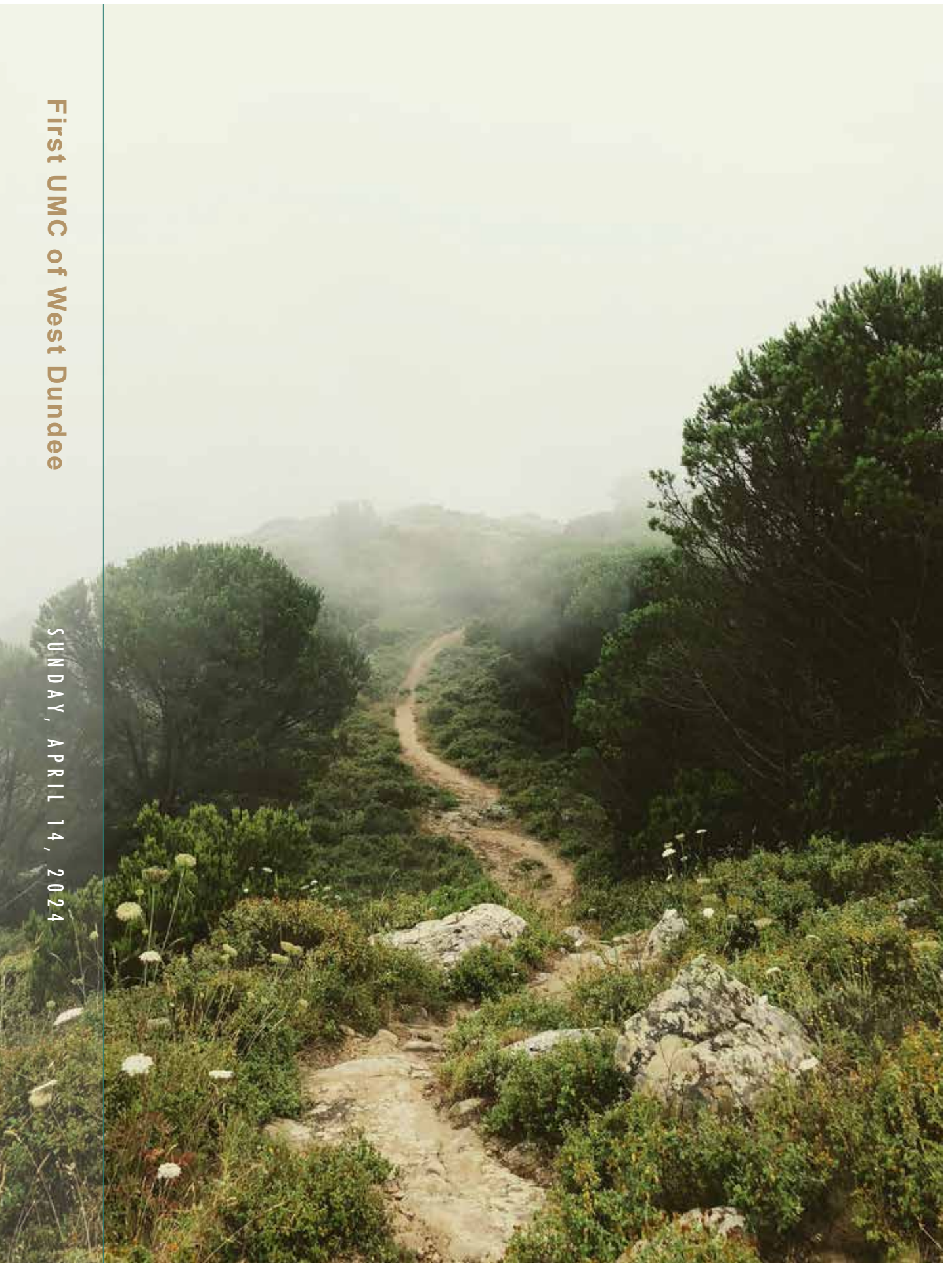


First UMC of West Dundee

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024



WORDS OF WELCOME

Pastor Matthew Johnson, Associate Pastor BUMC

HYMN #568 (UMH)

Christ for the World We Sing
Vocal Ensemble

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| (1) Christ for the world we sing,
the world to Christ we bring,
with loving zeal;
the poor, and them that mourn,
the faint and overborne,
sin-sick and sorrow-worn,
whom Christ doth heal. | (2) Christ for the world we sing,
the world to Christ we bring,
with fervent prayer;
the wayward and the lost,
by restless passions tossed,
redeemed at countless cost,
from dark despair. |
| (3) Christ for the world we sing,
the world to Christ we bring,
with one accord;
with us the work to share,
with us reproach to dare,
with us the cross to bear,
for Christ our Lord. | (4) Christ for the world we sing,
the world to Christ we bring,
with joyful song;
the newborn souls, whose days,
reclaimed from error's ways,
inspired with hope and praise,
to Christ belong. |

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Matthew Johnson, Associate Pastor BUMC

PASTORAL PRAYER

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THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

**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.**

SCRIPTURE

Acts 1: 1-8

Fred Kocian

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ² until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³ After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴ While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; ⁵ for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

SERMON

"True Power"

Pastor Wendy Witt, First UMC West Dundee

HYMN #121 (UMH)

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

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| (1) There's a wideness in God's mercy
like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in God's justice,
which is more than liberty. | (2) There is welcome for the sinner,
and more graces for the good!
There is mercy with the Savior;
there is healing in his blood. |
| (3) For the love of God is broader
than the measure of our mind;
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind. | (4) If our love were but more simple,
we should rest upon God's word;
and our lives would be illumined
by the presence of our Lord. |

INVITATION TO MINISTRY AND BLESSING

Pastor Wendy Witt, First UMC West Dundee

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