ORDER OF WORSHIP
Sunday, February 4, 2018
Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

ENTRANCE
The people come together in the Lord's name.

PRELUDE
THE LIGHT OF CHRIST AMONG US
CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *Surely the Presence of the Lord*

*CALL TO WORSHIP
One: How wonderful it is to sing our praises to God!
All: Praise the Lord who gathers us together.
One: God's mercy is given generously to all in need.
All: We are never out of the reach of God's love.
One: Come, worship and celebrate. God is reaching out to you this day!
All: Praise be to God who continually heals and forgives us!

*OPENING PRAYER
Powerful God, from the very beginning you blessed creation. You have loved and shielded your people through all joys and trials of life. We come to you this morning, rejoicing in the many blessings you have given to us. We open our hearts again to hear your word for us and to gather strength and joy for service in your world. Be with us and bless us today! Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE	*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*	UMH 110
A SEASON OF PRAYER		
HYMN OF PRAYER	*I Love You, Lord*	TFWS 2068
PASTORAL PRAYER		
CHORAL RESPONSE	*Threefold Amen*	

PROCLAMATION
The Scriptures are opened to the people.

CHILDREN'S SERMON	*Where's Jesus?*	
ANTHEM	*Give Me Jesus*	arr. Robert Sterling
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION		
SCRIPTURE	Isaiah 40:21-31	OT 632
	1 Corinthians 9:16-23	NT 158
SERMON	*Where They Are*	

RESPONSE
The people respond with acts of commitment and faith.

*LITANY OF FAITH
One: Do you see the wonders of God's creation?
All: Life is moving too fast. We don't have time to waste.
One: Do you know the magnificent love of God?
All: We know what we need.
One: Do you see the needs of others?
All: Our own needs dominate our lives.
One: Do you need to be healed?
All: We are fine, just as we are!
One: Really? Have you reached out to others in compassion offering healing and hope?
All: Sometimes.
One: Have you dared to admit your need for God's love?
All: To admit to a need is to make ourselves vulnerable.
One: Become vulnerable to God. In Jesus Christ, God became vulnerable to the world.
All: We could be hurt.
One: God will heal you.
All: We could be lost and frightened.
One: God will find you and give you comfort.
All: We could become downtrodden and weak.
One: God will lift you up and strengthen you, for that is God's way of loving.
All: Thanks be to God who will walk with us, heal and protect us.

INVITATION, CONFESSION, PARDON		UMH 12
PASSING OF THE PEACE		
OFFERING		
Offertory	*Lord, I Want to be a Christian*	Brian Glyncannon
*Doxology		UMH 95
*Dedication of the Offering		
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING		UMH 13
THE LORD'S PRAYER		UMH 895

HOLY COMMUNION
Gifts left on the altar during Communion are designated to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund and are used to address urgent needs in our church family and community.

SENDING FORTH
The people are sent into ministry with the Lord's blessing.

*HYMN OF PROMISE	*Make Me a Captive, Lord*	UMH 421
*THE LIGHT OF CHRIST GOES FORTH		
*BENEDICTION	*On Eagles' Wings*	UMH 143
*POSTLUDE		

* = Please stand as you are able.
NT = New Testament, OT = Old Testament
TFWS = The Faith We Sing, UMH = United Methodist Hymnal
A fully staffed and stocked nursery is available for your convenience.
Also, the rocking chairs in the Sanctuary are for rocking your little ones.
Please ask an usher if you need any assistance.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given with love to the glory and praise of Almighty God and in memory of my parents, Nathan and Emily Jernigan by Robert and Ellen Jernigan.

THE ROSE ON THE ALTAR is in honor of the birth of Lily Elizabeth Woodyard, born January 31, 2018. Lily is the daughter of Rob Woodyard and Elizabeth Bethea Woodyard and granddaughter of Hank and Barbara Bethea. Lily is also the sister of big brother, Aiden.

SUPPORTING THE CHURCH

BY OUR PRAYERS…

Unless otherwise requested, prayer requests remain on this list for thirty days. We have an active prayer chain. If you have need for immediate prayer, please call the church office or Joanne Taylor at 910-892-7034.

Theodore Aguilere
Lou Allred
Irma Apel
Mary Lemuel Blalock
Chris Byrd
Kim Byrd
Wilma Byrd and Family
Larry Carmichael
Gordon Clapp
Polly Clapp
Family of Burnie Collins
Nancy Cooper
James Cooper
Susan Crooks
Brandon Eaton
Elliott Gifford
Rick Grossman
Sarah Herring
Susan Horton
Anne Johnson
Brenda Johnson
Ida Lawrence
Janice Lever
Gerald Medlin
Janice Medlin
Rochelle Pope
Jim Schmidlin and Family
Sherrell Taylor and Family
Nancy Thomas
Kinsley Vann
Dollye Walters
Irvin Warren
Terry Waterbury
Vickie West
Jack Woodrow

BY OUR PRESENCE AND GIFTS 1/28/17…

Sunday School Attendance	19	Offering Received	$ 3,127.00
Worship Attendance	78	Weekly Cash Needs	$ 7,369.29

Given In Love and Memory

Anabel Carter
Craig and Huntsie Strickland

James Bond
Harvey Eldridge
Mike and Cherry Ennis
Larry and Peggy Johnson
Herman and Linda Medlin

Barbara Bynum
Jim and JoCarol Allen
Laurie Bynum
J. L. Coats
Daniel and Valarie Cozart
Sharon Hundley
Larry and Peggy Johnson
Bob and Peggy Jones
Lucknow Garden Club
Mariah Rabb
Peggy Sauls
Craig and Huntsie Strickland
Robert and Sue Tysinger

BY OUR SERVICE AND WITNESS…

		Serving This Week		*Serving Next Week*
ACOLYTE	Feb 4	Beth Cowling	Feb 11	Grace Wilson
ALTAR FLOWERS	Feb 4	Robert Jernigan	Feb 11	Brenda Johnson
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Feb 4	Hope Tyndall Lauren Walker	Feb 11	Samantha Butts Lois Dail
FINANCE	Feb 4	Jim Schmidlin	Feb 11	Jim Schmidlin
GREETERS	Feb 4	Bob Johnson Mickey and Nina Hollingsworth	Feb 11	Carroll and Wilma Byrd Dennis and Patricia Hollowell
NURSERY	Feb 4	Susie Creel	Feb 11	Martha Smith
YOUTH VOLUNTEERS	Feb 4	Cindy Coats	Feb 11	Open
	Feb 7	Samantha Butts	Feb 14	Ash Wednesday Service

		Serving This Month		*Serving Next Month*
ALTAR GUILD	Feb	Kathy Gower, Suzanne Wood	Mar	Kathy Bond, Laura Brewer
LITURGIST	Feb	Craig Strickland	Mar	Gary Ronnfeldt
USHERS	Feb	Richard Bond, Mark Brannon, Whit Brewer, Open	Mar	Harold Butts, Pete Bynum, Jerry Callahan, Open

A Place to…Belong…Believe…Become

February 4, 2018

RISE UP: FOCUS

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