

Open  
my  
hands  
Lord



Thank You God

Lent 2  
March 8, 2023  
First English Lutheran Church, Wapakoneta, OH

*We gather in silence for a time of reflection and prayer.*

## **Welcome**

### **Prelude**

*Adoration, by Mark Hayes*

### **Invocation**

**God be in my head, God be in my heart, God be on my left,  
and God be on my right. Amen.**

### **Opening Dialogue** *(Based on the commitment prayer, ELW, p. 86)*

Into your hands, almighty God, we place ourselves:

**Our minds to know you, our hearts to love you,  
our wills to serve you, for we are yours.**

Into your hands, incarnate Savior, we place ourselves:

**Receive us and draw us after you,  
that we may follow your steps.**

Into your hands, O hovering Spirit, we place ourselves:

**Take us and fashion us after your image;  
let your comfort strengthen us and your fire cleanse us.**

Into your hands, almighty God, we place ourselves:

**Gather us in your light eternal.**

### **Confession**

Pause & Reflect: What are your Highs and Lows?

Where have you witnessed Christ's Love?

Now, I invite you to turn to your neighbor and confess to them by asking the same questions?

### **Song**

*We Raise Our Hands to You, Verses 1,4 & 5 (ELW 690)*

## **Mark 6:1-6**

He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

## **Message**

*Vicar Deb Monnin*

## **Song**

*We Are an Offering 3x (ELW 692)*

## **Prayers**

*Makenzie*

Open my eyes, Lord. (*Point toward your eyes*)

Open my hands, Lord. (*Stretch out your hands*)

Open my ears, Lord. (*Point toward your ears*)

Open my heart, Lord. (*Place your hands over your heart*)

Open my life, Lord. (*Raise your arms up to God*) **Amen.**

## **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 and ever. Amen.**

## **Song**

*Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound, v1&2 (ELW 779)*

## **Blessing**

You are a Blessing to God and you are a Blessing to me. Amen



### **Lenten Worship Opportunities**

Noon Worship @ St. Joseph, Wapakoneta  
March 15, 22, 29

Evening Worship @ First English  
March 15, 22, 29 @ 7 p.m.

Maundy Thursday @ St. Mark's, Wapakoneta  
April 6 @ 7 p.m.

Good Friday @ First English  
April 7 @ 7 p.m.

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