

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Sunday, March 10, 2019
First Sunday in Lent

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

PRELUDE

THE LIGHT OF CHRIST AMONG US

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: For some of us, it was tempting to "sleep in" this morning.

All: But God has called us to this place, to hear God's word, to open our hearts in prayer and praise, and to seek direction for our lives.

One: There are many temptations placed in front of us. We are called to be strong and place our trust in God.

All: God is always faithful to us, comforting, guiding, lifting us.

One: Let us pray...

*OPENING PRAYER

Lord, the temptations of the world loom large before us. We are enticed, cajoled, and "sweet-talked" into moving from lives of service to lives of self-centeredness. We need your healing love. As you resisted the temptations in the wilderness, help us to place our trust in you, that we may be strong in our faith and confident in our service to you through serving others. Amen.

*HYMN *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* UMH 269

COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

HYMN *What Wondrous Love Is This* UMH 292

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

CHORAL AMEN *Threefold Amen*

PROCLAMATION
The Scriptures are opened to the people.

SCRIPTURE Luke 4:1-13 NT 56

CHILDREN'S SERMON *Getting Hooked*

ANTHEM *When I Return* arr. Jay Althouse

SCRIPTURE Romans 10:8b-13 NT 147

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON *God's Generous Heart*

RESPONSE

The people respond with acts of commitment and faith.

RESPONSIVE PRAYER

One: In the quiet of this moment, in the stillness of this place, draw near to us, O God.

All: As we seek the shelter of your refuge, as we celebrate the bounty of your provision, hearken to our need, Holy One. Transform this time and place into our land of milk and honey – a land where you are among us, a land where your mighty hand and your outstretched arm protect us, a land where you alone are worthy of our worship and service. We ask this in the saving name of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

Offertory

The Palms

arr. Vivian Vevenger

*Doxology

UMH 95

*Dedication of the Offering

SENDING FORTH

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

*HYMN *Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed* UMH 359

*THE LIGHT OF CHRIST GOES FORTH

*BLESSING

*BENEDICTION *Christ Beside Me* TFWS 2166

Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, King of my heart;
Christ within me, Christ below me, Christ above me never to part.

*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 to the glory and praise of God Almighty and in loving memory of my parents by John Curtis.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Psalms 91:1-2, 9-16

Romans 10:8b-13

Luke 4:1-13

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

Psalms 27

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Luke 13:31-35, Luke 9:28-36, (37-43a)

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.

Lou Allred	Dianne Callahan	Tanya Giles	Dollye Walters
Ric Anderson	Jerry Callahan	Jimmy Goodman	Irvin Warren
Irma Apel	Larry (Doc) Carmichael	Alton Gower	Vickie West
Becky Barbee	Nancy Cooper	Susan Horton	John Willoughby
James Best	James Cooper	Sharon Hundley	Mary Lou Winchester and family
Suzie Biggs	John Curtis	Anne Johnson	Ronnie Wood
Bill Blackwood	Lin Ferrell	Ida Lawrence	
Hayes Boykins	Beth Gaines and Family	Family of Johnsie Markham	
Family of Rose Buck	Elliott Gifford	Grayson Scott	
Kim Byrd	Joe Giles	Nancy Thomas	

BY OUR PRESENCE AND GIFTS 3/3/19...

Sunday School Attendance	27	Offering Received	\$ 5,394.81
Worship Attendance	75	Weekly Cash Needs	\$ 7,047.52

Memorials for **Nita Bennett** and **Erin Pickel** have been given by Ronnie and Suzanne Wood.

BY OUR SERVICE...

		<i>This Week</i>		<i>Next Week</i>
ACOLYTE	Mar 10	Haven Lucas	Mar 17	Brady Wilson
ALTAR FLOWERS	Mar 10	John Curtis	Mar 17	Dava Anderson
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Mar 10	Samantha Butts	Mar 17	Martha Smith
FINANCE	Mar 10	Open	Mar 17	Open
GREETERS	Mar 10	Dennis and Patricia Hollowell Brian and Lauren Walker	Mar 17	Open
NURSERY	Mar 10	Cindy Coats	Mar 17	Ligon Holder
YOUTH VOLUNTEER	Mar 10	Cindy Coats	Mar 17	Jim and Kim Schmidlin
	Mar 13	Calvin and Georganna Gaines	Mar 20	Calvin and Georganna Gaines
		<i>This Month</i>		<i>Next Month</i>
ALTAR GUILD	Mar	Kathy Bond	Apr	Willie Ferrell
		Laura Brewer		Gail Goodman
LITURGIST	Mar	Gary Ronnfeldt	Apr	Craig Strickland
USHERS	Mar	Pete Bynum, Charlie Crumpler Jeff Malcolm, Jim Allen	Apr	Al Gower, Larry Johnson
				Open



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

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