



Clearview
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



March 30, 2025

9:30 am Worship • Sanctuary & Online

WORSHIP GUIDE

WELCOME

Welcome to Clearview United Methodist Church. Each and every week we look forward to this time to gather as a community. We are glad YOU are here today with us!

You can use this worship guide to help lead through worship and throughout the week. We truly hope you enjoy your time here this morning and hope you return soon.

Some logistics you may find helpful:

- Worship runs about an hour and fifteen minutes, sometimes a bit shorter & sometimes a bit longer.
- Grab a nametag from the table in the East Wing. If you are a guest, our Hospitality Team will happily make one for you.
- Childcare is available for non-school-aged children (infants through 4 years) in Room #10. Children in Grades K through 5 are invited to worship until after the Children's Moment and then can go to Sunday School in Room #11.
 - Help us create the best learning environment we can by leaving toys at home. Snacks for younger children are ok, but should not be brought for elementary aged children.
 - Please encourage your child(ren) to use the restroom before church starts.
- Busy bags are available for children (or adults) who would like to keep their hands busy during the worship service.
- A restroom is in the Care & Share Room to the right of the front of the Sanctuary. Additional restrooms are outside in the courtyard.
- Prayer Cards are available in the pew before you and at all entrances. Please place your prayer card in the offering plate or a prayer box. It is our joy and privilege to be praying with and for you.
- We have several ways you can give financially to support the mission of Clearview.
 1. Place cash/check in the offering plate/boxes or mail to the church.
 2. Text any amount to (727) 513-5557.
 3. Visit clearviewumc.org/give.
 4. Use your bank's bill payer system.
- For more information, visit our website (clearviewumc.org).

OUR MISSION

This is the reason we exist as a church:

Living an embodied faith, sharing God's love for all.

OUR VALUES

These concepts define who we are, what we are committed to, and how we participate in community together: We are...

Caring and Compassionate
Serving-focused
Community-focused
Kingdom-minded
Open-minded
Team-based
Innovative

OUR RHYTHM OF LIFE & TRANSFORMATION

This rhythm moves us toward individual and communal transformation:

Look Up to God • **Look In** to Ourselves • **Look Out** to our community

OUR VISION

How we see God's preferred future lived out:

God's love reaches Saint Petersburg and beyond.

HOW IT ALL WORKS TOGETHER

As we are *living an embodied faith, sharing God's love for all*,
being guided by our *values*,
and becoming people who *Look Up, Look In and Look Out*,
the Holy Spirit will fulfill the vision where,
God's love reaches Saint Petersburg and beyond.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*UMH: The United Methodist Hymnal • TFWS: The Faith We Sing • *please stand as you are able*

WE GATHER

WELCOME

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

***WORSHIP MUSIC**

Hosanna, Laud Hosanna – UMH #278

WE PROCLAIM

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed – UMH #881

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory Be To The Father - UMH #71

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

PRAYER

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

***WORSHIP MUSIC**

Beneath The Cross Of Jesus – UMH #297

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 16:19-31 CEB

MESSAGE

The Barrier Of Injustice

WE RESPOND

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY MUSIC

All Glory Laud And Honor – UMH #280

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow – UMH #95

WE GO OUT

***BENEDICTION**

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER GUIDE

Sunday • Mar 30	Humanitarian Crises: Middle East, Haiti & Africa
Monday • Mar 31	Victims of the War in Ukraine
Tuesday • Apr 1	Victims of the Withdrawal of USAid Funds
Wednesday • Apr 2	Victims of Storms, Wildfires, Tornadoes in Multiple USA States
Thursday • Apr 3	Victims of Syria, Sudan & DR Congo Conflicts
Friday • Apr 4	Victims of Palisades, Eaton & Hughes, CA Wildfires
Saturday • Apr 5	Cont'd. Federal Aid For Homelessness, Food & Disaster Relief

New Mar 30th: Tyler Battaglini, going through bad times-prayers for him and his safety (friend of J. Burdewick's son); Inflation and taxes to go down, food prices to drop, good jobs for all, good/free healthcare for all (Anonymous); Kelly & Hilary Forey, Kelly started chemo-prayers for healing and comfort (Goude Family).

New Mar 23rd: Bonnie, scheduled for laparoscopic gall bladder surgery on 3/26-prayers for speedy recovery (stepmother-T. Glick); Ed, surgery and advanced Crohn's Disease-prayers for peace and comfort (D. Deacon); Kenny, catheterization w/stent-prayers for speedy recovery (D. Deacon); Sally-prayers to find the best treatment for health issues (D. Deacon).

Ongoing: Amalina, Sue & Virginia Atkins, Eileen Bennett, Chris Benware, Michael Benware, Arline Burdewick, Family of Roger D., Jean Daddis, Harry Davis, Tim Deacon, Declan, Genevieve DeHoog, Robert Eldred, Patricia Gagnon, Gingir, Godfrey Family, Phyllis Greenwood, Hockersmith Family & Friends, Eric Hinkle, Jamie Hoffman & Family, Rycky Hollimon, Leatha & Marc, Carolyn McGovern, Martha "G-Money", Doris Monk, Sandy Morneault, Rosemary Norton, Kirsten Owens, James Persinger, Nancy Plato, Tammi Radcliff, George Roth, Sr., Matthew Torre, Lynda Waite, Keith & Diane Winchell, All School Teachers, Staff and Students, Pastor Erick Ashley & Family, Clearview UMC & Leadership, our country and leaders.

Our Mission Partners: Our sister church in Cuba: Iglesia Metodista de Guareiras – Matanzas Cuba District; Florida Dream Center; Residing Hope, Zoe Empowers Abishyizehamwe "Togetherness" Group in Rwanda.

Military: Seth Crist & Family, Sam Godin, Casey Linde-Powers, and All American Military In Harm's Way.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CLEARVIEW?

Fifth Sunday Offering, March 30

Today, half of our General Budget offering will support our four mission partners: our sister church in Cuba, Zoe Empowers, Residing Hope, and the Florida Dream Center. These partners are doing incredible work, and we support them through both our giving and our prayers. Please consider them prayerfully as you prepare your offering.

UMCOR Sunday on March 30

The special offering collected on UMCOR Sunday covers all administrative costs for the year. Your generosity today ensures that 100% of donations go directly to disaster response and humanitarian aid throughout the year. It allows UMCOR to respond immediately when crises arise. Together, we can be the hands and feet of Christ, bringing hope and healing where it's needed most.

Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday, April 19

Join us for our Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 19, from 9–10:30 am at the Pavilion and Field on the west side of campus. We're looking for volunteers to help with setup, decorating, kids' crafts, and clean up—your help makes it all happen!

Thanks to a generous egg donation last summer, we do *not* need plastic eggs this year. However, we do need **small, individually wrapped candy** (no chocolate or peanuts, please). Donations can be placed in the basket in the East Wing. **Egg stuffing day is Saturday, April 12, from 8:30–11 am.** Thank you, Judy Tenison.

Zoe Empowers Mission Partner

We are in the third year of supporting our Zoe Empowers kids. They are doing great; supporting their families and growing two and three businesses. If you weren't able to make the virtual Zoom trip to Rwanda to hear from our Zoe kids, please check it out at: <https://www.flumc.org/zoe-empowers-GC>.

Clearview's Staff Appreciation Day - May 18th!

Traditionally, October is staff appreciation month. Between the Pumpkin Patch and hurricane season, the busyness of October doesn't allow time for Clearview to focus on celebrating our staff. So, May 18th has been designated as Clearview's Staff Appreciation Day. During the four Sundays in April, we will be taking a special love offering for Pastor Erick, Diana Wells, Stephen Brinkley, and our three nursery attendants: Rachel Cuevas, Sydney Lawson, and Hailey Fay. A unique offering envelope will be available each of the Sundays in April; you can also give online or via text using the designation "Staff Appreciation." Your gifts will be presented during the worship service on May 18. Thank you for prayerfully considering your love offering to our staff, who go way above and beyond to care for us and our campus. *"The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching."* - 1 Timothy 5:17 NIV

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, MAR 30 – *Lenten Symbols: The Barrier Of Injustice*

- **FIFTH SUNDAY** – offering split between operating budget and mission partners
- **UMCOR SUNDAY** – special offering
- **Worship**, 9:30 am – Sanctuary & Online
- **Nursery (Infants-PK4)**, 9:30 am – Room 10
- **Children's Sunday School (Grades K-5)**, 10 am – Room 11
- **Coffee & Conversation**, 10:45ish am – Care & Share Room

MONDAY, MAR 31

- **Boy Scout Troop #334**, 6 pm – Scout House & Pavilion
- **Monday Night BS**, 6:45 pm – Care & Share Room
- **Alcoholics Anonymous (Gratitude)**, 8 pm – Fellowship Hall & Room 11

TUESDAY, APR 1

- **Alcoholics Anonymous (Fe y Esperanza)**, 8 pm – Module #31
- **Alcoholics Anonymous (Recovery Begins)**, 8 pm – Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, APR 2

- **Church Leadership Team Meeting with DS**, 5:30-6:30 pm – Care & Share Room
- **Lealman Community Association**, 7-8 pm – Lealman Exchange

THURSDAY, APR 3

- **Alcoholics Anonymous (Serenity, Back to the 40s)**, 11 am – Module #31
- **Alcoholics Anonymous (A Clear View to the Big Book)**, 7 pm – Module #32

FRIDAY, APR 4

- **Alcoholics Anonymous (Fe y Esperanza)**, 8 pm – Module #31

SATURDAY, APR 5

- **Adopt-A-Block Food Distribution**, 9 am – Pavilion & Field

SUNDAY, APR 6 – *Lenten Symbols: The Reflection Of Change*

- **Worship**, 9:30 am – Sanctuary & Online
- **Nursery (Infants-PK4)**, 9:30 am – Room 10
- **Children's Sunday School (Grades K-5)**, 10 am – Room 11
- **Coffee & Conversation**, 10:45ish am – Care & Share Room

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Apr 12	Easter Egg Stuffing	8:30-11 am
Apr 12	Memorial Service for Wen Hockersmith (Sanctuary)	1 pm
Apr 13	Palm Sunday (Bring a palm branch to wave!)	9:30 am
Apr 15	Church Leadership Team with DS (Clearview Sanctuary)	6:30 pm
Apr 17	Holy Week Tenebrae Worship (Gulfport Sanctuary)	2 pm
Apr 17	Holy Week Tenebrae Worship (Clearview Sanctuary)	7 pm
Apr 19	Easter Egg Hunt	9-10:30 am
Apr 20	Easter Sunrise Worship (Gulfport Beach Pavilion)	7 am
Apr 20	Easter Sanctuary Worship	9:30 am
Apr 27	Announcement Day for 2025-26 Clergy Appointments	9:30 am
Apr 27	Free Community Dinner	5-6:30 pm
May 5	Bishop's Regional Gathering (FUMC-Lakeland)	6:30 pm
May 6	Church Leadership Team Meeting	6:30 pm
May 7	Bishop's Regional Gathering (Harvest UMC-Lakewood Ranch)	6:30 pm

STEWARDSHIP OF PRESENCE & GIFTS

Week of March 23, 2025

2025 Year-To-Date

Worship	61		Worship (avg weekly)	61
Online Worship	13		Online (avg weekly)	19
Giving Received This Week	\$2,029.92		Giving Received YTD	\$25,435.39
Giving Needed Weekly	\$1,789.00		Giving Needed YTD	\$21,468.00
Surplus/Loss	\$240.92		Surplus/Loss	\$3,967.39

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 Gulf Central District Superintendent – Rev. Emily Hotho