

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Sunday, April 15, 2018
 Third Sunday of Easter
 Native American Ministries Sunday

ENTRANCE

The people come together in the Lord's name.

PRELUDE

THE LIGHT OF CHRIST AMONG US

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *Heleluyan* UMH 78

*OPENING PRAYER

One: As we come together, let us settle into stillness.

All: Slowly, ever so slowly, we center our minds and our hearts.
 (Silent Prayer)

One: Let your cares and your weariness fall away. Enter deeply into silence.

All: We are one with the universe, one with the sun and the stars, one with the One who is Mystery, who created the heavens and the earth.
 (Silent Prayer)

One: Like the sun that is far away and yet close at hand to warm us, so God's Spirit is ever present and around us.

All: Come Creator into our lives. We live and move and have our very being in you. Open now the windows of our souls.
 (Silent Prayer)

One: May the warm winds of heaven blow softly on our house.

All: May the Great Spirit bless all who enter here. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE *Thine Be the Glory* UMH 308

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

HYMN OF PRAYER *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee* UMH 175

ACT OF CENTERING

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

CHORAL RESPONSE *Threefold Amen*

PROCLAMATION

The Scriptures are opened to the people.

SCRIPTURE Acts 3:12-19 NT 112

CHILDREN'S SERMON *Mission Impossible*

ANTHEM *We Walk By Faith* Henry Alford

SCRIPTURE 1 John 3:1-7 NT 219

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON *Mrs. Eleanor's Tambourine*

RESPONSE

The people respond with acts of commitment and faith.

*PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT UMH 329

OFFERING *Whispering Spirit* arr. Robert Constas
 Offertory UMH 95
 *Doxology
 *Dedication of the Offering

SENDING FORTH

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

*HYMN OF PROMISE *God of the Ages* UMH 698

*THE LIGHT OF CHRIST GOES FORTH

*BENEDICTION
 Before us it is blessed, behind us it is blessed, below us it is blessed, above us it is blessed, around us it is blessed as we set out with Christ. Our speech is blessed as we set out for God. With beauty before us, with beauty behind us, with beauty below us, with beauty above us, with beauty around us, we set out for a holy place indeed. Amen.

*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 assistance.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the glory and praise of Almighty God and in celebration of Kim Schmidlin on her April 18 birthday by her loving family, Jim, Elizabeth, Morgan, Reagan, Ashlyn and Quinn.

Native American Ministries Sunday

By using the envelope enclosed with this bulletin, your gift today will equip seminary students who will honor and celebrate Native American culture in their ministries. Your support also empowers congregations that are finding fresh new ways to minister to their communities with the love of Christ. Throughout the service today, may you be blessed by the Cherokee, Navajo, Lakota, Canadian Indian and Native American resources used to flavor our worship.

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	James Cooper	Sarah Herring	Nancy Thomas
Lou Allred	Susan Crooks	Susan Horton	Kinsley Vann
Irma Apel	Charlie Crumpler, Jr.	Family of Adeana James	Dollye Walters
Mary Lemuel Blalock	John Curtis	Anne Johnson	Irvin Warren
Kim Byrd	Brandon Eaton	Larry Johnson and Family	Terry Waterbury
Walter and Susie Byrd and Family	Harvey Eldridge	Ida Lawrence	Vickie West
Wilma Byrd	Beth Gaines and Family	Janice Lever	Debra Winstead
Larry Carmichael	Elliott Gifford	Mitchell Parson	Ashley Woodrow
Nancy Cooper	Joe Giles	Rochelle Pope	
	Rick Grossman	Barry Snipes	



BY OUR PRESENCE AND GIFTS 4/8/18...

Sunday School Attendance	24	Offering Received	\$ 4,779.00
Worship Attendance	93	Weekly Cash Needs	\$ 7,369.29

A memorial for **Frances Herndon** has been given by Jim and Kim Schmidlin.

A memorial for **Adeana James** has been given by Carroll and Wilma Byrd.

A memorial for **Charles Johnson** has been given by Patsy Coats.

A memorial for **Don Schmidlin** has been given by Carroll and Wilma Byrd.

BY OUR SERVICE AND WITNESS...

		<i>Serving This Week</i>			<i>Serving Next Week</i>
ACOLYTE	Apr 15	Christian Spell	Apr 22	Grace Wilson	
ALTAR FLOWERS	Apr 15	Jim Schmidlin	Apr 22	Carroll Byrd	
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Apr 15	Caroline Wilson	Apr 22	Martha Smith	
		Joyce Draughon		Rhonda McLamb	
FINANCE	Apr 15	Rudy King	Apr 22	Open	
GREETERS	Apr 15	Carroll and Wilma Byrd	Apr 22	Martha Smith	
		Mike and Cherry Ennis		Open	
NURSERY	Apr 15	Edna Peterson	Apr 22	Quinn Schmidlin	
YOUTH VOLUNTEERS	Apr 15	Cathy Cowling	Apr 22	Caroline Wilson	
		<i>Serving This Month</i>			<i>Serving Next Month</i>
ALTAR GUILD	Apr	Willie Ferrell,	May	Dava Anderson,	
		Gail Goodman		Mary Lou Winchester	
LITURGIST	Apr	Craig Strickland	May	Gary Ronnfeldt	
USHERS	Apr	Jim Allen, Open,	May	Bob Johnson, Rudy King,	
		Al Gower, Open		Herman Medlin, Open	

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

April 15, 2018

In the Name of Jesus:
Faith that Makes Us Strong
(Sermon Series)

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