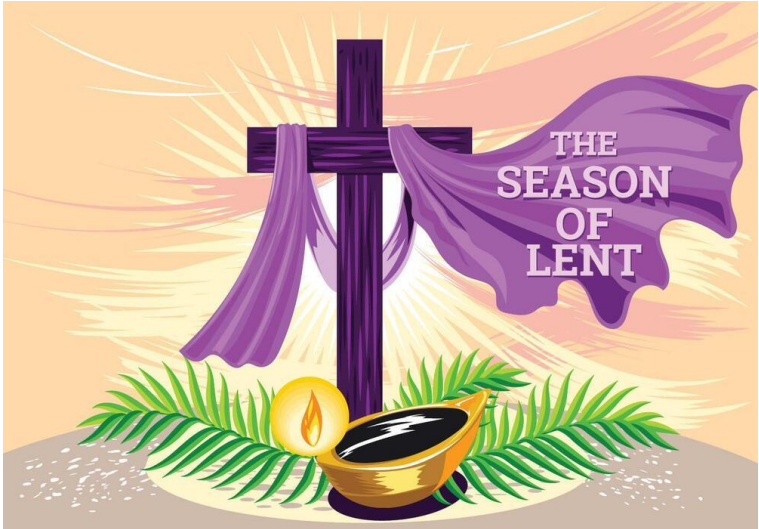


# Mar in Grove United Church

where worship leads to service

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent



**“A Light in the Dark”**

**Rev. Dr. Rick Tamas**

**March 1, 2026**

# Welcome to Worship!

*VU refers to Voices United, MV refers to More Voices*

**\*Indicates an invitation to stand -in body, or in spirit**

**In the silence of this sanctuary, let us prepare our hearts for worship.**

**Prelude: “Forty Days and Forty Nights”** *Music attr to Martin Herbst*

**Welcome**

**Announcements**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**\*Opening Hymn: MV 161 (vs 1, 2 & 4) “I Have Called You by Your Name”** *Words by Daniel Charles Damon*

**Call to Worship** (Marilyn Coombs)

**Prayer of Approach**

**Song of Personal Prayer: “Amazing Grace”** *Traditional American melody, Arr by Phillip Keveren*

**Prayer of Confession**

**Choir Anthem: “Jesus Died for Me”** *Words and Music by Jay Althouse*

**First Scripture: Psalm 121** (Marilyn Coombs)

**Second Scripture: Romans 4:1-5**

**For the Young and Young at Heart**

**Song of Reflection: “Thou Shalt Bring Them In”** *Music*  
by *George F. Handel*

(Jill Diane Fillion)

**Third Scripture: John 3:1-17**

**Reflection: “A Light in the Dark”** (Rev. Rick)

**Invitation to Offering**

**\*Offering Hymn: MV 85 “Take, O Take Me as I Am”**

*Words by John L. Bell*

**\*Offering Prayer**

**Lighting of the Prayer Candle**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**\*Closing Hymn: VU 120 (vs 1, 2 & 4) “O Jesus, I Have**

**Promised”** *Words by John Ernest Bode, Music by James William Elliott*

**\*Commissioning**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Sung Blessing: VU 400 “Lord Listen to Your Children**

**Praying”** *Words and Music by Ken Medema*

**Postlude: “Minuet”** *Music by George F. Handel*

“We acknowledge that our sacred space is found on the indigenous territories of the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishinabe, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Huron -Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Metis. With gratitude and respect for their stewardship of creation, we seek to live into right relations with all.”

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### **LOOKING AHEAD**

Mar 8 - Lent 3 - John 4:5-29

Mar 15 - Lent 4 - John 9:1-18

Mar 22 - Lent 5 - John 11:1-27

- Annual General Meeting  
following the service

Mar 29 - Palm Sunday

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