

**St. John's United Church of Christ**

201 West Market Street Germantown, OH 45327

**March 30, 2025, 10:30AM**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

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*Liturgist: Sharon Fenton*

*Organist: Decker Jones*

*Pastor: Mark Anthony*

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**Announcements**

**Lighting of the Candles**

**Welcome**

**Passing of the Peace**

**Prelude**

*Reconciliation*

**\*Call to Worship:**

Leader: A new day is dawning, a new light is shining.

**People: The old ways of anger and fear are passing.**

Leader: This is the day of forgiveness and reconciliation.

**People: God, send your Spirit to renew the face of the Earth.**

**\*Hymn**

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

**R 517**

**Verses 1-2,4**

**\*Opening Prayer**

Leader: Let us pray

**People: God, whose love for us never fails, even when we wander far from home, teach us compassion for all who are lost and confused.**

**Keep us from living as competitors for your favors, that we may be signs of your gracious mercy. May we welcome all those who seek you.**

**We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**Musical Offering**

*Just a Closer Walk With Thee*

**Bell Choir**

**Children's Moment & Water Prayer**

**Scripture**

**2 Corinthians 5: 16-20**

**Luke 15: 11-32**

**Message**

**Things Need To Change**

**Mark Anthony**

**\*Hymn**

*Your Love, O God*

**R71**

**Verses 1,3-4**

**\*The Offering**

**\*Doxology**

**All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him, all creatures here below, Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer**

**\*Closing Hymn**

*Softly and Tenderly*

**B 326**

**Verses 1-2,4**

**\*Dismissal with Blessing**

**Postlude**

*Lost and Found*

**\*All join us in standing as able**

## **Calendar of Events:**

Tuesday (04/01):	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
Thursday (04/03):	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
Saturday (04/05):	10-12PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
Tuesday (04/08)	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
Thursday (04/10)	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room

### **Staff:**

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### **Worship Team:**

**Liturgist:** Sharon Fenton

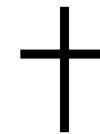
**Special Music Group:** Bell Choir

**Tech:** Kendall Peters, Rich Miletic, DJ Truax,  
Grace Gregor, Tom Weaver



*St. John's United Church of Christ is an inclusive congregation where God's love is felt by all, for all, and in all we do through worship, mission and community.*

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