

March 15, 2026



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The Love-Sick Father

Isaiah 49:13-16a; Luke 15:11-32

Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner

Gathered at Federated Church: 76 Bell Street
Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

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Fourth Sunday of Lent

10 AM

Chimes indicate the service is starting, and silence is appreciated to prepare for worship.

Prelude Offertory from St. Cecelia Mass (C. Gounod) Marcia Snavely, organ

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner

Introit *God's Love is Alive in Us* (Mark Patterson) Federated Children's Choir;
Marcia Snavely, piano
Pat Haynish, Director

* **Call to Worship** Pete Bednar

One: God's reach is endless.
God's mercy is unstoppable.

**All: God's grace is lavish.
God's love is constant.**

One: God's wisdom is vast.
God's hope is stubborn.

**All: God's presence is here,
with us, among us, moving through us.**

One: Breathe easy. Breathe deeply.
We are in God's house.

All: Let us worship the One who welcomes us home.

* **Opening Hymn** *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* No. 16

Prayer of Invocation (in unison) Rev. Bagley-Bonner

The prodigal son isn't given a name, but we know his name. It sounds like ours. And we know his story. It sounds like ours. For who among us hasn't burned a bridge? Who among us hasn't forgotten that we belong to one another? Who among us has not ached for home? The prodigal son isn't given a name, but we know his name. Forgive us God. We want to come home.

Words of Forgiveness

Rev. Bagley-Bonner

Anthem

With One Heart (Mark Patterson)

Federated Children's Choir;
Marcia Snavelly, piano
Betsy Mast, flute
Pat Haynish, Director
Kathy Ohlrich, ASL coach

Message for the Young at Heart

Oliver Mason

* Passing of Christ's Peace

(Children through grade 8 are dismissed to Sunday School)

* Praise Response

Full to the Brim (Paul Demer)

[words on screen]

**Lord, your love is full to the brim; Lord, your love's a cup running over.
Lord, your loving heart is a river that rolls over us
And calls us to join in the stream. You call us to dream what you dream.**

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 49:13-16a; Luke 15:11-32

Pete Bednar

Sermon

The Love-Sick Father

Rev. Bagley-Bonner

Hymn of Response

When We Have Wandered

[words on screen]

Fellowship of Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Pete Bednar

Offering and Generosity Impact Moment

Rev. Bagley-Bonner

Offertory Music

Wonderful Words of Life (J. Raney)

Marcia Snavelly, organ

* Doxology

tune: BEECHER

**Lavish love, abundant beauty, gracious gifts for heart and hand,
Life that fills the soul and senses all burst forth at your command.
Lord eternal, great Creator, source of love, our God and friend,
Boundless pow'r gives full expression to your love which knows no end.**



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Closing Hymn

O God How We Have Wandered

[words on screen]

* **Benediction** (in unison)

Rev. Bagley-Bonner

We believe in a God who waits in the driveway for us.

We believe in a God who leaves the porch light on.

**We believe in a God who doesn't stop looking for us when we get lost,
and throws a feast when we are found.**

**We believe in a God of prodigal grace— excessive, extravagant, over-the-top
grace. In response to this grace, we hold tighter to God and to each other.**

**We remember that humans are not meant to go through life alone; so we look
for ways to welcome each other in, to live like we are family, and always to lead
with grace—**

We believe that this is our call. Let it be so. Amen

Postlude

Laudation (G. Martin)

Marcia Snively, organ

~ Departing to Service ~

UPCOMING WORSHIP

Sunday, March 22nd, 10 AM
Pastor Vicki McGaw preaches