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'Love Indeed, is the Greatest of These!'

*Hammond First United Methodist Church
6635 Hohman Avenue Hammond, IN 46324
(219) 932-5915 www.hammondfumc.org
Worship **8:30** and 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
February 3, 2019
Reverend Mary van Wijk, lead pastor
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Call to Worship *(Ministry Matters, Jeremiah 1, Psalm 71, 1 Corinthians 13, Luke 4)*

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Leader: We come to hear your voice of affirmation; we come to hear your voice calling us to be and do what you have called us to be and do.

People: Let this time of worship quiet our fears, soothe our bruised souls, and energize us for ministry in and with your beloved world.

Leader: Let faith abide.

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People: here in our community, here in our world,

All: but most of all, here in us. Amen.

* **Opening Hymn** *The Gift of Love* UMH 408

* **Lighting of the Paschal Candle in Memory of Linda Kay Espey Sohl**

Prayer Hymn *This Is My Father's World vv1-2* UMH 144

Morning and Pastoral Prayer

Receiving of the Gifts

Offertory

* Sung Response *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 95

* Prayer of Dedication

Reading of the Word

A New Testament Reading *1 Corinthians 13:1-13*

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The Message *'Love Indeed, is the Greatest of These!'* Pastor Mary

Service of Holy Communion

Communion Hymn *Come Sinners to the Gospel Feast* UMH 616

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Ushers: Jerry & Vera Vestal

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Children's Time

Pat Mosley

Following Children's Time, the children may return to the pews with their families, there is no Junior Church today. Younger children, birth through kindergarten, are very welcome in the Nursery. *Terrific* activity bags are available at the Welcome Center.

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