

*Four Towns United Methodist Church
Worship Service - 10:00 a.m.
Pastor George Marck*

March 9th 2025

1st Sunday in Lent

Prelude

Welcome

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**Hymn* "My Hope Is Built"

UMH #583

**Call to Worship*

Who We Are Litany

One: If we truly believe that God's plan is different than ours we will know that God's hope differs from our desires for a promising future.

ALL: Hope is with us even when we do not feel hopeful.

One: God always has a plan in mind for us as his people.

ALL: Hope includes us in that plan and asks us to take risks to bring that plan to life.

One: God calls us to be agents of change for the world, to bring the kingdom of God here on earth.

ALL: Help us to believe that we are the right people at the right time to answer your call to be your agents of change in our world.

One: Give us the courage to live never being the same.

ALL: When we are never the same, we yearn for transforming ways that change us and change the world around us, freeing us from injustice and sin.

One: Remind us that we can be different as Christians.

ALL: Remind us to be your hopeful people in our world today. Remind us that hope is always present because God is always present.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

**Hymn* "Don't Be Afraid" Rev. Caleb Williams

Scripture Lessons

2 Timothy 1: 7

Liturgist

Message "Hope and Risk Taking"

Creed "I Believe" Rev. Caleb Williams

Imposition of Ashes

Invitation to Offering

Pastor

**Doxology*

#95

**Dedication of Offering*

Pastor

**Closing Hymn* "Hymn of Promise" UMH #572

Benediction

Postlude

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!

If you would like a pastoral visit or know of someone in the hospital or a nursing home who would appreciate a pastoral visit or if you would like to be put on the calling and email lists, please email Pastor George at: ac8550@wayne.edu

Upcoming Events: Our next Administrative Board meeting is Monday, March 10th at 7:00 p.m.

AA Meetings Every Tues. & Wed. 8:00pm, Sat. 7:30pm

NOTE: Calendar & Online Giving are now available at:
www.fourtowns.org

Pastor's Note:

This morning, we are beginning a new sermon series on Hope - We are Hope in our world today. God definitely can use us to be hope for the world. Part of being hope for the world involves two things - hope is more than an expression of our desires and more than personal desire and true hope always involves some risk taking on our parts. We must always not confuse hope as what we want and the hope that God wants both for us and for the world. Hope is always present because God is always present. It's a lot to keep up with God and understanding what new ways he wants to work. In this new year, we are going to keep looking for the new ways that God wants to work among us. We will then walk with courage and strength to begin to incorporate those new ways into our lives together. Come back next week as we continue our sermon series on Hope.

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