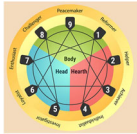


**THANKSGIVING & SENDING FORTH
INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

Called to live in hope; invited to abide in joy, let us share the blessings we have so richly received from God.

- *DOXOLOGY UMH #94
Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow
- *OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Shon
- *CLOSING HYMN UMH #287
O Love Divine, What Hast Thou Done
- *BENEDICTION Rev. Shon
- POSTLUDE Marianne Torkelson

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service



Spiritual Formation Group

A new group is forming to support your spiritual growth and introduce the **Enneagram** as a tool for reflection and making a **Spiritual Autobiography**.
Every Friday, 2 pm
Please contact the Pastor if interested.



Men's Group Meeting To-day After Worship

Open to all men of the congregation
We're not a "work party" — we're a gathering of men who value time together, devotion, conversation, and fellowship. One of our ongoing mission outreach projects is the Hilltop Garden, but our time together is about much more than tasks.
It's about community

Upcoming Meetings

Sun	Mar 8	Men's Group	10:15 am
Mon	Mar 9	Board of Trustees	5:30 pm



Dinner Church

Wednesday's—5:30-6:30 PM
EVERYONE is welcome!



REQUEST: Dessert Items

(Homemade or storebought cookies, cakes, bars, etc.)
Volunteers Sign-up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4FAAAC2AAAFBC16-47489118-dinner> or scan the QR above. User Name//Password not required. Contact Marcia Hagen or Charlene Galston for questions.
Menu this week: Sliced Ham , Scalloped Potatoes, Carrots, Fruit and Dessert
This month marks 2 years of Dinner Church!

Thank you to everyone who donated to the food pantry cart in February!

We collected **245** pounds!
We are continuing to accept donations to the cart at the church entrance.



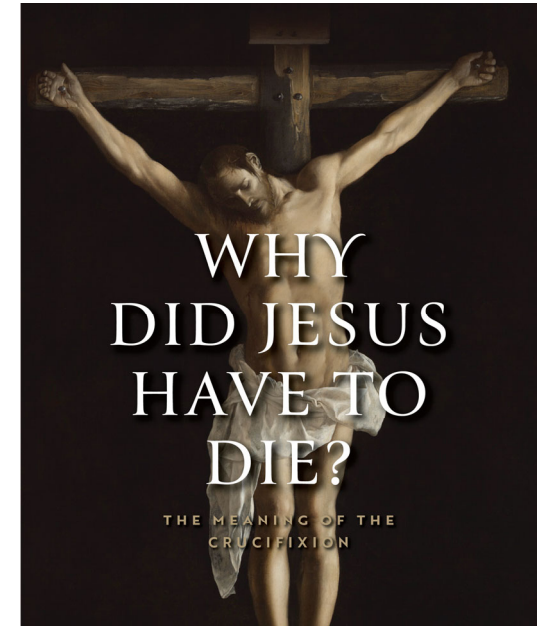
Mission Outreach
Sewing Day
Thursday March 12th
10am-3pm
Everyone Welcome!

The altar flowers this morning are given by **Nancy Rhoades**, who joins us in worship through our YouTube ministry
Thank you Nancy!



Ushers: Carol Anderson & Linda McCullough
Fellowship: Charlene Galston

**Black River Falls
United Methodist Church**



UMC Mission Statement:
"To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."

Pastor: Rev. Inwha Shon
Pianist: Carol Prindle

100 North Fourth Street
Black River Falls, WI 54615
Phone: 715-284-4114

Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 8am-1pm
Website: brfumc.org YouTube: [brfumc](https://www.youtube.com/brfumc)
Facebook: Black River Falls United Methodist Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

** Indicates, please stand if able.*

Third Sunday in Lent March 8, 2026 9 AM

Liturgist: Roxie Hostrawser

PRELUDE

Marianne Torkelson

INVITATION AND GATHERING

*CALL to WORSHIP

L: Come, all who carry the weight of sin and guilt.

P: Christ has taken up the sins of the world.

L: Come, all who long for mercy and grace.

P: God's love has nailed our debts to the cross.

L: Come, all who seek a new beginning.

P: By Christ's wounds, we are healed.

**A: Let us worship the God of mercy, love, and forgiveness!
Amen.**

*OPENING PRAYER

Living water, flow through our hearts today. Quench our thirst in our desert wanderings, and strengthen us for the road ahead. Bathe us in your fountain of eternal life, that our spirits may flow with faith and love, through the power of your eternal Spirit. In the name of Jesus, we pray.

Amen.

* OPENING HYMN

UMH #294

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

PRAYER of CONFESSION

God of living waters, we confess that we have often turned from you and wandered in our own wildernesses of fear and doubt. Our thirst mounts daily, seeking to be quenched by your redeeming love.

Yet, when that love is offered to us, we again turn away, unable to truly believe that you would actually heal and love us. We have behaved in very unloving ways. We have chosen to ignore those in need or to deal only passively with them. Our hearts are not placed in service to others, but rather in self-serving motives.

Heal us, merciful God. Wash us again in the living water. Help us be faithful servants. AMEN.

WORDS of ASSURANCE

The waters of mercy and healing are poured over you. God is loving and faithful to those who come to God. Come, seek the loving presence and be healed. AMEN.

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

God pours peace and love into our hearts through the power of the Holy Spirit. Let us receive these gifts, as we share the peace of Christ with one another.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*In Unison*)

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.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 53:1-12

¹Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? ²He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. ³He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised, and we held him in low esteem. Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted. ⁵But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed. ⁶We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. ⁷He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so

he did not open his mouth.

⁸By oppression and judgment he was taken away. Yet who of his generation protested? For he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was punished. ⁹He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the LORD makes his life an offering for sin, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand. ¹¹After he has suffered, he will see the light of life and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities. ¹²Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Colossians 2:13-14

¹³When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, ¹⁴having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross.

Hebrews 10:10-13

¹⁰And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

¹¹Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹²But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³and since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool.

*HYMN

TFWS #2195

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

MESSAGE

Rev. Shon

O Love Divine, What Hast Thou Done