



## **Worship Bulletin and Herndon UMC News March 17, 2024**

MARCH WORSHIP & FELLOWSHIP DINNER ON WEDNESDAY, 3/20. A short worship service and then breakfast for dinner and fellowship brought to you by the HUMC Preschool Committee and staff.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SERVE AT THE CLOSET ON 3/20 & 4/3. If you have questions, email Bill & Betty Arey, [thecloset@herndonumc.org](mailto:thecloset@herndonumc.org).

NEW DATE! 3/22 FOR THE SPRING OUTDOOR WORKDAY. Come from 2-5pm to help make the church outside beautiful before Easter. Bring your own tools (and wheelbarrows) to help spread mulch around the building.

THE SPRING CHERRY BLOSSOM BRASS BAND CONCERT before Nationals has been moved to Monday, 3/25 at 7pm in Doe Fellowship Hall.

WAY OF THE CROSS 3/27 & 28. The Way of the Cross will be expanded this year to include Wednesday evening 6-8pm and Thursday afternoon 4-6pm. Come to Herndon UMC and follow Jesus' path to the cross in an interactive, self-paced, sensory prayer experience with Holy Communion for all ages!

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP 3/29 at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary and on YouTube will be a Tenebrae service.

ENJOY EASTER FUN, RAIN OR SHINE! Kids (birth to grade 6) are invited to make crafts, play games, and work together in the Easter Egg Hunt. Sign up at [bit.ly/herdonegghunt2024](https://bit.ly/herdonegghunt2024) to reserve a spot in the Hunt! Sign up today.

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EASTER VIGIL is 3/30 at 7:30 p.m. Bring a chair and maybe a blanket, and join us outside in front of Door 2 for this service of storytelling by the fire. EASTER WORSHIP SERVICES will be outside Door 1 for sunrise (6:45am) and 8am, and in the Sanctuary and on YouTube at 10am. Don't forget to bring a flower for the flower cross.

Through Easter respond in the discipline of Almsgiving at <https://bit.ly/almsgiving2024>

HELP MAKE HOLY WEEK HAPPEN! Melissa is looking for readers and greeters, ushers and storytellers, snack providers and flower shoppers, bakers, helping hands in setting up the Sanctuary, and of course musicians. If you would like to help others experience Holy Week, please contact Mellssa at [melissa@herndonumc.org](mailto:melissa@herndonumc.org).

HERNDON PYRAMID ART SHOW. Help Herndon UMC support young artists, our schools, and our community by signing up to greet folks during the weeklong Herndon Pyramid Art Show. Church volunteers help us keep the Art Show open longer for the community to come see all the great art!

CAMP HIGHROAD WORKDAYS, 4/10-13. Adults, age 18 and older, are welcome to help fix up Camp Highroads. No special skill required. For more information, contact Rich Yuras at [vim@herndonumc.org](mailto:vim@herndonumc.org).

SAVE THESE DATES OR SIGN UP NOW:

- 4/27 – National Rebuilding Day. No special skills required.
- 7/7-12 – Vacation Bible School. Volunteer at [bit.ly/LeadVBS24](https://bit.ly/LeadVBS24).

All sign ups (unless otherwise identified) are in the app, at [bit.ly/HerndonUMCNeeds](https://bit.ly/HerndonUMCNeeds), and (on paper) on the Connection Corners. Find the e-News and announcements at [herndonumc.org](https://herndonumc.org) anytime under **News >> Weekly eNews**.

## **Worship—8 AM**

### **Gathering Music**

**Welcome and Announcements** | Melissa Chavez

**Opening Song** | *Sanctuary* | FWS 2164 | led by Melissa Chavez

**Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary,  
Pure and holy, tried and true.  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
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**Opening Prayer** | Melissa Chavez

**Whispering God, who longs for us to hear your voice, and waits in the sheer silence for us to recognize your presence, meet us in this quiet moment. Silent our loud thoughts, and grant us rest. Help us to let go of distractions, and to simply sit here with you. And, when silence unsettles my spirit, let the waves of your peace and presence wash over me. Amen.**

**Special Music and Invitation to Give** | For You, Deep Stillness | By Robin Mann | Lisa Olsen

**Prayer of Offering and Community** | Rev. SeongJae Jo

**Scripture** | Matthew 26:36-46

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them, "My soul is deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me." And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me, yet not what I want but what you want." Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, "So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." Again he went away for the second time and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done." Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Now the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. Look, my betrayer is at hand."

This is the word of God for the people of God.

**[All] Thanks be to God.**

**Message** | Rev. SeongJae Jo

**Closing Song** | *Come and Find the Quiet Center* | FWS 2128 | Led by Melissa Chavez

[Verse 1]

**Come and find the quiet center  
in the crowded life we lead,  
find the room for hope to enter,  
find the frame where we are freed:  
Clear the chaos and the clutter,**

**clear our eyes, that we can see  
all the things that really matter,  
be at peace, and simply be.**

**[Verse 2]**

**Silence is a friend who claims us,  
cools the heat and slows the pace,  
God it is who speaks and names us,  
knows our being, touches base,  
making space within our thinking,  
lifting shades to show the sun,  
raising courage when we're shrinking,  
finding scope for faith begun.**

**[Verse 3]**

**In the Spirit let us travel,  
open to each other's pain,  
let our loves and fears unravel,  
celebrate the space we gain:  
there's a place for deepest dreaming,  
there's a time for heart to care,  
in the Spirit's lively scheming  
there is always room to spare!**

**Invitation to the Practice of Silence |**

## **Worship—10 AM**

**Gathering Music** | *Choral and Andante on The Lord's Prayer* | F. Mendelssohn | Luis Gonzalez

**Welcome and Announcements** | Melissa Chavez

**Call to Worship** | by Kate Bowler | Melissa Chavez

[One] Blessed are we who wait in the silence,  
who remember that darkness is not dark to you,  
who pray, oh God:  
receive me,  
gather me,  
strengthen me,  
sustain me,  
and free me to tell you everything.

[All] **Blessed are we who listen in the quiet,  
for you to breathe life  
into all that is spent and gone,  
filling mind and soul and body with hope,  
and the beauty of your peace that passes all  
understanding,  
gentle as the dawn.**

**Opening Song** | *Open My Eyes That I May See* | UMH 454 | Melissa Chavez  
and Luis Gonzalez

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**Passing of the Peace** | Melissa Chavez

**Special Music** | Melissa Chavez *Sanctuary* | words and music by John Thompson and Randy Scruggs | Arr. Lisa Olsen and Margaret Tobat

**Traveling Music** | *Jesus Loves Me* | UMH 191 | led by Melissa Chavez

[Verse 1]

**Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.**

[Refrain]

**Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

**Children's Message** | Mallory Hopper

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[Verse 3]

**Jesus loves me still today, walking with me on my way,  
wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live.**

[Refrain]

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**Invitation to Giving** | Rev. Scott Bach-Hansen

**Offertory Music** | *Deep River* | American Spiritual | Brian Evans and Luis Gonzalez

**Doxology** | *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* | UMH 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**Offertory Prayer, Pastoral Prayer, and Lord's Prayer** | Rev. Scott Bach-Hansen

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

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**Benediction and Invitation to Silence | Rev. SeongJae Jo**