

FIRST UMC OF WEST DUNDEE

SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 2025



Welcome!

Rise in body or in spirit where designated by * Please join in speaking the words in bold.

Sunday, March 16, 2025

PRELUDE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?

**One thing I asked of the Lord, that I will seek after: to dwell in the house of the Lord all the
days of my life.**

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;
he will set me high on the rock.

**I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. I will sing and make
music to the Lord.**

from Psalm 27

*HYMN

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

UMH #140

*OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, hear us when we call to you. **Be our light and our salvation. Give us courage to speak
truth to power, to confront evil in all its forms, especially the evil that resides in our own hearts and
minds. Cleanse us and renew us in the name of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

*PASSING THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG

You Are Mine
Verses 1 and 4

TFWS #2218

PASTORAL PRAYER

LESSON

Luke 13:31-35

Pastor Rick Carlson

RESPONSE

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

SPECIAL MUSIC

MESSAGE

"A Fox in the Henhouse"

Pastor Rick Carlson

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God ye creatures here below
Alleluiah! Alleluiah!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit Holy Spirit!
Alleluiah! Alleluiah! Alleluiah!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN

Fairest Lord Jesus

UMH #189

*SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Please join us for a time of sharing in the Fireside Room.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Greeters	Carol Buvel, Mark Lauber, and Sonja Hunter
Liturgist	Mike Buhrmann
Media	Dane Granholm, Laura Suskin
Pastor	Pastor Rick Carlson

For pastoral care, please contact Pastor Rick at 630-564-0413

United Women in Faith (UWF) membership

Our United Women in Faith would like to extend an invitation to all women of FUMC to become a member of the UWF. Our next meeting is Sunday, March 9th, at 8:30 a.m. in the FUMC Fireside Room. We are planning to have monthly meetings on either Sunday mornings or Saturdays. Membership is open to all women; you do not need to be a member to attend our meetings or events. Please contact Jennifer Schaffer at schaffek@sbcglobal.net or 847-287-7185 if you are interested in more information about the UWF or would like to attend our next meeting.

Teen girl mission group

The United Women in Faith would like to organize a group of teen girls to work on local service/mission projects in our community. Teens do not need to be members of the FUMC or attend regularly. Any teen girl would be welcome to join this service group. Please contact Jennifer Schaffer at schaffek@sbcglobal.net or 847-287-7185 if you are interested or know of a teen girl that may be interested in this opportunity.

Game Day

Every other Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room
In March, we will meet on March 5 and March 19
Come and relive the fun! Long-time members may remember the great times we had playing card games, board games, and dominoes. Let's bring those good memories back! Join us for Game Day on Wednesday afternoons in the Fireside Room. There will be snacks and plenty of fun—everyone is welcome!

Special Music

Do you or someone you know have a musical talent to share? We're coordinating music for our worship services and would love for you to be a part of it! Please reach out to Marcia or call/text 331-276-7979.

Adult Education Forum

You're invited to join our weekly Adult Education Forum, where we explore meaningful questions about our faith, values, and beliefs. This is a welcoming space for open dialogue, reflection, and deeper understanding of how our faith shapes our lives. We meet in the library from 8:45 to 9:45 on Sunday mornings prior to worship.



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