

**Easter Dedications**  
Lilies or tulips may be purchased for \$12 each, or donations can be made toward the Backpack Ministry or the Roof Fund. They can be dedicated in honor or memory of whomever you choose. Please see the bulletin insert. Orders are due **today** (or Monday at the latest).



**Easter Candy Donations Needed for our Easter Egg Hunt & Fun Day**  
Please bring your candy donations by Wed, Mar 25 & place them in the box on the lower shelf below the quilts. We need volunteers to help stuff eggs on Thurs, Mar 26, during office hours. Please let Robin or Pastor Mary know if you are able to help. Thank you!

**Everyone Invited!  
Easter Egg Hunt & Fun Day  
Palm Sunday, Mar 29  
after worship!  
(Next Sunday)  
Please come join us.  
Meet in the  
Fellowship Hall**



**Name Tags**—Pastor Mary has encouraged everyone wearing their name tags on Sundays for the sake of new members and visitors. I have made new name tags and they are all on the board and alphabetized to enable locating them easily. If anyone is still missing a name tag, please inform me. -Robin

**Two Lent Bible Studies Going on Now**

“These Words of Mine” with Jim Tongue on Sunday mornings after worship in the Fellowship Class—2nd floor. We are studying the teachings of Jesus from the Gospel of Matthew.

“An Unlikely Lent: Extraordinary People of the Easter Story,” led by Pastor Mary meets Tuesdays at 10:30 in the library. Everyone is welcome to attend either or both studies.



**Kits for Conference**  
This year UMCOR will be collecting 3 kinds of kits: Hygiene Kits, Cleaning Buckets, and Feminine Hygiene Kits. There are

lists on the reading cart of items needed for these kits. The last day to donate any items will be May 24. Any questions? Ask Kathi Hemmis. Thank you for helping with this important mission.

**Happy St. Patrick's Day from the Wing Fellowship!**



The Wing Fellowship made over 200 cards for the Bridgewater Retirement Community healthcare residents! I thank all my students and adults from the group for this effort! Special thanks to Bonnie Snook and Gloria Hildebrand for the donation of supplies. Thank you to Laura Powell for seeing they were delivered! Hope everyone had a Happy St. Patrick's Day! Rhonda Johnson



**Youth Group Announcements**



**Teen Outing: Lunch & Escape Room**

Special thanks to all our volunteers and students that came to join us this Sunday. We had a great time at Cookout, and discussed what Pastor's Mary sermon could teach us when we feel confused, worried, or scared. We also were able to complete the Shot Caller Escape room with the help of Sydney, Reese, David, and Kingston, with Tim and Joan helping out. Thanks again to all who supported me! Jomo



**Don't forget! Every Sunday  
Zoom Prayer @ 6:45 PM, & Youth Check in @ 7 PM  
Blessings, Jomo (240) 328-5847 [dumbumyouth@gmail.com](mailto:dumbumyouth@gmail.com)**



Join us for Children's Church every Sunday! Children's Church is worship & activities for kids during part of the worship service. It is led by our amazing leaders Gracen, Rea, & Malachi. Children may attend worship through the Children's Message & then go to Children's Church on the first floor with our leaders. ~OR~ Children are always welcome to stay in the sanctuary with their family.

Contact Gracen at [gracenkelly123@gmail.com](mailto:gracenkelly123@gmail.com) or phone (call, text) 804-867-6143

**We welcome prayer requests**

Please share your prayer request with us on the Prayer Request Card found in your pew. Place the card in the offering plate.

**Prayer Chain**

If you would like to be one of our prayer chain partners, please contact the church office at 540-828-0890.

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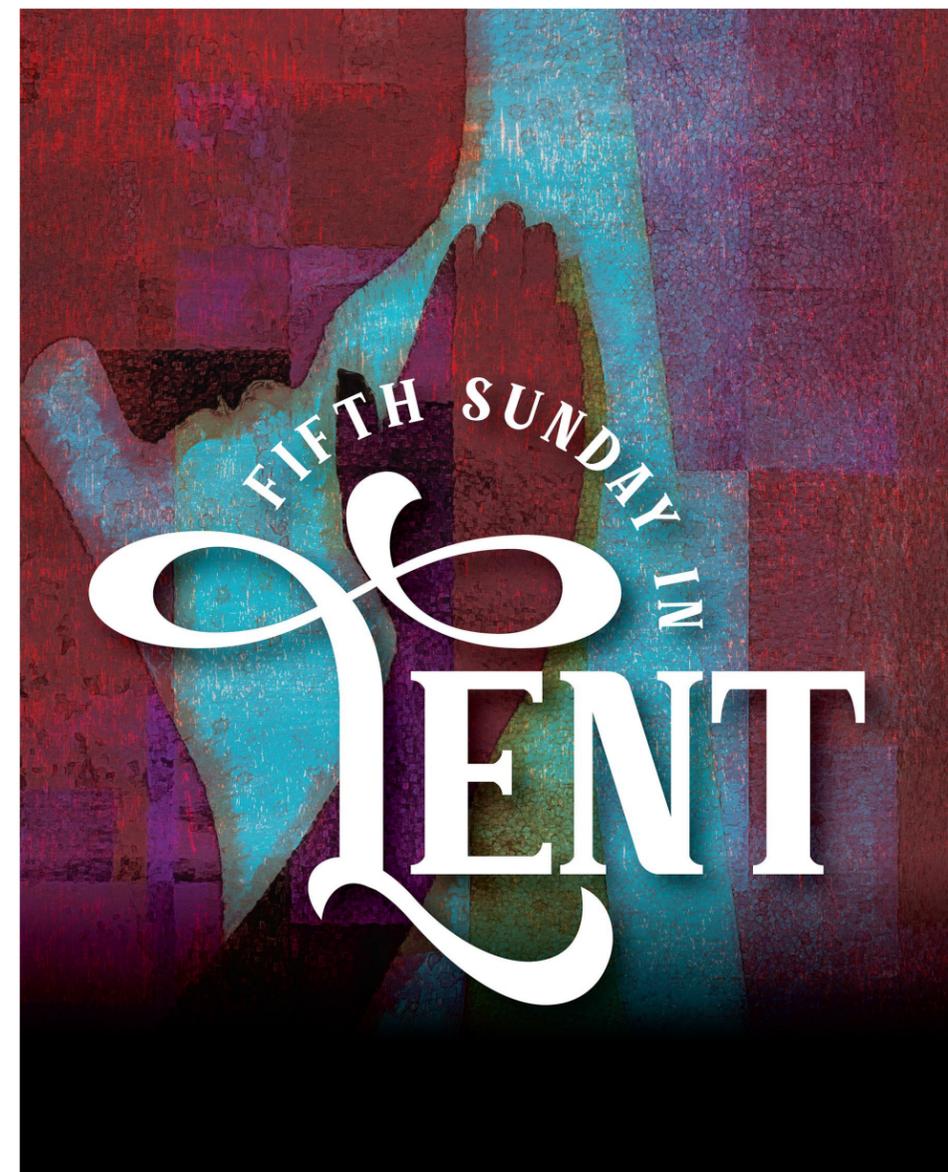
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Welcome to  
**Bridgewater**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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**March 22, 2026**



Greetings from the congregation of Bridgewater UMC! We are certainly blessed to have you worship with us. We pray that you will feel welcomed and loved. Do you need assistance today? Please speak with any of our worship leaders or ushers. If you have questions during the week about the church, please call Pastor Mary Dadisman at 540-828-0890.

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 22, 2026

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (Red)

TFWS = The Faith We Sing (Black)

W&S = Worship & Song (Green)

\* = Please stand in body or spirit

## Ringing the Bell

## Announcements

## Prelude

"Morning Has Broken"

Arr. P. W. Wells

## Call to Worship

## \*Opening Hymn

"Lord, Be Glorified"

TFWS 2150

## Opening Prayer

## Children's Message

## Anthem

"Is There Room for a Sinner?"

P. Choplin

## Scripture Reading

John 11: 1-45

## Sermon

"Lazarus, Come Forth!"

Rev. Mary K. Dadisman

## Offertory "Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone"

Arr. L. Line

## \*Doxology

"Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God"

UMH 405

## Prayers of the People

## The Lord's Prayer

## \*Closing Hymn

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

TFWS 2158

## \*Benediction

## Postlude

"How Excellent Is Thy Name"

Arr. M. Hayes



# In Our Prayers

## Joys and Answered Prayers

Tony Mancari is doing well recovering from heart attack  
Edward Stoops is doing well recovering from heart surgery  
Thank you, God, for the love of Jesus, for our church,  
our families, and our friends

We give thanks for God's grace and mercy

## Prayers of Sympathy for the families of

### Betty Coakley

## Current Prayer Concerns

Whitey Davis Mary Ann Glendye  
Beverly Smith Andrew

### Donald and Ginger Usry

## Ongoing Prayer Needs of our Congregation

Dick Boyd	Barbara Kiracofe	Bonnie & Tom Snook
Grace Fishback	Chloe Leach	Sandra Stroud
Betty Foley	Dorothy Lion	Vic Taylor
Henry & Dorice	Ray Michael	Nancy Thomas
Graham	Shirley Creekbaum	Marcia & Gary
Rodney Hildebrand	Kim Miller	Tyeryar
Deidra Hill	Mitzi Puffenbarger	Doris Waters
Judy Hulvey	Joanne Simpkins	

## Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers for...

- Peace in my life, my family, with our neighbors and the world
- For peace in Iran, Mid-East, Ukraine, Gaza, Venezuela, Cuba, and around the world
- For our nation to step back from greed, injustice, fear, hatred
- For our government leaders to act with love
- For wisdom for all our leaders, especially our president,
- For protection for our elected officials, to protect President Trump and his family
- For your will, not our will, to be done
- For those who cannot read
- For those who are struggling with financial problems
- Help us to be servants to each other, our neighbors, & world
- Help us to become better people and Christians and to have more faith
- That our families will become closer to God and for clarity in seeing God's will
- For Bridgewater and other college students - for discipline and for those taking exams
- For safe travels for our families
- For strength, health, & healing for our families, for those who are sick
- For victims of abuse of all kinds
- For comfort for those dealing with illness and loss and those awaiting surgery
- For those dealing with mental illness and addiction and those who care for them
- For families in crisis or struggling with estrangement
- That this day be good and tomorrow better

## Serving Us in Worship

	TODAY, Mar. 22 (4thSun)	NEXT SUNDAY, Mar. 29 (5th Sun)
Greeters	Leach Family	Ruth Peters & Karen Chamblee
Ushers	Dick & Janice Harper	Paul & Johna McFarland
Reader	Joan Kenney	Joey Capuano
Audio-Visual	Sam Briggs	Scott Ridder
Acolytes	Sydney & Reese Leach	Madelyn & Nolan Gilkeson
Sanctuary Servers	Don & Sue Gilkeson	Sue Rexrode
Bus Driver	Dwight Campbell	Dick Harper

## OUR CALENDAR

<b>TODAY</b>	9 AM Sunday School for all ages 9:30 AM 4th Sunday Coffee (Fellowship Hall) 9:30 AM Children's Choir (Choir Room) 10 AM Worship Service 11:15 AM <i>These Words of Mine</i> Bible Study (Fellowship Class—2nd floor) 1:30 PM Worship at White Birch Communities 6:45 PM Prayer for Youth/ 7 PM Youth Check-in
<b>MON</b>	6:30 PM Trustees Meeting (Library)
<b>TUE</b>	10:30 AM <i>An Unlikely Lent</i> Bible Study (Library)
<b>WED</b>	10 AM Prayer Team (Library) 6 PM Handbell Practice (Mt. Solon Commons) 7 PM Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>	9 AM Sunday School for all ages 9:30 AM Children's Choir Practice (Choir Room) 10 AM Worship Service 11:15 AM <i>These Words of Mine</i> Bible Study (Fellowship Class - 2nd floor) 11:30 AM Lunch, Easter Egg Hunt, & Fun Day (Fellowship Hall and Outside) 6:45 PM Prayer for Youth/ 7 PM Youth Check-in

Please send Robin announcements for the Bulletin/Slides/E-Blast by Wednesday to [adminasst@bridgewaterumc.com](mailto:adminasst@bridgewaterumc.com).

## Attendance and Stewardship for last Sunday

Attendance: 91 Sunday School: 41 Total Giving: \$5,885

We welcome you, and as an act of hospitality, we offer several ways for you to participate in giving. Please find the most comfortable way for you.

◆ Offering Plate is passed during Sunday Worship Services

◆ Drop off or mail a check to the church at BUMC, 219 North Main St., Bridgewater VA 22812

◆ Online Giving at BUMC Web Page [www.BridgewaterUMC.com/give](http://www.BridgewaterUMC.com/give)

◆ App for Giving @ Tithely.com  
Download the app, find BUMC, and give!

◆ Secure, locked communication box outside at Green Street entrance in which you can leave papers for the church

