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March 8, 2026
Third Sunday in Lent

Welcome:

Prelude: Alex Seman

Opening Prayer

O God,
whose love like rolling ocean waves is never ceasing,
yet ever refreshing,
wash us in the clear, calm waters of your mercy and grace
so that we may be made new, clean,
bathed in the tides of your forgiveness.
Through Christ in whom we are refreshed. Amen.

Come as a Child:

Affirmation of Faith:

We believe:

The poor in spirit are blessed, and theirs is the kingdom of heaven;

Those who mourn are blessed, and they will be comforted;

The meek are blessed, and they will inherit the earth;

Those who hunger and thirst for righteousness are blessed, and they will be filled;

The merciful are blessed, and they will receive mercy;

The pure in heart are blessed, and they will see God;

The peacemakers are blessed, and they will be called children of God;

Those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake are blessed, and theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

We believe we are blessed when people revile us and persecute us and falsely utter all kinds of evil against us because of Jesus Christ.

We shall rejoice and be glad, for our reward is great in heaven,

For in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before us. Amen.

Song of Faith:

Scripture: Exodus 17:1-7

Sermon: The Gift of Water**Song of Faith:****Generosity Moment****Prayer:**

Surprising God of Mercy, you meet us in wilderness places and walk beside us through trial and temptation. Even when we feel alone, your grace is never far, your presence never absent. In our giving, we offer not just our resources, but our trust that you are already at work, shaping us through challenge, strengthening us through sacrifice, and surrounding us with unseen angels. Use these gifts to bring hope where there is hunger, healing where there is pain, and light where there is despair. May what we give reflect our desire to walk more closely with you, even in the hard places.

In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Musical Response: *Make Me a Servant*

Announcements:

Joys and Concerns:

Prayer Song: *El Shaddai*

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Song of Faith:

Benediction:

Fellowship Time!

Mountainside United Methodist Church

Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of our community and the world.

Vision: To be a thriving Christ-led people in the East Mountains,
inviting all generations to a transforming experience of God's Grace.


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~ We are glad you are online with us today! Please register your attendance
and your joys and concerns in the chat box.

~ Messy Church on Wednesday, March 18 will focus on St. Patrick

~ deadline for adult ministry questionnaires is March 31

~ We would like to pray for you! Prayer requests may be sent to our prayer chain at prayer@mountainsidemethodist.org.



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