



*Yes, and how many times can a man turn his head
And pretend that he just doesn't see? ~ Bob Dylan*

GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE & LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES Rosie Michael
 WELCOME GREETING Pastor Karen Griswold

ANNOUNCEMENTS Bill Warner

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Jesus calls inviting us in.
PEOPLE: Holy, holy, holy, God, we gather as your children.
 Leader: The Spirit calls, inviting us to listen.
PEOPLE: Holy, holy, holy, Christ, we sit at your feet.
 Leader: The Holy One calls, adopting us as family.
PEOPLE: Holy, holy, holy Spirit, we come to worship.

***HYMN** "Blessed Assurance" #572

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING
 OFFERTORY

***RESPONSE & PRESENTATION OF GIFTS** "Awesome God" 1st 2 lines #179

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SPECIAL MUSIC "Hallelujah" Whitney Etgen

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MOMENT Scott Griswold

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in Unison)

Forgive us, Spirit of truth, when we neglect your wisdom or close our minds to your call.
Forgive us, Spirit of love, when we neglect the needs of the world or harden our hearts to the needs of mercy and compassion.
Forgive us, Spirit of God, when we neglect your guidance or close our spirits to your presence.
Blow where you will, Spirit of freedom, but please blow through our lives. Open our minds. Open our hearts. Open our spirits, that our spirits may blow through your world with love, compassion, justice, and truth. In your Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE Pastor Karen Griswold

PASTORAL PRAYER
 SILENT MEDITATION
 THE LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN** "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" #648

SCRIPTURE John 3:1-17 (NIV) Bill Warner
 TODAY'S MESSAGE "Is the Answer Blowing in the Wind?" Pastor Karen Griswold

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION – all are welcome

***HYMN** "As the Deer" #548

***BLESSING & BENEDICTION**

***CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE** "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" vs 1 #426

POSTLUDE *Please stand if you are able.

CHURCH EVENTS & ANNOUNCETS

The candle on the altar represents our continued prayers for Peace.

- TODAY** Finance Team meeting after Church
- Mar 3** **9:30 am** Tuesday Mornings – prayer and scripture review
- 6:00 pm** Church Board Meeting – all are welcome
- Mar 4** **6:00 pm** Consider This – discussion
- Mar 5** **10:00 am** Missionary Aide meeting & luncheon
- Mar 8** **Daylight Savings time begins – spring forward**
- Mar 9** **6:00 pm** Pastoral Relation Team Meeting
- Mar 14** **6:00 pm** Small Group at Andy Bec Smith's home
- Mar 15** Education Team Meeting after Church
- 5:00 pm** In Unison -Youth event at the Church (grades 3-7)
- Mar 19** Newsletter deadline – please send information to Kathy Etgen

- March Missionary Aide project is children's clothing. Donations of new or gently used clothing, new socks & underwear for all ages - tots to teens will be greatly appreciated and can be placed in the overflow room.
- During the month of March, One Great Hour of Sharing donations will be collected. This offering helps rebuild from disaster, feed the hungry, provide clean water to the thirsty, empower the oppressed, and restore hope. Offering envelopes are in the pew holders.
- Your continued support is appreciated and may be mailed to West Liberty UCC, PO Box 427, West Liberty, OH 43357.

PRAYER REQUESTS and JOYS



Vicki Lingrell Marcus Taylor Rick & Renay Fullerton Tony Grant Jane Saltzman Kim Hoberty
 Joe Buck James Kaelin Kiri Adams Diana Defibaugh Mark Wilson Deb Pattee-Chiles

Our Confirmands Our nursing home residents & shut-ins Our service men & women

Serving Today

Organist: Rosie Michael	Nursery: Judy Legge	Sound: Ray Etgen
Song Leader: Lauren Flora	Youth Message: Scott Griswold	Screens: Ed Armentrout
Ministers: The Entire Congregation	Jr. Church: Scott Griswold	Videotaping: Bec Smith

Serving Next Week (Mar 8, 2026)

Organist: Rosie Michael	Nursery:	Sound: Elisa Lash
Song Leader: Lauren Flora	Youth Message: Penny Higgins	Screens: Kaylee Powell
Ministers: The Entire Congregation	Jr. Church: Julie & Olivia Wilcox	Videotaping: Bec Smith