the library.
- 3/15 11:30am Outreach Greeting Cards on sale in the library.
- 3/16 10:00am Coffee with Justin meets in the fellowship hall.  
6:00pm Leadership Council Meeting.
- 3/18 12:00pm Hooks and Needles meets in the library.  
5:30pm Children/youth - dinner is provided.
- 3/21 9:00am Church Wide Workday
- 3/25 11:30am Two or More Lunch at Nellie Ruth's Southern Kitchen.
- 3/29 11:30am 5th Sunday Meal

**A Prayer and Devotion Room has been created in Billy's classroom during the season of Lent. Come and spend time with God during office hours (9:30am-1pm Monday - Thursday). The devotion will change weekly.**

YTD Income/Expense Summary, January 2026	Expenses Paid YTD	Giving YTD	Variance Expenses to Giving
Budget YTD			
\$22,248.00	\$20,294.13	\$28,738.63	\$8,444.50

Year to Date 2026 General Fund gifts, tithes and offerings (YTD January 2026). Your financial contributions to Lawrence Chapel are tremendous, exceeded only by the commitment of your time, talents, and other resources as you engage in and support the ministries, outreach, and services of Lawrence Chapel UMC. You make so many things possible in service to Jesus Christ. God bless you.

Website: [lawrencechapel.church](http://lawrencechapel.church) Email: [lawrence.chapel90@gmail.com](mailto:lawrence.chapel90@gmail.com)

**Nursery and Restroom facilities are in the Education Building across from the sanctuary.**

Church WiFi ID - LCMGuest Password - PeaceBeWithYou!

# Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 400

1. Come, thou Fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my heart to  
 2. Here I raise mine Eb - e - ne - zer; hith - er by thy  
 3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con -

sing thy grace; streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,  
 help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good plea - sure,  
 strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a fet - ter,

call for songs of loud - est praise. Teach me some me - lo - dious  
 safe - ly to ar - rive at home. Je - sus sought me when a  
 bind my wan - dering heart to thee. Prone to wan - der, Lord, I

son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! I'm  
 stran - ger, wan - dering from the fold of God; he, to res - cue  
 feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O

fixed up - on it, mount of thy re - deem - ing love.  
 me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
 take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

AFFIRMATIONS OF FAITH

883 A STATEMENT OF FAITH OF THE UNITED CHURCH  
OF CANADA

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

to celebrate God's presence,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

# Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 127

1. Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this  
 2. O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing  
 3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y; hold me with thy  
 stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me all my  
 fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me safe on

power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en, feed me  
 jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer, be thou  
 Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es, I will

till I want no more; (want no more) feed me till I want no more.  
 still my strength and shield; (strength and shield) be thou still my strength and shield.  
 ev - er give to thee; (give to thee) I will ev - er give to thee.

WORDS: William Williams, 1745; trans. from the Welsh by Peter Williams and  
 the author, 1771  
 MUSIC: John Hughes, 1907

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## ***Easter Lilies***

Complete and return to church office.

If you would like to order an Easter Lily to be placed in the church for Easter Sunday, please fill out the form below. These can be placed in memory of or in honor of someone. **Each** lily will be \$10.00. Please make your check out to LCUMC and mark **For Easter Lily**. You can put your order form and money in the collection plate or turn in to the church office.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

IN HONOR OF \_\_\_\_\_

IN MEMORY OF \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF PLANTS \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE FOR ORDERING IS SUNDAY MARCH 15th!**



March 11 at noon.

# Seniors Lunch

Bring a dish or two to share.

## **THE CHOSEN      SEASON 5**

**This study is open to everyone.**

***All sessions at 10:00am on Thursday - in the church Library. We will not go over 90 minutes.***

Lesson 7 - Video - The Upper Room Part 1.    **MARCH 12**

Lesson 8 - Video - The Upper Room Part 2.    **MARCH 26**

April 3 - GOOD FRIDAY

April 5 - EASTER SUNDAY

### **STUDY GUIDES:**

**Will be provided the day of the study.**