

Historic White Marsh Church

March 22, 2026

Prelude Marjie Lampkin - Pianist

Hymn ~ 508 Love Lifted Me

Opening Prayer, Welcome and Announcements

Scripture Reading: John 13:34-35 & Colossians 3:12-14
Mike Nickerson

Hymn ~ 393 Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Prayer & Praise

Hymn ~ 495 Jesus Loves Even Me

Kids Talk Jean Bryan

Sermon: "Loved...Therefore Love" Pastor Brad

Hymn ~ 444 I Love to Tell the Story

Benediction & Postlude

Visitors:

Welcome to our church! Please complete the visitor card at your pew, then either give it to Pastor Brad or place it in the wooden offering box on the table at the church entrance.

Sunday: Bible Explorers at 9:45 AM & Worship at 11:00 AM
Wednesday: Pray for Schools at 5:30 PM & Bible Study: 6:00 PM

Loved, Therefore Love

1. God's Love Is the Source of Our Love (1 John 4:19)

We don't manufacture love—we receive it, then reflect it.

2. Jesus Commands Us to Love in Matthew 22:37-39

Love is not a feeling—it is action: patience, sacrifice, forgiveness, and service.

3. Jesus Commands Us to Love in John 13:34-35

The world recognizes Christ not by our words alone, but by our love.

4. Love Must Be Put on Daily (Colossians 3:12-14)

Love is something we intentionally "wear" in every interaction.

5. Love Is Costly—but Worth It

It may require forgiveness, humility, and sacrifice—but it reflects Christ and brings life.

6. Love Extends Beyond Comfort Zones

Christ-like love reaches across boundaries and toward difficult people. Love becomes real when it becomes personal.

7. Love Reflects the God Who Loved Us First

We don't love to earn God's approval—we love because we already have it.

Discussion Questions

1. Where in your life do you find it hardest to love others? How might drawing closer to God help restore your capacity to love in that situation?
2. What is one practical way you can love someone this week, "as Christ has loved you"—especially when it's inconvenient or uncomfortable?
3. If others judged Christianity only by how you love, what would they see and say? What is one area where God may be calling you to grow?
4. Which of the qualities in Colossians 3 (compassion, kindness, humility, patience, forgiveness) do you most need to "put on" right now—and what would that look like in a real situation?

Announcements for March 22, 2026:

Prayer for Schools. Join us at HWMC for prayer on Wednesday, March 25, at 5:30 p.m.

Bible Study & Prayer Meeting on Wednesday, March 25, at 6:00 p.m.

Palm Sunday Service on March 29 at 11:00 a.m.

Good Friday Service on April 3 at 7:00 p.m.

Resurrection (Easter) Sunrise Service followed by Breakfast: Sunday, April 5 at 6:45 a.m.

Resurrection (Easter) Sunday Service: April 5 at 11:00 a.m.



March Celebrations

Birthdays

Sandi Sutherland - March 3

Jesse Dize - March 8

Lisa Szumigala - March 15

Naomi Vaughan - March 18

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