

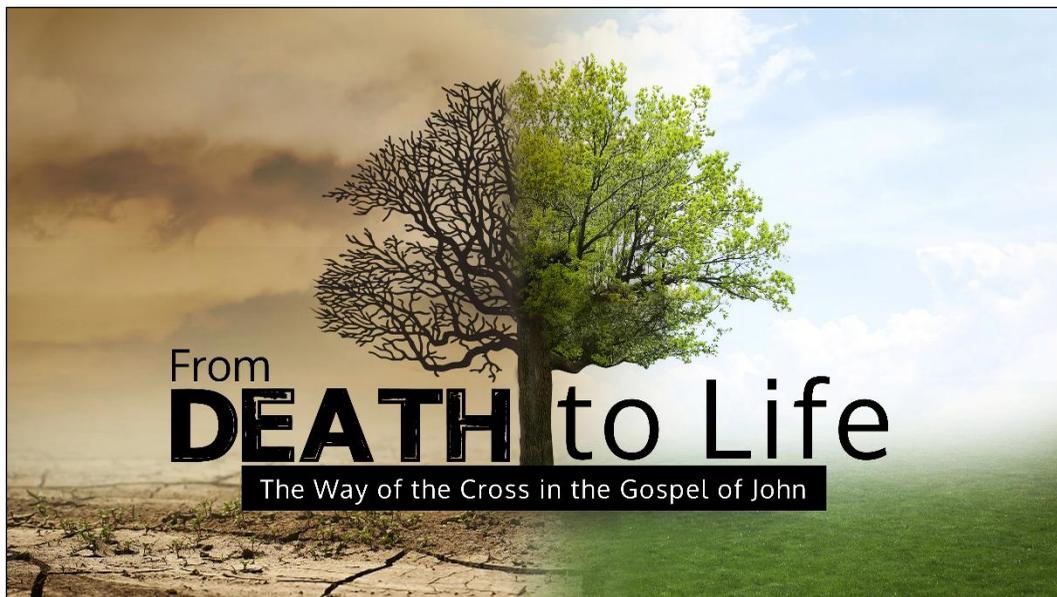


# Winchester UMC

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Sunday, March 22, 2026

*Fifth Sunday in Lent*



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# WINCHESTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*A Lighthouse of Hope: Reaching, Sharing, Teaching,  
Caring: United to Reflect God's Love to All!*

## *Gathering*

Prelude & Lighting of the Altar Candles

Welcome & Connection

Centering Words

“Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend... and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.” –  
Philippians 2:9-11

Opening Prayer (Unison Prayer)

**Sovereign God, in this season of Lent we gather to remember the way of the cross. Though the world mocked and rejected him, Jesus Christ is our true King, ordained by you. Open our hearts to his truth today. Quiet the voices that compete for our loyalty, and teach us to follow Christ with faith and obedience. Lead us on the path that moves from death to life. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

\* Praise Video      “Holy Forever”      Chris Tomlin

\*Prayer of Confession (Unison Prayer)

**Merciful God, we confess that we do not always honor Christ as our King. Too often we give our loyalty to comfort, convenience, and the voices of the world. We choose our own way instead of following Jesus. Forgive us, Lord. Turn our hearts back to you. Teach us to trust Christ above all else, and to live each day in faithful obedience to him. In silence, we confess the ways we have turned aside from your call...**

\*Silent Prayer & Assurance of Pardon

\*Passing the Peace of Christ



## *In Our Prayers*

Terry Aossey, Michael Cody, Jade, Grandma Marta, Jackie Barber, Eric Gregory, Lanise Kirk, Jack Kunz, Braylee Littig, Megan Long Little, Rosemary Peterson, Michael Ryan, Samara White, Friends in Area Nursing Centers, Friends who are Homebound, Those in the Military: Blake Clayton, Chris Dukett, Haley Westermayer, Kale Pollard, Christian Wells, and All who are Looking for Work.

***Winchester UMC expresses their prayers of Sympathy to the Peak family in Jean seeing her Lord Jesus, also to the family of David Pfeiffer (Christine Fletcher's dad) as he entered into Glory.***

## *Worship Online*

Our Sunday worship services can be viewed online:

- Website: [winchesterilumc.org/multimedia](http://winchesterilumc.org/multimedia)
- YouTube: [youtube.com/@winchesterillinoisunitedme213](https://youtube.com/@winchesterillinoisunitedme213)
- Facebook: [facebook.com/winchesterumc](https://facebook.com/winchesterumc)

## *Online Giving*



*"If you'd like to make an offering electronically, you're welcome to use the QR code provided. Regardless of how you choose to participate today, we're grateful for your presence in worship."*