

Welcome

Wherever you are on your faith journey, we welcome you. God calls us to welcome all races and ethnicities, sexual orientations, gender identities, ages and stages of life, abilities and disabilities, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

Our Mission

We are a progressive, Christ-centered church focused on loving boldly and building hope through worship, education, service, and social justice.

Our Vision

With God's help, we will transform ourselves and our community through acts of unconditional love, the pursuit of justice, and a commitment to dignity and compassion for all.

Our Values Love boldly. Live curiously.
Serve compassionately.



Contemporary Worship Spotlight

An offering of gifts is taken the first Saturday of the month when we celebrate communion.

If you would be interested in reading scripture please contact Adele (adele@fumc-a2.org)

Upcoming Saturday Worship:

Mar 14 - LENT 4 - Rev. Dr. Nancy Lynn

Mar 21 - LENT 5 - Rev. Greg Lawton

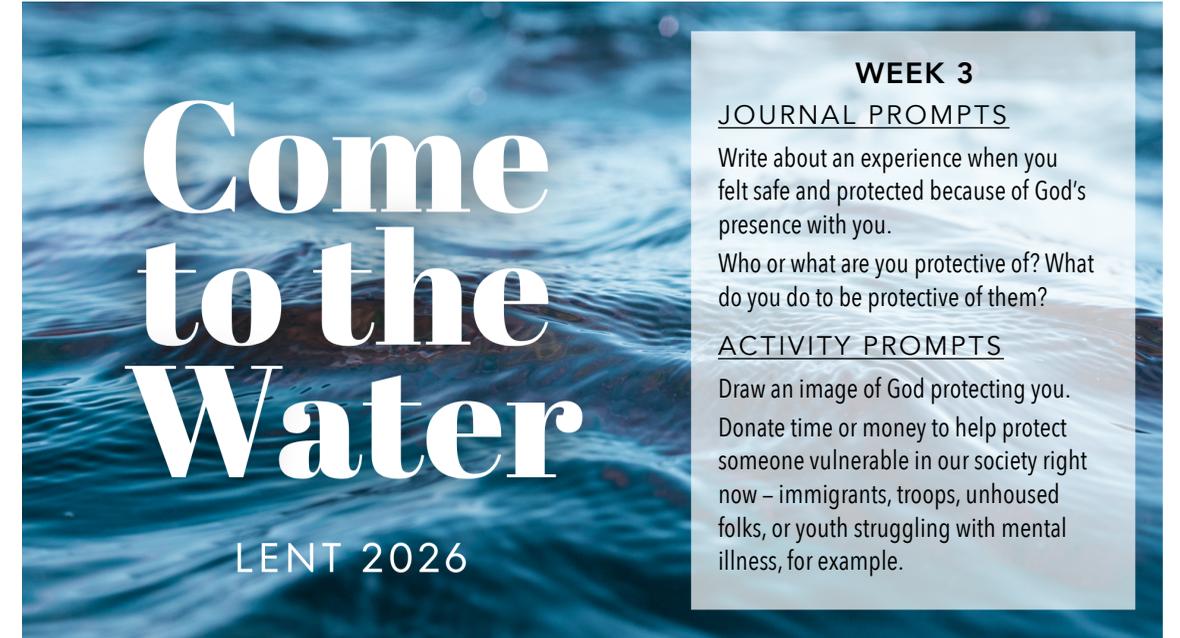
Mar 28 - LENT 6 - Rev. Dr. Nancy Lynn



Contemporary Worship

Green Wood Sanctuary at FUMC Ann Arbor

Saturday, March 7, 2026



WEEK 3

JOURNAL PROMPTS

Write about an experience when you felt safe and protected because of God's presence with you.

Who or what are you protective of? What do you do to be protective of them?

ACTIVITY PROMPTS

Draw an image of God protecting you.
Donate time or money to help protect someone vulnerable in our society right now – immigrants, troops, unhoused folks, or youth struggling with mental illness, for example.



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Church Center check-in is available to CC users

Opening Songs

"Living Water"

Are you thirsty? Are you empty?
Come and drink these Living Waters
Time unbroken, peace unspoken
Rest beside these Living Waters
Christ is calling, find refreshing
At the cross of Living Waters
Lay your life down, on Thee, all come
Rise up in these Living Waters

Chorus:

There's a river that flows with mercy and love
Bringing joy to the city of our God
There our hope is secure, do not fear anymore
Praise the Lord of Living Waters

Spirit moving, mercy washing
Healing in these living waters
Lead your children to the shore line
Life is in these Living Waters

(Chorus)

Are you thirsty, are you empty
Come and drink these Living Waters
Love, forgiveness vast and boundless
Christ, He is our Living Water

(Chorus)

Praise the Lord of Living Waters

“King of My Heart”

Let the King of my heart
be the mountain where I run
The fountain I drink from, Oh, He is my song
Let the King of my heart
be the shadow where I hide
The ransom for my life, Oh, He is my song

(Chorus)

You are good, good, oh oh
You are good, good, oh oh
You are good, good, oh oh
You are good, good, oh oh

And let the King of my heart
be the wind inside my sails
The anchor in the waves, Oh oh, He is my song
Let the King of my heart be the fire inside my veins
The echo of my days, Oh, He is my song

(Chorus)

You’re never gonna let, never gonna let me down
You’re never gonna let, never gonna let me down
You’re never gonna let, never gonna let me down
You’re never gonna let, never gonna let me down
(repeat)

(Chorus)

You’re never gonna let, never gonna let me down
You’re never gonna let, never gonna let me down
You’re never gonna let, never gonna let me down
You’re never gonna let, never gonna let me down

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

*We do not know what the week will bring—
But we trust the One who walks beside us.
We are not promised certainty—
But we are promised presence.
So we gather in hope—
And worship the God who holds tomorrow.*

Greeting Each Other

Special Music

Scripture Reading Exodus 14:10-29

As Pharaoh drew near, the Israelites looked back, and there were the Egyptians advancing on them. In great fear the Israelites cried out to the Lord. They said to Moses, “Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us, bringing us out of Egypt? Is this not the very thing we told you in Egypt, ‘Let us alone so that we can serve the Egyptians?’ For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness.” But Moses said to the people, “Do not be afraid, stand firm, and see the deliverance that the Lord

will accomplish for you today, for the Egyptians whom you see today you shall never see again. The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to keep still.”

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Why do you cry out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. But you lift up your staff and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the Israelites may go into the sea on dry ground. Then I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them, and so I will gain glory for myself over Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots, and his chariot drivers. Then the Egyptians shall know that I am the

Lord, when I have gained glory for myself over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his chariot drivers.”

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them, and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night and turned the sea into dry land, and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh’s horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord, in the pillar of fire and

cloud, looked down on the Egyptian army and threw the Egyptian army into a panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, “Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt.”

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.” So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Sermon *“Come to the Water: Protection”* Rev. Dr. Nancy Lynn

Special Music

Gathering at the Table

Time of Prayer & Lord’s Prayer

Closing Song *“Blue Boat Home”*

Tho below me, I feel no motion
Standing on these mountains and plains
Far away from the rolling ocean
Still my dry land heart can say
I’ve been sailing all my life now
Never harbor or port have I known
The wide universe is the ocean I travel
And the earth is my blue boat home

Sun, my sail and moon, my rudder
As I ply the starry sea
Leaning over the edge in wonder
Casting questions into the deep
Drifting here with my ships companions
All we kindred pilgrim souls
Making our way by the lights of the heavens
In our beautiful blue boat home

I give thanks to the waves upholding me
Hail the great winds urging me on
Greet the infinite sea before me
Sing the sky my sailors song
I was born upon the fathoms
Never harbor or port have I known
The wide universe is the ocean I travel
And the earth is my blue boat home
The wide universe in the ocean I travel
And the earth is my blue boat home

Blessing