

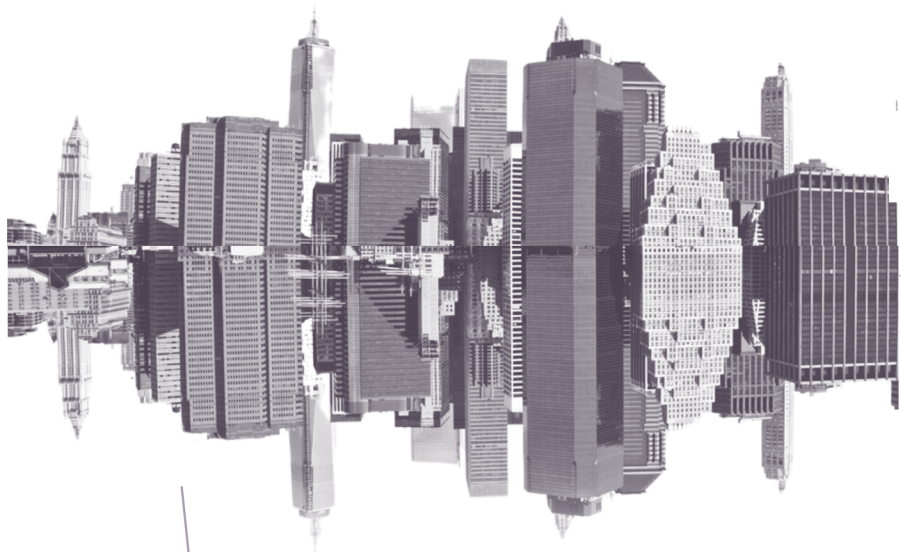
LUKE 15:1-10

**UPSIDE
DOWN
KINGDOM**

LENT 3 MARCH 23

**KINGDOM
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THE GOSPEL
OF LUKE**

11:30 GATHERING OF GRACE



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**WOMEN
DOWN
UPSIDE**
THE GOSPEL
OF LUKE

LENT 3 MARCH 23

11:30 GATHERING OF GRACE

please stand in body or spirit when you see an *

Welcome and Announcements

Mission Moment

UCC General Synod35

Michael Vollbrecht

*My Lord, What a Morning

**My Lord, what a morning
My Lord, what a morning
My Lord, what a morning
When the stars begin to fall**

**You'll hear the trumpet sounding
You'll hear the trumpet sounding
You'll hear the trumpet sounding
When the stars begin to fall**

**They'll wake the nations underground
They'll wake the nations underground
They'll wake the nations underground
When the stars begin to fall**

My Lord, what a morning...

*Passing of the Peace

*Invocation

*Gloria

**Glory to the Creator,
and the Christ and the Spirit so near,
as it was from the start,
so it shall be forever, one God, always here.**

Scripture Reading

Luke 15:1-10

Pew Bible NT pg. 78

Reader The Word of God for the people of God.
All Thanks be to God!

Word Through Music

Sermon

Rev. Michael Vollbrecht

Call to Offering

Mona Lisas and Mad Hatters

Elton John

Prayer of Dedication

*Plymouth Covenant *(Please, join in reading.)*

**In the love of truth and in the spirit of Jesus,
we unite for the worship of God, and the service of all.
We seek to know the will of God and to walk in God's ways,
made known or to be made known to us;
to love one another; to proclaim the Gospel to all the world;
to work and pray for the progress of knowledge,
the promotion of justice, the reign of peace,
and the realization of our shared humanity.
And we look with faith for the triumph of righteousness
and the gift of life eternal. Amen.**

Til it Shines

Bob Seger

People's Prayer

Respond after each petition with "**Lord, Hear Our Prayers.**"

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Creator, 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever. Amen.**

UPSIDE DOWN KINGDOM
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*I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit says Sing

I'm gonna sing* when the Spirit says sing,
I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says sing,
I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says sing,
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.

*Verse 2, **pray**

*Verse 3, **moan**

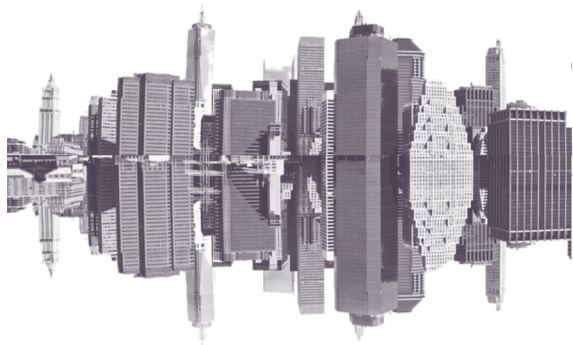
*Verse 4, **shout**

*Verse 5, **sing**

*Blessing

*Closing Song

God be with you 'til we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a Shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you 'til we meet again.



TODAY'S SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Preaching: Rev. Michael Vollbrecht
Liturgist: Rev. Dr. Valerie Miller-Coleman
Gathering of Grace Band: Pam Gibbs,
Arthur Dodge, Tom Holland, Patrick McCarty
Lay Reader: Angie Brownrabbit
Sound, Lights, and Radio: Phil Cauthon
Cameras and Video: Aaron Polson

coffee hour

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Welcome



New to Plymouth?
Please, let us know!

CHILI COOK OFF CALL FOR COOKS!

The Tulsa Service-Learning Trip team will be hosting our **Annual Chili Cook Off** fundraiser on April 4th at 6pm at Plymouth in the Mayflower Room.

We need Chili Cooks! You must fill out the form to participate as a cook in the Chili Cook Off competition. **Sign up by April 1st.**

If you are not able to cook, save the date to attend the Chili Cook Off and support our youth service-learning trip. May the best Chili Cook win!

Our high school youth and mentors are raising funds to partner again this year with "**Be The Neighbor.**" We are focusing on "**Race and Reconciliation**" in Tulsa, OK July 6th-12th.



More info on
Tulsa Trip



Chili Sign Up






CREATION CARE TREE



**THE CREATION CARE
TREE REMINDS US THAT
SMALL ACTS OF CARE
FOR THE EARTH MATTER.**

Please...

-  Take a paper leaf or blossom.
-  Write on it how you've practiced caring for creation this week.
-  Tie it to the tree.

We'll see our love of creation grow as Spring blooms on the tree! Watch this space for events and activities to help you grow your practice.



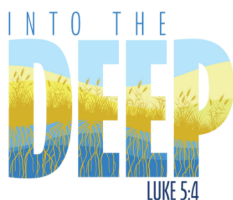
Easter Lilies

Pastors' Emergency Fund 2025
at Plymouth Congregational Church



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General Synod 35

July 11-15, 2025



GS35TEAM



Every two years faithful members of the United Church of Christ gather for General Synod – a time for inspirational worship, fellowship, and learning more about the U.S. and global ministries of our beloved community.

In July 2025, members of the Kansas-Oklahoma Conference, along with the Missouri Mid-South Conference, will welcome thousands from across the country for the UCC's 35th General Synod in Kansas City, Missouri.

We have volunteer needs in the areas of hospitality, worship, delegate and staff support, and more!

We are expecting around 3,000 guests, so this is our chance to showcase our Midwest hospitality. **Please consider volunteering!**

More information, volunteer shifts, and volunteer registration here!



Plymouth Children's Ministry

Welcome to the Gathering of Grace!

Children and youth are encouraged to worship with their families in this service.

Nursery services are available for infants, toddlers and Pre-K children in Room 205 South. We ask you to please bring your children to the nursery by 11:45!

There is also a family room for nursing parents in Room 204 South.

There are worship bags located on the north side of the narthex that are filled for activities and coloring pages for all ages!

If you are interested in learning more about our children's programs, please reach out! christianed@plymouthlawrence.com.

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