

Welcome to



7 April 2019

Fifth Sunday in Lent

May God who gathers us around Himself in the Word and Sacrament to bless us with His forgiveness this morning be your source of comfort, strength and renewal as you worship today. In the Name of Christ, we are all called to come and hear that the Lord is Good!

Prelude – *Preparing our Souls through silence, reading and reflection*

Announcements – *Sharing our life together*

Invocation and Confession – *Entering into the Presence of the Lord*

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:19) C: Amen

P: Make us to know your ways, O Lord, and teach us your paths. Lead us in your truth and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation; for whom we wait. (Psalm 25:4-5) C: Amen

P: If we say we have fellowship with God while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not live according to the truth; but if we walk in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin. (1 John 1:6-7)

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love.

C: According to your abundant mercy, blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us. Cast us not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and uphold us with a willing spirit. Amen (Psalm 51:1-2, 10-12)

P: Let it be known to you, that through Jesus Christ, the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. (1 John 1:6-7) He commanded us to preach and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

(Acts 10:42-43) C: Amen

Choral Call to Worship

Call to Worship – Psalm 85 p. 806

Announcements and Schedule

Studies this Week:

Tuesday – 7:00pm Bible Study – I Peter

Wednesday – 5:00pm – Choir practice - Sanctuary

6:30pm – Men's Group – White House **

This week the Men's Group will be going to a HillCat's game

Thursday – 10:15am – I Peter – Fellowship Hall

We have been blessed for several years with the presence, gifts and work of Andrew Foster. But Andrew is graduating on 11 May and moving from our area. We will be having a special reception 28 April after the morning service to honor him and celebrate his graduating. Please plan to attend and wish Andrew our best!

The Church has hired Mona Thomas to as Pianist, Organist and Choir Director. Mona has decades of experience in churches and teaching at Randolph College. She is eager to expand our music program and increase children and special programs. Choir practices will move to Thursday evenings and therefore the Bible Study on Thursdays will move to Tuesday evenings, still at 7:00pm. We are excited to bring Mona on-board.

Our ability to hire Mona was made possible by Jon Williams offer to step aside from his paid role. But don't fear – he's not going anywhere! He will still be around and participating as a volunteer. We have been blessed so much by Jon from the beginning and his heart for Ministry has, and will, bless us.

Easter Schedule:

April 14 - Palm Sunday – 11:00 Morning Worship

April 18 – Maundy Thursday – Love Feast – 7:00pm

April 20 – FUMC Easter Egg Hunt – 10:am– Sign up sheet at back table

April 21 – Easter Sunrise Service with FUMC – 7:00am

** Covered dish breakfast to follow. Sign up sheet at back table.

April 21 – Celebration of Resurrection Service – 11:00a

** w/ Flowering of the Cross (please bring cut flowers)

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*Hymn – # 89 “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Him”

First Lesson – Isaiah 43.16-21

Prayer Hymn – # 314 “In the Garden”

Pastoral Prayer (followed by the Lord's Prayer in unison)

Second Lesson – Philippians 3.1-14

Offertory

*Doxology – #95

*Gospel – John 12.1-8

Our response is, “**Praise be to thee, O Christ**”

Sermon

Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Unending Hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Mystery of Faith: **Christ has died; Christ is Risen; Christ will come again.**

Receiving the Body and Blood of Christ

*Hymn – # 77 “How Great Thou Art”

*Benediction

*Choral Response

*Dismissal and Recessional

Prayer List

Tom Langford, Bill Warman, Carolyn Ashwell, Barbara Kurtz, Juniper Noyes, JoEllen & Wayne Shafer, Pat Day, June Sommers, Bill Wingfield, Greg Marsh, Don Gifford (Jim Burns' brother in law), Terrell Salmon, John Wright, Betty Lou Hall, Liz Griffin, Larry Shepley, Avonna Grace, June Weeks, -and our missionaries, the Arrington's.

Kandance (Judy's grand daughter) who is pregnant & has kidney stones

Jack Jeffers, Agnes' cousin in Colorado

Jim Newman

Dot Flanik, recuperating at home

Lorraine Shepley awaiting results

Linda Shiflet, Barry's cousin, with non-Hodgkins lymphoma.

Gretchen Wright-broken leg

Ellie Marks, doing well; even went to a formal dance.

Taylor Harlow

Ken Towler, lymphoma

R.C. North, friends of Carey Griffin

Robert Wright's father

Allen, friend of Kelly's, in critical need of a kidney transplant.

Trisha Driskill, recovering from a stroke

Frank Patrick in your prayers as his cancer may have returned.

David Douthat, good friend of Dave Mason's stepdad

Marie Coates, Sue Rossiter's sister, at Heartland

Kathy Stark, friend of Gail's mom, Stage 4 Lymphoma

Carey's great nephew, John.

Little Emmielou, Carey's niece

Rosanna Tropp, Rick and Dawn's daughter in law,

Cassidy Richardson, 14 year old daughter of a friend of Carey's, with cancer.

Dave Johnson, co-worker's friend of Terry Minor, heart complications

Kim Harmin, friend of Dawn's, muscular issues

Adam Burns, Dawn's nephew, at sea.

Betty and Harold Shepherd, friends of Martha Mahanes

Requested by Dot Flanik children Kim Blaum & Erik Blaum, PTSD

Requested by Barbara Kurtz Michele Karras, a friend with ALS

Requested by Glenn and Ruth Harvey

Sharron Powell, stage 4 cancer Lisa Reynolds Farley Bomar

Requested by Agnes Lowry-Campbell Barbara Brown; Bill & Nancy

Coursey Sylvia Johnson Barbara

Hackett, cancer

Requested by Tom Gough

Bill and Ann Smith