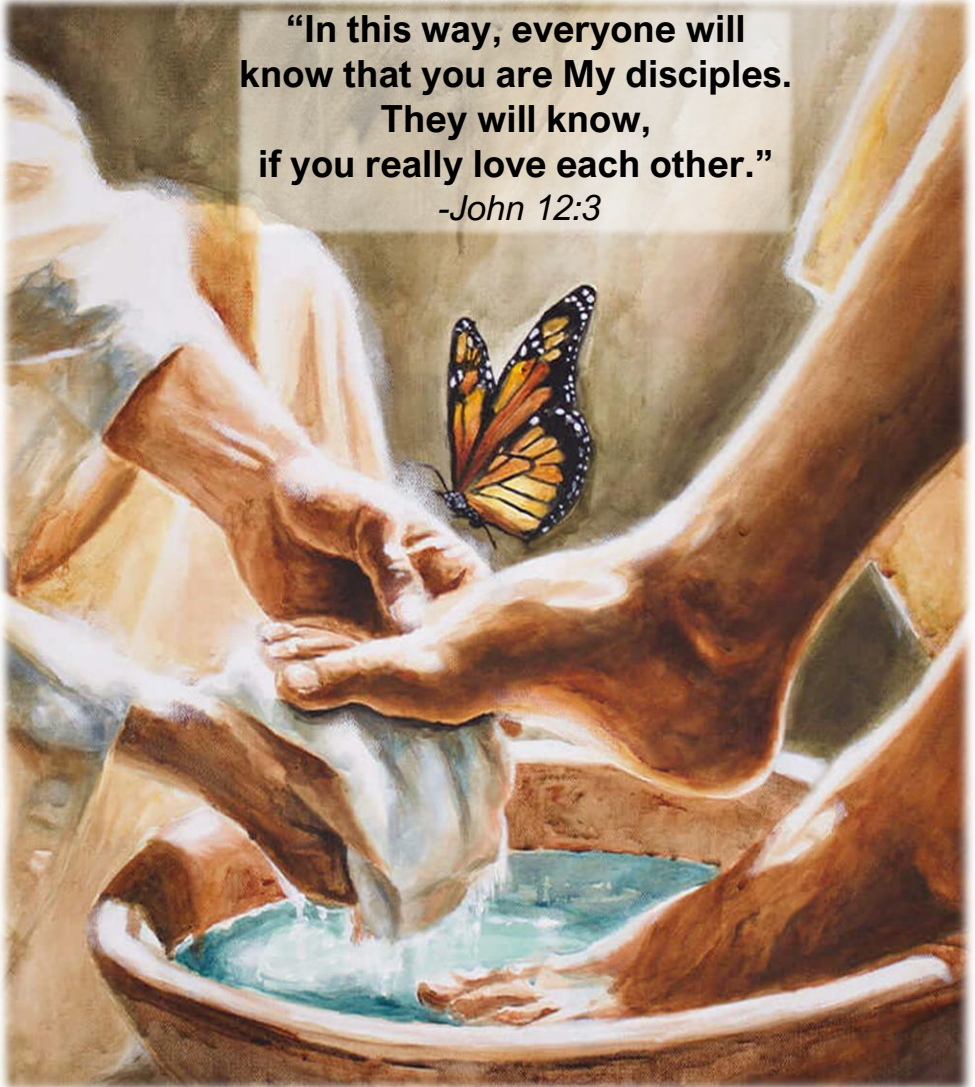


# Fifth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026

**“In this way, everyone will  
know that you are My disciples.  
They will know,  
if you really love each other.”**

*-John 12:3*



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"The difference between Jesus and religiosity: One shames people for having dirty feet, the Other kneels down to wash them." – *Anonymous*

"It's hard to throw stones if you're busy washing feet; keep loving people like Christ."  
– *Luke Lezon*

"I have set for you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you:  
Love one another." – *John 13:15, 34*

*Please silence your mobile devices. Thank you!*

L – Liturgist / M – Minister / **P – People** / † - words are on the TVs / \* – stand in body or spirit

UMH – *The United Methodist Hymnal*      TFWS – *The Faith We Sing*

🎵 - sheet music for the song is available separately

(1) *The Body of Christ gathers to worship God!*

CHORUS (TFWS 2179):      *Live in Charity*

WORDS OF WELCOME

FOUNDATIONAL STATEMENTS

†\*HYMN OF PRAISE:      *Love Medley*      TFWS 2020, 2068, 2071

SHARING OF JOYS & GOD-SIGHTINGS



(2) *We listen to what God is saying to us!*

SCRIPTURE      † *Psalm 146 / John 13:1-34*      (*"Behold"*)

MESSAGE:      *Be the Sacrament: Love Poured Out*

(3) *We respond to what God is saying to us!*

†\*HYMN OF RESPONSE:      *Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands*      UMH 273

CANDLE-LIGHTING & A LENTEN CONFESSION

SHARING OF CONCERNS, with Prayers of the People

(4) *We prepare to leave and be doers of God's Word!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INVITATION TO GIVE

THE PRAYER OF JESUS

A CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

†\*HYMN OF MISSION:      *They'll Know We Are Christians*      TFWS 2223

\*A BLESSING & GOING FORTH

(You are invited to place any offerings in the **Offering Box** as you leave the sanctuary;  
you may also give online at **peumc.org/donate** or use the **QR Code** in this bulletin.)

# Prayer List:

Please pray for these members & friends throughout **MARCH**:

Page C. / Marissa H. / Jim & Midge H. / Guy & JoAnn D. / Lisa M. /  
Chuck & Rachel L. / Mary H. / Jean O. / Revs. Caleb & Doug

**Our Homebound:** Mabel; Midge & Jim; Mary; Chris; Lynn R.; Phil; Norm; Kathleen

**Our Children:** Addisyn; Brynlee; Eliza; Ella; Gabriel; Gabrielle; Gracie; Sawyer; Symphony

**Our Infirm at Home:** Joann & Peter K., Maribeth L-S.

**Our College Students:** Michaela W.; Korbin B.; Melanie & Lilyann S.

**From 2/22:** Prayers for **Deb, Sara, and Patsy**; prayers of healing for our friend, **Carol**, who was hit by a car while crossing the street – she suffered major broken bones and is facing a two-month hospital stay (Becky); prayers of healing for **my mom** who is suffering with severe back pain (Becky). JOY: Tiara and Colby are back with us; our friend, Diane P., is on a new immuno-therapy and is doing better (Sue & Leo).

**From 3/1:** Prayers for Tim & Leslyn Jacobs and their daughter, Leigh, whose son/brother, **Ben**, passed away last Friday unexpectedly at age 40, prayers for his friends struggling with his loss, this is our cousin (Jean & Jack M.); prayers for **all those in the world and Middle East impeded by the continuing violence** and prayers for **the safety of the military forces** carrying out their missions (Leo & Sue T.).

**From 3/8:** Prayers for: Iran and the entire Middle East; for the ~148 girls killed at school in Minab, Iran; women & girls around the world who are persecuted; for Carol, Diane, Mary L., Jim & Midge. JOY: Spring weather; 96-year-old birthday party; 21 children at Kathy's Storytime.

**From 3/15:** *No in-person service.*

## Daily Scripture Readings (based on Sunday's Scripture)

**Monday** (3/23): John 13:36-38

**Tuesday** (3/24): John 14:1-14

**Wednesday** (3/25): John 14:15-31

**Thursday** (3/26): John 15:1-17

**Friday** (3/27): John 15:18-16:4a

**Saturday** (3/28): John 16:4b-15

**Sunday** (3/29): John 12:12-29, John 19:1-30

## **March Mission Project:**

1. FOCUS Hygiene Drive
2. Parsonage Stonework Proj.
3. Wednesday evening offerings for student debt relief.

## **Sermon Notes & Prayers from Today:**

# THIS WEEK'S CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP:

- *Prayer theme:* Pray that you will see Christ already kneeling beside you in the daily moments & routines of life: work, caregiving, errands, conversations, meal preps, etc.
- *Consider:* *Who in my sphere of influence has 'dirty feet' that I could help clean? How are my own feet dirty and how willing am I to have them cleaned by others?*
- *Action:* Be a Sacrament: Offer a word of blessing to someone who rarely receives encouragement; do an act of service without announcing it; listen without interrupting; clean something for someone else as a prayerful act; form a habit of notifying where love can kneel.

## Sunday Services – 10a

**TODAY – March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

*Fifth Sunday in Lent*

**Easter Choir Practice – 1 of 3 – 9:10A**

Third Sunday Refreshments

Scripture: John 13, *Jesus Serves*

**March 29<sup>th</sup>**

*Palm-Passion Sunday*

**Easter Choir Practice – 2 of 3 – 9:10A**

Scripture: John 12 & 19, *Triumphal Entry*

**April 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Easter Sunday**

**8:30A – Easter Breakfast – Fellowship H.**

**8:50A – Simple, Early Service – F.H.**

**9:10A – Easter Choir Practice – 3 of 3**

**10:00A – Regular Easter Service**

Scripture: John 20, *The Resurrection*

**April 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Holy Humor Sunday – Easter.2**

Scripture: John 20-21, *Thomas Doubts*

## Looking Ahead

**G.R.A.C.E. Series: THE GIFT OF LENT**

**WEEK 5 - FINAL**

Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> @ PEUMC sanctuary

6:30 – 7:30P - service

led by Rev. Michelle from Grace Lutheran, *Rapids*

*“A man gives his donkey.”*

## Mauddy Thursday Service

Combined Service hosted @ Nekoosa United Church of Christ

Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> – 7:00 PM

**In 13 days (4/4):**

**Community Easter Egg Hunt @ PEUMC – 10:15 A**