

Cross Lanes United Methodist Church

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

Sunday February 22, 2026



**GATHERING**

**Prelude**

Whether you are joining us in person or on-line, know that we are here to journey along with you as you grow in love of God and neighbor, and as a follower of Jesus Christ.

**\*Opening Hymn**

**Heart of Worship**

**Verse 1**

When the music fades all is stripped away  
And I simply come Longing just to bring something that's of worth  
That will bless Your heart

**Pre-Chorus**

I'll bring You more than a song  
For a song in itself is not what You have required  
You search much deeper within  
Through the way things appear  
You're looking into my heart

**Chorus**

I'm coming back to the heart of worship  
And it's all about You all about You Jesus  
I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it  
When it's all about You all about You Jesus

**Verse 2**

King of endless worth no one could express  
How much You deserve  
Though I'm weak and poor all I have is  
Yours Ev'ry single breath

**\*Call to Worship**

*Leader: In this Lenten season, we step into the quiet places where God meets us.*

**People: We come with open hearts, ready to listen.**

*Leader: In the wilderness, Christ shows us the way of trust and surrender.*

**People: We turn toward God, seeking renewal and grace.**

*Leader: As we begin this journey, the Spirit invites us to slow down and be still.*

**People: We find comfort in God's presence and offer our worship.**

**Hymn**

**We Fall Down**

We fall down We lay our crowns  
At the feet of Jesus The greatness of mercy and love  
At the feet of Jesus

And we cry holy holy holy  
And we cry holy holy holy  
And we cry holy holy holy is the Lamb

**Word For Children**

<sup>15</sup> The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup> And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden, <sup>17</sup> but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

**3** Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" <sup>2</sup> The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup> but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.' " <sup>4</sup> But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die, <sup>5</sup> for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God,<sup>[a]</sup> knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup> So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was a delight to the eyes and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked, and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

**Anthem****We Shall Be Free****Joys and Concerns****The Lord's Prayer****Sharing of Tithes and Offerings****Offertory****Doxology****Scripture Lesson****Romans 5: 12-19****NRSV**

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned— <sup>13</sup> for sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. <sup>14</sup> Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who did not sin in the likeness of Adam, who is a pattern of the one who was to come.

<sup>15</sup> But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. <sup>16</sup> And the gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the gift following many trespasses brings justification. <sup>17</sup> If, because of the one man's trespass, death reigned through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

<sup>18</sup> Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. <sup>19</sup> For just as through the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so through the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

**Message "Bread, Death-Defying Leaps and the Kingdom of the World" Rev. Brandon Moll**

**\* Invitational Hymn**

**Seek Ye First**

**Verse 1**

Seek ye first the kingdom of God And His righteousness And all these things Shall be added unto you Allelu alleluia

**Verse 2**

Man shall not live by bread alone But by ev'ry word That proceeds From the mouth of God Allelu alleluia

**Verse 3**

Ask and it shall be given unto you Seek and ye shall find Knock and the door Shall be opened unto you Allelu alleluia

**\* Dismissal with Blessing**

<p><b><u>Scriptures for Study:</u></b>          Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7          Psalm 32          Romans 5:12-19          Matthew 4:1-11</p>	<p><b>This Week at CLUMC:</b>  <b><u>Today February 2/22</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hospitality Comm Mtg after service in Conf Rm</li> <li>• Michael Mills Troop 68, BSA, Court of Honor @ noon</li> <li>• Youth Group, Mid/High School, 7p</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Monday 2/23:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senior Exercise 9am,</li> <li>• Church Council Meeting 6:30p</li> <li>• Nitro Youth BB 6-8</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Tuesday 2/24</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Back Pack Volunteers 10a</li> <li>• Nitro Youth BB 6-8</li> <li>• Choir 7p/Band Practice 7:30p</li> <li>• Lent Bible Study begins see below</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Wednesday 2/25</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senior Exercise 9a, FH</li> <li>• God's Kidz 6p</li> <li>• Nitro Youth BB 6-8</li> <li>• Worship Team Open House 7p</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Thursday 2/26</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public Pickleball 6-8</li> <li>• NA Meeting 7p</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Friday 2/27</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senior Exercise 9a FH</li> </ul>
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