

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Holy Week Worship

March 28 | Maundy Thursday | Fellowship Hall  
12 p.m. - Worship | 12:30 p.m. - Lunch

March 29 | Good Friday | Sanctuary  
7 p.m. - Service of Tenebrae

March 31 | Easter | Sanctuary  
10 a.m. - Egg Hunt | 11 a.m. - Celebration Worship  
*\*bring flowers for the flower cross on the front lawn*

### Wellspring Small Groups

Wellspring Wednesdays may have come to a temporary end, but monthly fellowship continues.

Women's Group | Third Tuesday Each Month  
-contact [lisanich@gmail.com](mailto:lisanich@gmail.com) for more info

Men's Group | Second Tuesday Each Month  
-contact [ken.nicholas@gmail.com](mailto:ken.nicholas@gmail.com) for more info

Brew Theology | Second Tuesday Each Month  
-contact [epalmer@ssumc.org](mailto:epalmer@ssumc.org) for more info

### Annual Talent Show

Calling all performers! Our Annual SSUMC Talent Show will be Friday, April 26 from 6-8 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up to be an act by emailing Lisa Nicholas at [lisanich@gmail.com](mailto:lisanich@gmail.com). Ticket sales will begin in March.

## SERVING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Kate Floyd	Senior Pastor
Rev. Dr. Kyle Tau	Deacon
Candace Johnson, M.Div.	Dir. of Family Ministries
Don Jones	Dir. of Music Ministries
Emma Palmer	Dir. of Community Connection
Deaconess Jo (Elna) Sheetz	Liturgist
Courtney Stanley	Soloist
SSUMC Choir	

## GUESTS:

### We are glad to have you worshipping with us!

We invite you to connect with us by filling out a Connect Card in the back of the pew with any information you would like to share. You may drop it in the offering basket or hand it to a Staff/Connect Team member for a special visitor gift. Your presence enriches our community, and we look forward to getting to know you better!

### Ways To Give:

- Offering Plates: Make a check out to the church or prepare your cash offering.
- Online: Give securely at [ssumc.org/give](http://ssumc.org/give), or by scanning the QR code.
- Text to Give: Text [ssumc.org/give](http://ssumc.org/give) to 73256.



### Special Lenten Offering: Rise Against Hunger

On Saturday, April 13, we will once again be hosting a meal-packing event in the Fellowship Hall for Rise Against Hunger, packing thousands of meals to feed people all around the world. We make a volunteer and financial commitment to host this event. This year, our special Lenten offering is going towards providing the food we will pack. Thank you for your generosity this season to help feed those who are hungry. Register to join us and donate at [ssumc.org/serve](http://ssumc.org/serve).

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## “Let Go of Power” Make Room for Love March 24, 2024

Lent is the season when we spend six weeks journeying with Jesus toward the cross, and ultimately toward resurrection. It's the time followers of Jesus seek to let go of all the things that keep us from centering our lives in God. As we do so, we fill up with love, hope, and abundance, so that we are ready for new life on the other side.

Join us this Lent as we work to Let It Go! and make room for God.



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## GATHERING

*The flowers on the altar are given to  
the glory of God*

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING WORDS & MUSIC

*"Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart"*

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come! From the City Streets.

**Join the happy throng that  
gathers to honor Jesus!**

Come! From your busy homes  
and places of business.

**Put down your work in joyful celebration!**

Come! Lay down your sorrows and worries,

**Turn your eyes toward the  
Savior whom God has sent!**

Let all join in joyful song.

**Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is Jesus Christ, who  
comes in God's name. Amen.**

### \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*"All Glory Laud and Honor"*

*–United Methodist Hymnal (UMH) #280*

## LISTENING

### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*We invite children ages 4-10 to meet our volunteers  
in the narthex before going to room 211 for  
Children's Church. Children will return to the  
Sanctuary for Communion*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.**

### \*HYMN OF PREPARATION

*"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" –UMH #278*

### \*SCRIPTURE

Listen for the word of God:

**Our Ears are Open!**

*Mark 14:22-42*

This is the Word of God for the People of God:

**Thanks be to God!**

### SERMON

## RESPONDING

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

*(Apostles Creed, UMH #881)*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of  
heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only son  
our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born  
of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose  
from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth  
at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from  
thence he shall come to judge the quick and the  
dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic  
church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness  
of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life  
everlasting. Amen.**

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

*Ways to give are listed on the back of this worship  
guide. Thank you for your generosity!*

### OFFERTORY MUSIC

*"I Choose Love" – Mark Miller*

*In the midst of pain, I choose love.*

*In the midst of pain, sorrow falling down like rain,  
I await the sun again, I choose love.*

*In the midst of war, I choose peace.*

*In the midst of war, hate and anger keeping score,  
I will seek the good once more, I choose peace.*

*When my world falls down, I will rise.*

*When my world falls down, explanations can't be  
found,*

*I will climb to holy ground, I will rise.*

*In the midst of pain, I choose love.*

*In the midst of pain, sorrow falling down like rain,  
I await the sun again, I choose love.*

### \*DOXOLOGY:

**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.**

### \*HOLY COMMUNION

*(See Insert from The Faith We Sing #2257)*

## DEPARTING TO SERVE

### \*BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE