

March 22, 2026



**Mission Statement: To Bring People to Christ
And Nurture Them in the Faith**



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Maxwell Methodist Church

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Pianist: Deb Mitchell

***Please stand if able**

Prelude. Deb Mitchell

Welcome/Announcements

We Worship as We Rejoice

The Praise Team

We Worship as We Gather

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

People: Lord, hear my voice and be attentive to my prayer.

Leader: Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life."

People: We come to worship the one who gives us eternal life.

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord of life and hope.

ALL: We lift our hearts to the one who breathes life into dry bones!

We Worship in Prayer

***Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

We Worship as in Song

*Hymn. "In Christ Alone".Hymnal #106

We Worship in Prayer

Praises and Requests

Silent Prayer / Pastoral Prayer / The Lord's Prayer

We Worship in Giving

Offering plates are at both doors as you enter or leave and will not be passed.

***Doxology / *Offertory Prayer**

We Worship by Hearing the Word

Psalm 130 (NIV)

A song of ascents

- ¹ Out of the depths I cry to you, LORD;
² Lord, hear my voice.
Let your ears be attentive
to my cry for mercy.
³ If you, LORD, kept a record of sins
Lord, who could stand?
⁴ But with you there is forgiveness
so that we can, with reverence, serve you.
⁵ I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits
and in his word I put my hope.
⁶ I wait for the Lord
more than watchmen wait for the morning,
more than watchmen wait for the morning.
⁷ Israel, put your hope in the LORD,
for with the LORD is unfailing love
and with him is full redemption.
⁸ He himself will redeem Israel
from all their sins.

John 11:32-45 (NIV)

³² When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."

³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. ³⁴ "Where have you laid him?" he asked.

"Come and see, Lord," they replied.

³⁵ Jesus wept.

³⁶ Then the Jews said, "See how he loved him!"

³⁷ But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Jesus Raises Lazarus From the Dead

³⁸ Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. ³⁹ "Take away the stone," he said.

"But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days."

⁴⁰ Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?"

⁴¹ So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I

said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me.”

⁴³ When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face.

Jesus said to them, “Take off the grave clothes and let him go.”

The Plot to Kill Jesus

⁴⁵ Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

We Worship in Song

Hymn. “Grace Alone” Black Book #2162

We Worship in Learning the Word

Sermon. “Come Out From That Grave” Pastor Rob Bacon

We Worship as in Song

*Hymn. “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me” . . . Black Book #2153

*Benediction

Postlude. Deb Mitchell



Announcements

- **Pastor’s Office Hours** : By appointment. Rob 515-460-8885; Carol 515-460-8969
- **Bulletin Announcements**: Please forward bulletin announcements to office@maxwellmc.org by Wednesday.
- **Fellowship Sign-up**: Please sign up to bring refreshments for fellowship time.
- **SSNOW**: Wednesday from 6:00 – 7:30 pm
- **Babes Bible Study**: Thursday @ 6:30 pm
- **March 22**: Youth Group Activity TBD
- **March 23 @ 9:00 am**: Volunteer Sewing Group
- **March 28 @ 8:30 am**: Men’s Breakfast
- **April 12**: Ad Council following worship