

GATHERING MUSIC

Erin Adams-Griffin

MESSAGE

TED Talk: "My Stroke of Insight" by Jill Bolte Taylor

WELCOME & GREETING

REFLECTIONS

Pastor Morie Adams-Griffin

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

God, we gather on this day to begin a week of contrasts.

From hope to despair to hope again.

As we begin the week, as we join with the crowd

**help us cut through the noise to see what is happening,
to see what is at stake.**

As the story unfolds,

open us to both the hope and the pain.

In this time of worship,

prepare us to celebrate, to weep, and to wait.

We pray in the name of the one who leads the parade

As we proclaim,

"Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!"

***HYMN**

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

UMH #526

PRAYER TIME

Community Prayers

Silent Prayer

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

***HYMN**

"I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"

UMH #521

***SHARING THE PEACE**

***OPENING HYMN**

"Who is He"

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CHILDREN'S TIME

Mark 11:1-11

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

UMH # 278

TIN CUP OFFERING

BUMP: Browning United Methodist Parish. Winter Relief Fund

Tin Cup is a chance to give to a variety of missions chosen by WUMC youth.

BENEDICTION

This is a vision of the way it can be, the way it should be—

Shouts of welcome, a joyful procession,
a community celebrating together.

The same vision is offered to us today:

We can welcome Christ into our lives;

We can celebrate his transforming power.

How swiftly things changed back then,
How swiftly we, too, can be distracted.

May we hold fast to his vision of goodness—

**Peace from the practice of justice,
equality from the practice of respect.**

As this week unfolds,

We will let ourselves be overtaken by God's love

We will pour it back out into the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

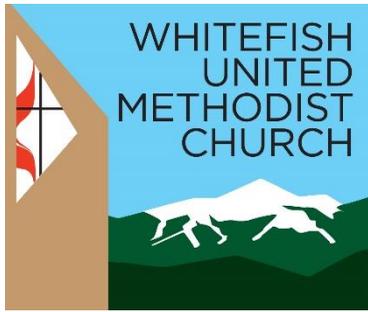
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #94

SCRIPTURE

John 17:6-26 *The Message Bible*

***POSTLUDE MUSIC**



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Thank you
FLOWERS & FELLOWSHIP: Jean Loercher
Announcements

EASTER HAPPENINGS

EASTER DECORATING

We are decorating the sanctuary for Easter Sunday **THIS FRIDAY, March 30th, at 11am.** We anticipate it only taking a couple of hours. We appreciate any volunteers willing to help!

EASTER WORSHIP

Easter Sunday is **NEXT WEEK** & we need your help! We still need volunteers to help with both worship services, bring a food item to our afternoon brunch & help clean up. Please check the sign-up sheets today!

EASTER FLOWER ORDERS DUE TODAY!

Welcome spring & adorn our altar for Easter! Tulips & lilies for sale - \$12 each. They'll be displayed Easter Sunday, then they're yours to take home! **Orders must be in TODAY!**

RAINBOW'S END PIZZA DAY

It's here again! Your chance to support Rainbow's End Daycare & Preschool & fill your belly with good food at the same time! Order your favorite items from MacKenzie River Pizza in Whitefish on **Monday, March 26th** & R.E. will get 20% of your meal dollars spent! Vouchers are on the table in the narthex or at whitefishumc.org. **Vouchers must be presented at time of order.**

MARCH FOOD BANK NEWS

We delivered 33 pounds of food to North Valley Food Bank! This month they are collecting canned pineapple & canned veggies for Easter dinners as well as cereal. Thanks!

MAY CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Volunteers are still needed for **May**. The curriculum is planned! "Team" teaching is ok! **Please sign up TODAY!** If no one volunteers we will start summer schedule early!

INTERFAITH PEACE SERVICE

The first Interfaith Peace Service in the Flathead Valley will be **Sunday, April 8th, 5 -6pm, at the Gateway Mall's** community event space. Please join! All are welcome!

**OPEN HEARTS, OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS.
THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH.**



John 17:6-26 *The Message Bible*

I spelled out your character in detail
To the men and women you gave me.
They were yours in the first place;
Then you gave them to me,
And they have now done what you said.
They know now, beyond the shadow of a doubt,
That everything you gave me is firsthand from you,
For the message you gave me, I gave them;
And they took it, and were convinced
That I came from you.
They believed that you sent me.
I pray for them.
I'm not praying for the God-rejecting world
But for those you gave me,
For they are yours by right.
Everything mine is yours, and yours mine,
And my life is on display in them.
For I'm no longer going to be visible in the world;
They'll continue in the world
While I return to you.
Holy Father, guard them as they pursue this life
That you conferred as a gift through me,
So they can be one heart and mind
As we are one heart and mind.
As long as I was with them, I guarded them
In the pursuit of the life you gave through me;
I even posted a night watch.
And not one of them got away,
Except for the rebel bent on destruction
(the exception that proved the rule of Scripture).
Now I'm returning to you.
I'm saying these things in the world's hearing
So my people can experience
My joy completed in them.
I gave them your word;
The godless world hated them because of it,
Because they didn't join the world's ways,
Just as I didn't join the world's ways.
I'm not asking that you take them out of the world
But that you guard them from the Evil One.

They are no more defined by the world
Than I am defined by the world.
Make them holy—consecrated—with the truth;
Your word is consecrating truth.
In the same way that you gave me
a mission in the world,
I give them a mission in the world.
I'm consecrating myself for their sakes
So they'll be truth-consecrated in their mission.
I'm praying not only for them
But also for those who will believe in me
Because of them and their witness about me.
The goal is for all of them to become one heart and
mind—
Just as you, Father, are in me and I in you,
So they might be one heart and mind with us.
Then the world might believe that you, in fact, sent me.
The same glory you gave me, I gave them,
So they'll be as unified and together as we are—
I in them and you in me.
Then they'll be mature in this oneness,
And give the godless world evidence
That you've sent me and loved them
In the same way you've loved me.
Father, I want those you gave me
To be with me, right where I am,
So they can see my glory, the splendor you gave me,
Having loved me
Long before there ever was a world.
Righteous Father, the world has never known you,
But I have known you, and these disciples know
That you sent me on this mission.
I have made your very being known to them—
Who you are and what you do—
And continue to make it known,
So that your love for me
Might be in them
Exactly as I am in them.

This Week

TODAY

Adult Bible Study 9a

MONDAY

RE Pizza Day!

THURSDAY

Maundy Thursday
Potluck 6p / Worship 7p

FRIDAY

Decorate 11a

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunrise Service 7:30a
Worship & Potluck 10:15a
Easter Egg Hunt 11:15a

Volunteer!

Get involved! Sign-up today in the narthex or visit whitefishumc.org

- Liturgist on Sunday
- Bring altar flowers
- Lead fellowship
- Provide a meal for Youth Group!

Easy Giving

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