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**March 15, 2026**  
**Fourth Sunday in Lent**

**Welcome:**

**Prelude:** Alex Seman

**Greeting:**

For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness,"  
who has shone in our hearts

**to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God  
in the face of Jesus Christ.**

**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:** Hovey Corbin

**Scripture:** Ephesians 5:8-14

**Sermon: Be the Light**

**Song of Faith:** Hovey Corbin

**Hearing from our Lay Leader:** Ernie Gaddis

**Prayer:**

Loving God, faithful and gracious forever,  
You love us more than we love ourselves.  
You believe in us more than we believe in ourselves.  
You call us to walk with Christ,  
and be more than we ever thought possible.  
Take our gifts.

Receive our thanks.  
Accept our praise:  
through Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Musical Response:** *Seek Ye First*

**Announcements:**

**Joys and Concerns:**

**Prayer Song:** *Surely the Presence*

**Prayers of the People**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Song of Faith:** Hovey Corbin

**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.

WORSHIP + CONNECT + GROW + SERVE

~ Wednesday, March 18th - Messy Church

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

~ We would like to pray for you! Prayer requests may be sent to our prayer chain at [prayer@mountainsidemethodist.org](mailto:prayer@mountainsidemethodist.org).



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