

Sunday, March 1, 2020  
 First Sunday in Lent  
 ORDER OF WORSHIP

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**ENTRANCE**  
*Come together in the Lord's name.*

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**PRELUDE**

**THE LIGHT OF CHRIST AMONG US**

**CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP**      *Speak, O Lord*      Getty/Townend

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

- One: Lord Jesus, Lent calls us to journey, this and every day, following you wherever you lead us.
- All: Lent calls us to journey: to the place where God covenants with us, to receive the new names we are given.**
- One: Lent calls us to worship together, to tell future generations the good news.
- All: Lent calls us to practice justice, to bring your hope to all people.**
- One: Lent calls us to faithful living, to trust the One who gives us life.
- All: Lent calls each of us to take up our cross, to trust the One who bears it with us.**
- One: Lent calls us to journey with you, Almighty God.
- All: As you walk with us, help us to use this season of Lent to examine our attachments and to sense where you invite us to live more simply and deeply. Shine the light of your love into the private corners of our lives where we have acquired so much clutter that it has begun to restrict our freedom.**
- One: Grant us the strength to free ourselves from appetites and needs that drive us into taking, having and wanting more than we need or have time for. Teach us that in letting go we become free, rather than deprived, generous rather than covetous, and spacious rather than restricted.
- All: We offer you our Lenten observance, and today we place our feet on the road to Easter, and walk the Way that you have walked before us. Amen.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**      *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days*      UMH 269

**RESPONSIVE READING**      Psalm 32      UMH 766

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**PROCLAMATION**  
*Listen as the Scriptures are opened.*

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**SCRIPTURE**      Matthew 4:1-11      NT 3

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**      *Spectacular*

**ANTHEM**      *Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone*      Tomlin/Giglio

**SCRIPTURE**      Romans 5:12-19      NT 143

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SERMON**      *Desensitized*

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**RESPONSE**

*Respond with acts of commitment and faith.*

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**COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS**

**HYMN OF PRAYER**      *Lamb of God*      TFWS 2113

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON**      UMH 12

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**OFFERING**

- Offertory**      *Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed*      arr. Anne Marie David
- \*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 to address urgent needs in our church and community.

- Communion Hymns:      *Here Is Bread, Here Is Wine*      TFWS 2266
- As We Gather at Your Table*      TFWS 2268
- Come, Share the Lord*      TFWS 2269

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**SENDING FORTH**

*Go into ministry with the Lord's blessing.*

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**\*HYMN OF PROMISE**      *Grace Greater than our Sin*      UMH 365

**\*THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD**

**\*BLESSING**

**\*CHORAL BENEDICTION**      *Amen*      Getty/Townend

**\*POSTLUDE**

\* = Please stand as you are able.

OT = Old Testament      UMH = United Methodist Hymnal  
 NT = New Testament      TFWS = The Faith We Sing

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 to the glory of God Almighty and in honor of Pastor Beth Gaines and Family for all they do to make this a wonderful house of worship by Ric and Dava Anderson.

**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.

Chuck Allen	Wilma Byrd	Lin Ferrell	Nonie Roberson
Lou Allred	Jerry Callahan	Elliott Gifford	Janice Scherpereel
Irma Apel	Doc Carmichael	Family of Jean Godwin	Nancy Thomas
Roger Babbitt	Judy Chencharick	Jimmy Goodman	Irvin Warren
James Best	Julia Cooper	Alton Gower	John Willoughby
Bill Blackwood	Nancy Cooper	Anne Johnson	Family of Blount Whiteside
Olivia Bullock	James Cooper	Peggy Johnson	Jennett Whiteside
Shirley Buvens	Bill Creighton	Ida Lawrence	Ronnie Wood
Kim Byrd	Lois Dail and Family	Ed Matthews	Suzanne Wood
Walter Byrd	Joyce Draughon	Carmen McCorkle	

**BY OUR PRESENCE AND GIFTS 2/23/20...**

Sunday School Attendance	24	Offering Received	\$ 2,271.00
Sunday Worship Attendance	64	Weekly Cash Needs	\$ 6,721.03
Wednesday Worship Attendance	37		

**On-line Giving is Available on our Church Website**

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A memorial for **Suebelle Jackson** has been given by Edith Sessoms.

Memorials for **Blount Whiteside, Jr.** have been given by Carroll and Wilma Byrd, Patsy Coats, Derek and Julie Easter, The Friendship Sunday School Class, Virginia Marshall, Edith Sessoms, Paul Stone, and James and Marlena Yates.

**SERVICE AND WITNESS...**

		<i>Serving This Week</i>		<i>Serving Next Week</i>
ACOLYTE	Mar 1	Open	Mar 8	Gavin Tyndall
ALTAR FLOWERS	Mar 1	Dava Anderson	Mar 8	Open
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Mar 1	Julie Malcolm	Mar 8	Cathy Cowling
FINANCE	Mar 1	Harold Butts	Mar 8	Rhett Raynor
NURSERY	Mar 1	Ehren Whitmore	Mar 8	Sharon Perry
YOUTH VOLUNTEER			Mar 8	Cathy Cowling
		<i>Serving This Month</i>		<i>Serving Next Month</i>
ALTAR GUILD	Mar	Kathy Bond	Apr	Willie Ferrell
		Laura Brewer		Gail Goodman
LITURGIST	Mar	Dava Anderson	Apr	Craig Strickland
USHERS	Mar	Harold Butts	Apr	Don Butler
		Samantha Butts		Ricky Hardison
		Joanne Taylor		Rudy King
		Sherrell Taylor		Steve Perry



*A Place to... Belong... Believe... Become*

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