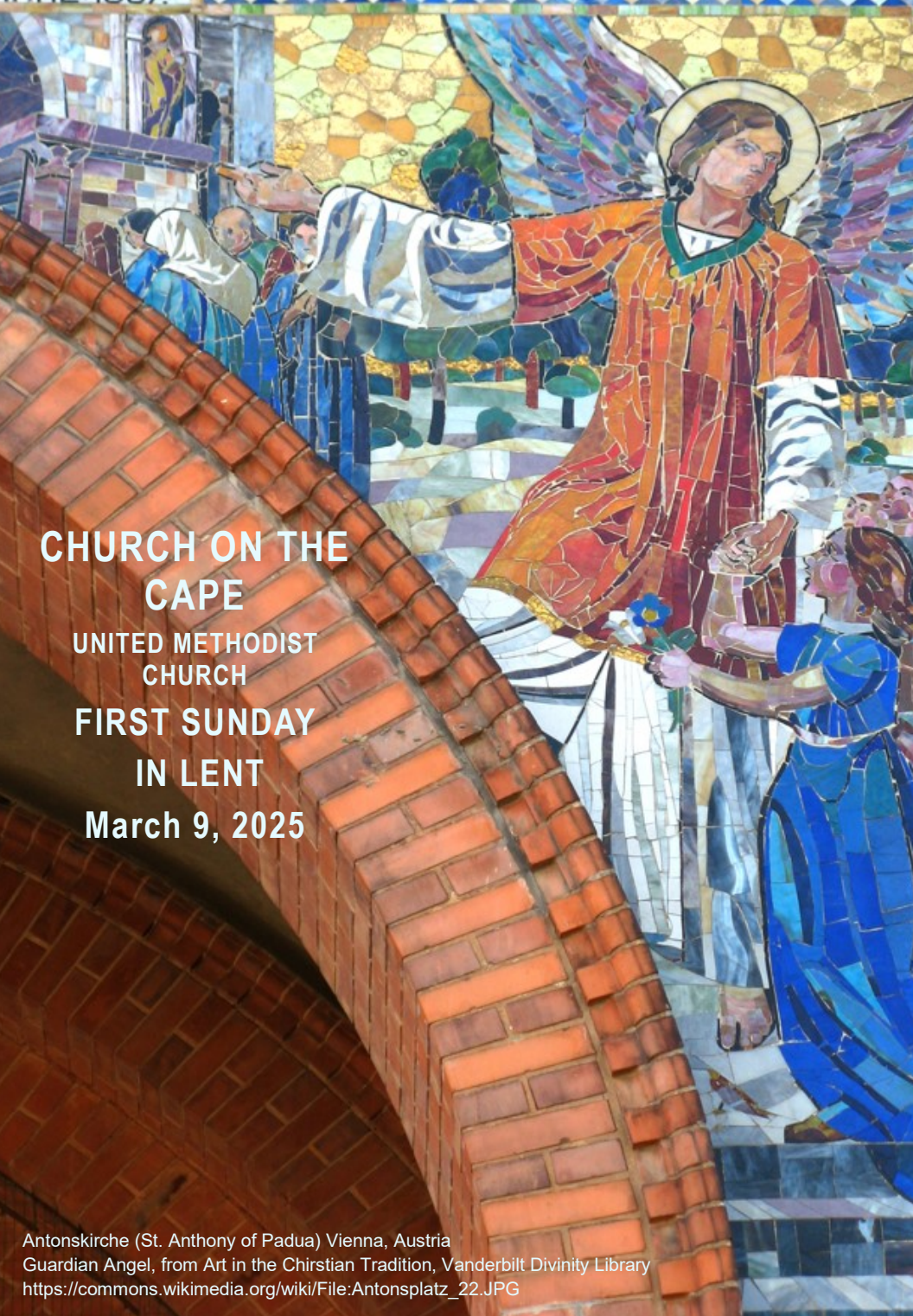


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**CHURCH ON THE
CAPE
UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH
FIRST SUNDAY
IN LENT
March 9, 2025**



Church on the Cape
United Methodist Church
Rev. Greg Smith

HYMN SING

Susie Goodwin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Thank you Mary Parker and Joan Lennon for hosting Coffee Hour this morning. Sign ups are needed!

WE GATHER

PRELUDE

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”
Hans Leo Hassler; Craig Penfield, arr.

SHARING THE PEACE

*CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 91)

Leader: We who live in the shelter of the Most High,

People: who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,

Leader: will say to the LORD,

People: “My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.”

Leader: We have made the LORD our refuge,

People : The Most High our dwelling place.

Leader: God’s angels will watch over you,

People: They will guard us in all our ways.

Leader: On their hands they will bear us up,

People: so that we will not dash our foot against a stone.

Leader: God will deliver those who love God.

People: When we call on the Lord, God will answer;

Leader: God walks by our side in every time of trouble,

People: God will rescue us and bring us to safety.

Leader: May God bless us with long life,

People: and together we will behold God’s salvation!

*HYMN

“Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley”

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UNISON PRAYER

Lord God, you are indeed our refuge and our fortress, the God in whom we trust. We come to you today seeking your strength and your mercy, your protection and your compassion.

Like Jesus, we know that we are tempted by evil. Unlike Jesus, we confess that we often give-in to those temptations. We pray for

your mercy that we may be forgiven for our failings and your strength that we may better follow in the ways of Jesus that lead to goodness and holiness.

Fill our hearts, once again, with such faith that we may always profess Jesus to be our Lord and follow him whole-heartedly for he is the one who lives and reigns, with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Deuteronomy 26:1-11

STORY TIME **“Because of You”**
by B.G. Hennessy, ill. by Hiroe Nakata

SECOND LESSON Romans 10:8b-13

CHOIR ANTHEM **“Hear My Prayer”** COTC CHOIR
Moses Hogan

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 4:1-13

MESSAGE “What does it mean to be Christian: Think-Feel-Follow”

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from a New Zealand Prayer Book*

You, O God, are supreme and holy. You create our world and give us life. Your purpose overarches everything we do. You have always been with us. You are God.

You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond all measure. You Came to us before we came to you. You have revealed and proved your love for us in Jesus Christ, who lived and died and rose again. You are with us now. You are God.

You, O God, are Holy Spirit. You empower us to be your gospel in the world. You reconcile and heal; you overcome death. You are our God. We worship you. Amen.

OFFERING **“Nocturne”**
John Field

**DOXOLOGY* UMH # 95

HYMN* **“Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days” UMH #269

WE GO FORTH

BLESSING

POSTLUDE **“Wondrous Love”**
Joe Utterback

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Lillian Bartlett
Scott Beppler
Alice Bruton
Judy Cadieux
Julie Chase
Sharon Collins
Mary Heather Cookson
Risha Deary
Scott & Karen Dombrowski
Jose Duddy
Henry Dynia
Bob & Sally Ewton
Matthew Gould
Steven Horan
Bethany Hessel
Lesa Kraft Angelos
Emily King

Brett LaCour
Nicholas LaCour
Charity Perry Liutai
Chloe McLaughlin
Charles E. Moss Sr.
Marybeth Munroe
Helen Neff
Rich & Debbie Parsons
Luverne Preble
Nancy Russo
Lettie Samuel
Roberta Sanborn
*Eric Schoener
Lois Small
Sandy St. Jean
Ryan Sullivan
Chuck Wildes

*New to prayer list



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| 1 | Elizabeth Erickson |
| 2 | Sharon Miesel |
| 5 | Sheila Matthews |
| 7 | John Hall |
| 14 | Bob Ewton |
| 18 | Tom Muse |
| 19 | Dan Erickson |
| 20 | Michael Schoener * Sharon Collins |
| 21 | Nonie Freeman |
| 26 | Judy Oppert |
| 27 | Jane Murray * Janet Wade |
| 31 | Helen Farnsworth |

If you would like to add someone to the birthday list, please call the office
207-967-5787.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday March 9	9:45 a.m. Hymn Sing 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour 11:30 a.m. SPRC
Monday March 10	10:00 a.m. Chimes Rehearsal
Tuesday March 11	11:30 a.m. Picnic Lunch (Bring Your Own Food) 2-4 p.m. Cargo Shop Open 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee
Wednesday March 12	8:30 a.m. Evangelism Outreach 10:00 a.m. Knitters 1:00 p.m. Missions Outreach 3:00 p.m. Senior Moments 7:00 p.m. Trustees
Thursday March 13	9:30 a.m. Ministry of Caring 2-4 p.m. Cargo Shop Open 5:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
Saturday March 15	10-12 Cargo Shop Open

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday March 16	9:45 a.m. Hymn Sing 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
Mon. March 17	10:00 a.m. Chimes 7:00 p.m. Church Council
Tuesday March 18	11:30 a.m. Picnic Lunch (Bring Your Own Food) 12:30 p.m. Disciple Bible Study 2-4 p.m. Cargo Shop Open
Wednesday March 19	10:00 a.m. Knitters 12:30 p.m. Education Committee 3:00 p.m. Senior Moments 4:15 p.m. Bon Appetit
Thursday March 20	2-4 p.m. Cargo Shop Open 4:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting 5:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
Saturday March 22	10-12 Cargo Shop Open

PARISH NEWS

DAILY DEVOTIONS FOR LENT

Pastor Greg has prepared daily devotionals for Lent, Monday-Friday. Just click on the link each day. An email will go out weekly with a link to each day's devotion. Please check your inbox, our website, or our Facebook page for updates.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The Education Committee will meet on Wednesday, March 19th at 12:30 p.m.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING RESCHEDULED

Please note the Worship Committee Meeting will meet on Thursday, March 20th, at 4:00 p.m.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVE NEEDED

Last year Bruce Donath was our Lay Member for the Annual Conference meeting. With Bruce's move, we need to find a new person who is willing to go to Annual Conference to represent our church. The dates this year are June 19-21. This is an important job that we need to fill as soon as possible. Please speak to Rev. Smith if you are willing to volunteer or if you want more information.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

If you would like to be a volunteer in a Sunday School program for our children, please speak to Rev. Smith. We would like to provide a program, but it will depend on having willing adult volunteers.

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- COFFEE
- BRAND NAME CEREALS
- HOT CHOCOLATE
- CANNED BEEF STEW
- CHILI
- MAYONNAISE
- MUSTARD
- SALAD DRESSING
- SOUPS (*OTHER THAN CAMPBELL'S TOMATO, CHICKEN WITH RICE, OR VEGETABLE*)
- PAPER GOODS (PAPER TOWELS)

There is a box in the lobby (underneath the table with the name tags) where you can drop off your donations.

Thank you!

**FROM THE CARGO SHOP
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ON TUESDAYS**

The Cargo Shop is need of help on Tuesdays, from 2-4 pm.
Please reach out to Susan Hathorne at
207-985-5665 or skhathorne@aol.com

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SAVE THE DATE

Senior Moments Spring Concert

Wednesday, May 7 at 4:00 p.m.

Please join us for an afternoon of
Musical Merriment..

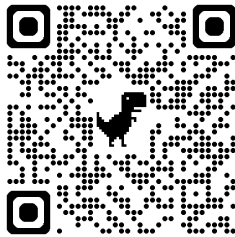
Admission is FREE
Donations Appreciated

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Everyone is welcome at Church on the Cape, UMC, without exception. What matters most to us and what unites us as a vibrant, compassionate community of faith, is the assurance that we are all beloved children of God and of sacred worth to our Creator. Come as you are and join us on our faith journeys as we seek to make followers of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

*Join us from wherever you call home:
If you like what you see here, we post our worship, music, children's messages and sermons online - you can find them via our website : www.churchonthecape.org*



CHURCH ON THE CAPE STAFF

Rev. Greg Smith	Pastor
Paul N. Stephan	Music Director
Ivan Collazo	Custodian
Jen Murray	Office Administrator
Mike Kelly	Streaming Coordinator
Jean Baracco	Head Usher
Adrien Baracco	Assistant Usher