

**Third Sunday In Lent
March 27, 2011 10:00AM**

**Blackstone Valley
United Methodist Church**

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*Our Mission is to change people's lives
through a relationship with Jesus Christ.*

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~WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE~

Greeting of Peace

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Opening Song

"Come, Now is the Time to Worship"

Insert

Call to Worship

L: Come, all that have entered into this space from faraway lands,
different cultures, and from places of divergent perspectives and
opinions.

P: *We come to find our home in the spacious and accepting heart
of God and to see within it our soul's longing and future.*

Hymn

"He is Exalted"

#2070

Opening Prayer

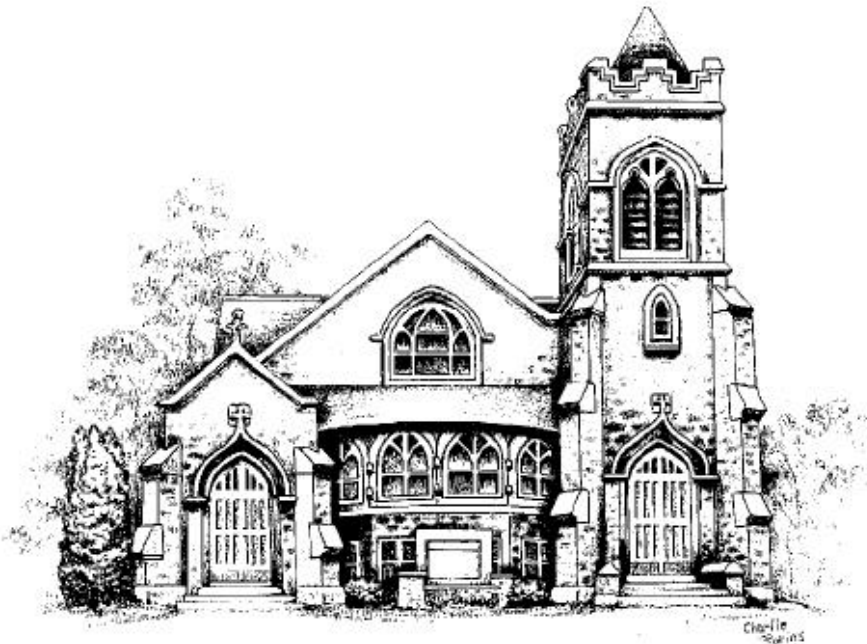
God of goodness and life, we gather in the hope and beauty of
this day, to be further opened along the pathways of faith you set before
us. Holy One, be our journey and destination. Question our safe
decisions, prod our imaginings, and walk boldly beside us into the
unknown, yet promised-filled future. Holy One, be our journey and
destination. Amen

This Week at Blackstone Valley United Methodist Church

A Time for the Child in All of Us

LuAnn Belseth

(Children may be dismissed for Sunday School)



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Offertory "More Love, More Power" **Insert**

Doxology #95

Offertory Prayer

What joy there can be, Loving God, in the giving and receiving of cool, refreshing water! Thank you for the living water we have received from Christ and are privileged to share. Bless the resources gathered today to sustain the programs and outreach of this church. May they and we give fitting expression to our thankfulness. Amen.

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~WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD~

Anthem "Fill My Cup, Lord"
Words and Music by Richard Blanchard
Sung by Jay Henry, Bonnie Mochun and Jeff Vollmer

Reading of the Word
Gospel John 4: 5 - 42

Hymn "O the Depth of Love Divine" #627

Message Rev. Michele Ewers

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~WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE~

A Time for Prayer Dean Fortin

The 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

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~WE GO FORTH TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD~

Hymn "Jesus, Name above all Names" #2071

Sending Forth

L: God, who creates and renews the universe,
has met us here and goes with us into each new day.
P: *Christ, who spoke to the woman at the well,
offers us the same living water she received.*
L: God, who sends us into the world as water carriers,
equips us with abilities to share good news.
P: *When Christ comes to people in desert places,
complaints are stilled and hard hearts are melted.*
L: God, who sent Jesus into the world for our sakes,
sends us out to be as Christ to our neighbors.
All: *Where God sends, we will go, rejoicing,
for Christ dwells in us as listeners and care-givers. Amen.*

Closing Song "The River is Here" **Insert**

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Bringing the Light into the World

Call to Worship, Opening Prayer:
From *Seasons of the Spirit*.
Offertory Prayer, Sending Forth:
From *Fresh Winds of the Spirit* by Lavon Bayler

Other Lectionary Readings

Exodus 17: 1-17

Psalm 95

Romans 5: 1-11