



# FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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March 15, 2026

10:30 a.m.

## GATHERING

*(Please use this time to prepare reflectively for worship.)*

### RINGING OF THE BELL

Bo Morton and Lindley Ramsey

### WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Stewart Smith

### PRELUDE

*An die Hoffmubg (To Hope)*  
Music by Ludwig Van Beethoven (1770.1827)

Xiao McCollum, organ

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Amanda McDonald

Leader: Loving God, be with us this Sabbath day, as we continue our Lenten journey.

**People: As we hear Your Word and sing praises in song.**

Leader: May we celebrate and give thanks for God's wondrous mercies.

**People: As we share in fellowship and focus in prayer.**

Leader: May we grow in discipleship and come to know the hope and promise,

**People: Of the cross of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Leader: Prepare us now for this time of worship,

**Unison: Let us worship the living and loving God!**

### \*HYMN #634

*To God Be the Glory*

Glory to God

Words by Fanny J. Crosby; Music by William H. Doane

**To God be the glory; great things he has done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.**

[Refrain] **Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!**

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!**

**O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory great things he has done.**

**Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,**

**and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;**

**but purer and higher and greater will be  
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. [Refrain]**

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(seated, unison)*

Itrel Monroe

**Wise and compassionate God, You have given us Your light and truth to guide us through confusion,  
yet we have relied on our own wisdom and lost our way. You offer to share our burdens and give us  
Your strength, yet we trust in our own efforts and find ourselves exhausted.**

**Bring us back into Your presence, O God; overcome our separation from one another and from You.  
By Your Word and Spirit, fill us with the gifts that equip us to deal with life's demands, that we may  
be Your people in the world and live in the confidence and joy and peace of Jesus Christ ...  
*(Silent Confession) ... Amen.***

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

**\*RESPONSE #469**

*Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*  
Words and Music by Ken Medema

Glory to God

**Lord, listen to your children praying.  
Lord, send your Spirit in this place.  
Lord, listen to your children praying.  
Send us love; send us power; send us grace.**

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you!  
**And also, with you.**

**TIME FOR CHILDREN**

Stewart Smith

**CHILDREN'S SONG #2233**

*Where Children Belong*  
Words and Music by James Richie

Sing the Faith

**This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng.  
Water, God's word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: this is where children belong.**

**ANTHEM**

*At the Name of Jesus*  
Words and Music by Cindy Berry

Chancel Choir  
SungKun Jung, piano

Jesus, though he was God did not cling to his rights as God, but laid aside his mighty power, his mighty power and glory. Taking the form of a servant and becoming like men. He humbled himself; he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on the cross.

At the name of Jesus, at the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow in heaven and on earth. [repeat]

That every knee shall bow, and every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord! [repeat]

At the name of Jesus! At the name of Jesus!

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**GOSPEL LESSON**

*Luke 22:39-42*

<sup>39</sup> Jesus came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him.

<sup>40</sup> When he reached the place, he said to them, 'Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.'

<sup>41</sup> Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, <sup>42</sup> 'Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.'

**EPISTLE LESSON**

*Philippians 2:1-11*

<sup>1</sup>If, then, there is any comfort in Christ, any consolation from love, any partnership in the Spirit, any tender affection and sympathy, <sup>2</sup>make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. <sup>3</sup>Do nothing from selfish ambition or empty conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. <sup>4</sup>Let each of you look not to your own interests but to the interests of others. <sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, <sup>8</sup>he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**SERMON**

*Yield – Imitating the Master Yielder*

Rev. Stewart Smith

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

#### OFFERTORY

*My Jesus, As Thou Wilt*  
Music by Carl Maria von Webber; Arranged by Kay Mediation

SungKun Jung, piano

#### PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God, in your grace.  
You hear our prayers.

Kristi Button

#### THE 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

#### LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Stewart Smith

#### COMMISSIONING FOR HONDURAS MISSION TRIP (See Insert)

#### \*HYMN #765

*May the God of Hope Go With Us*  
Words by Alvin Shutmaat; Music by Argentine Folk Melody

Glory to God

**May the God of hope go with us every day,  
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.  
May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.  
Praying, let us work for peace;  
singing share our joy with all;  
working for a world that's new,  
faithful when we hear Christ's call.**

#### \*BENEDICTION

Rev. Stewart Smith

#### PARTICIPANTS

**Interim Senior Pastor** – Rev. Stewart Smith

**Minister of Music/Commissioned Ruling Elder** – Isaac Thomas

**Director of Christian Education** – Kristi Button

**Director of Youth and Young Adults Ministries** – Amanda McDonald

**Audio/Visual Team** – Christopher Verdery, Connor Button, and Drew Parker

**Choral Interns** – Amelia Booker, Cole Jackson, Jeffrey Kerst, Verna Labitad, Aiden Thompson

**Worship Band** – Nina Andrews (drums), Rob Button (guitar), Dennis Brewer (guitar), Jeffrey Kerst (bass)

**Organist** – Xiao McCollum

**Pianist/Choral Accompanist** – SungKun Jung

**Membership Coordinator** – Amy McCann

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