



Midland First United Methodist Church

Order of Worship for Sunday, March 9, 2025
1st Sunday in Lent

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING TIME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: May the Lord's Name be glorified through all the earth.

Congregation: In our coming and our going, our waking and our laying down to sleep, and everything in between.

Leader: As Paul instructed the Church in Colossae: may whatever we do, in word or deed, be done in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

All: He is worthy of our thanks and praise. Glorify Your Name, oh Lord God, King of the Universe!

*OPENING HYMN

"El Shaddai"

UMH #123

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Following the Children's Blessing, all children are invited to join us for Sunday School in P4. *If your child is joining us for the first time, please accompany them to the classroom.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Lead Me, Lord"

by Samuel Sebastian Wesley
Chancel Choir

MINISTRY MOMENT: ADVOCACY DAY

Rene Johnson

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Please sign the friendship notepads.

SPECIAL MUSIC OFFERING

"Thy Will"

by Herms, Weisband, & Scott

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #95

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

READING OF THE WORD

Matthew 6:9-13 (NLT)

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Hallowed Be Thy Name"

Rev. Jeremy Africa

PASTORAL PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

"His Name is Wonderful" (sing 2x)

UMH #174

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

arr. Charles Callahan

*Please stand if able

Welcome! May your time in worship this morning be meaningful. It is our hope and prayer that you find the presence of God and a spirit of friendship and caring. Please join us for refreshments following worship in the Parlor. If you are visiting for the first time, we would like to share a gift with you.

The Nursery is open during worship for children from birth through the age of 3. Busy bags for preschoolers are available in P4.

Sunday worship services at First UMC are live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube and available afterward for watch-on-demand. They are also broadcast throughout the week on Midland Cable Television (MCTV, channel 188) and on 97.7 and 107.7 fm on Sundays at 11 am.

First Glance

Sun March 9, 2025

10 am Worship Service
11 am Sunday Friendship Lunch
11:15 am Adult Forum
11:15 am Youth Group

Mon March 10, 2025

9 am Card Club
12 pm Nominations Meeting
5 pm Kiwanis

Tue March 11, 2025

10 am Worship/Tech Meeting
11 am Staff Meeting
12 pm S3 Group
6 pm Peer 360
6:30 pm Healing Process Final Report
7 pm Boy Scouts
7 pm Praise Band Rehearsal

Wed March 12, 2025

1 pm Carillon Bells Rehearsal
4 pm The Lord's Prayer Study
4:45 pm Explore! Music Class
5 pm Lenten Dinner
6 pm The Lord's Prayer Study
7 pm Facilities Meeting
8 pm Joyful Bells Rehearsal

Thur March 13, 2025

9 am PEO Meeting
6 pm Peer 360
7 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Fri March 14, 2025

11 am Men's Small Group
7 pm AA Meeting

Sun March 16, 2025

10 am Worship Service
11 am Sunday Friendship Lunch
11:15 am Townhall Meeting
11:15 am Adult Forum
11:15 am Youth Group

Join our Team!

Video Tech: In this part-time, hourly position, help to oversee our internet streaming to fulfill the mission of “helping people know, love, and share Jesus Christ.”

If you are interested in helping grow FUMC’s remote ministries, don’t hesitate to call our office at 989-835-6797 or email Erika at office@fumcmid.org



For more announcements and information, please see our weekly eBlast. If you do not receive it, call the office or email: reception@fumcmid.org



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Strategic Leadership Council (SLC) Town Hall

The next SLC town hall will be Sunday, March 16, from 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

This 90-minute town hall will address:

- The Church’s 2025 General Fund Budget – Chuck Lenk, Church Treasurer
- Significant 2025 Facilities Team Projects – Jon Horton, Facilities Team Leader
- Update Regarding our Congregation Healing Process, Rev. Jeremy Africa

There will be a presentation on each topic with time for Q&A afterward. Everyone in the congregation is invited to participate in these town hall meetings. Childcare will be provided in P4.

This town hall will be available on Zoom during the meeting. You may join the meeting by entering the following Meeting ID and Passcode:

Meeting ID: 921 5924 3630

Passcode: 414351

If you have questions about the upcoming town hall, please reach out to Pastor Jeremy or any SLC member.

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THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE MEANING AND POWER OF THE PRAYER JESUS TAUGHT



“Hallowed Be Thy Name”

Rev. Jeremy Africa

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