

The Worship of God

March 18, 2018 – 5th Sunday in Lent

Gathering

Sounding of the Trinity

Prelude

Deep Within I Will Plant My Law

Haas/Tate

As the prelude begins, let us prepare silently for worship.

Ritual of Friendship (Please pass the Fellowship Pad)

Concerns and Celebrations

Call to Worship (from Psalm 51 and Jeremiah 31)

One: The Lord is merciful and gracious.

All: Slow to anger and abounding in love.

One: The Lord makes a new covenant with us.

All: We are God's people; the Lord is our God.

+ Introit

O God, Our Faithful God

Chancel Choir

*Opening Prayer

*Hymn #63

The Lord Is God

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (From *Call to Worship* - Year B)

God our Redeemer, we confess that we are people of ashes and dust. You write your law in our hearts, yet we pretend we do not know you. You lifted up Christ for all to see, yet we turn away from your glory. Forgive us, God of grace. Teach us to delight in your way, to seek you with all our hearts, and to trust in your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Assurance of God's Pardon

**The Gloria Patri*

Hymn #581

The Offering

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Farlee

**The Doxology* Hymn #223 – last verse of *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

*Prayer of Dedication

The Word

+Conversation with the Children

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm Reading

Psalm 51:1-12

8:30

Broken and Spilled Out (Gaither)

Lorraine Kazan

+Anthem

A Pure Heart (Courtney)

Chancel Choir

Gospel Reading

John 12:20-33

Sermon

“Love Your Life”

Rev. John Causey

Response to the Word

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Page 35 of Hymnal

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Sending

*Hymn #824

There Is a Place of Quiet Rest

*Charge and Benediction

+Choral Response

Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing

Chancel Choir

Postlude

*Those who are able, please stand

+ 11:00 Worship Service only

Calendar for the Week

Sunday 3/18

8:30am

Early Worship – 5th Sunday in Lent

9:45am

Sunday School

Confirmation Class in Conference Room

11:00am

Worship – 5th Sunday in Lent

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Mon 3/19

6:30pm

Session Meeting

Wed 3/21

12:00pm

Lenten Lunch @ **Camp United Methodist Church**

1:30pm

Joyce Skeen Circle

Thurs 3/22

6:00pm

Handbells

7:00pm

Chancel Choir

Fri 3/23

11:30am

S.O.S. Group Gathering at Jerome's Steak & Seafood

Sat 3/24

11:00am

Session Meeting with Confirmation Class

Sunday 3/25

8:30am

Early Worship – *Palm Sunday*

9:45am

Sunday School

11:00am

Worship – *Palm Sunday*

Confirmation Class Received

Copies of the weekly 11:00 Worship Service are available on CD in the Narthex as a courtesy to Members, Visitors, and those unable to attend

Attendance last Sunday: 8:30a.m. – 27; 11:00a.m. – 120

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to this service of Worship. Our prayer is that all will be blessed as we worship together. Visitors, please fill out a Visitor's Card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or give it to a Greeter as you leave worship. Thank you.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by **Gene & Tammy McKethan** to the **Glory of God** in loving memory of **our brother-in-law, Rodney Manley and Gene's brother, David McKethan.**

Our Christian Sympathy to the family of Bob Benjamin who died under Hospice Care on Saturday, March 10.

Got financial worries? A free preview for "Financial Peace University" will be held at **Seaside UMC** on **Monday, March 19** at **6:30**. More information is available from Ken Clugston at "krclugston@atmc.net"

REMINDER ☺ The **2018 Flower Calendar** still has **Available dates: May 27; June 17; Aug 5, 12; Sept 9, 30; Oct 14** and **Nov 4**. Thanks!

Please pick up a copy of this year's Lenten Devotional written by members of area churches. They are on the bench in the Narthex. Also on the same bench you will find a tent card from Bread for the World to help with your Lenten Devotions.

Prayer Concerns: Vicki Blount, Crystal Braxton, Lois Chadwick, Kat Cheves, Betty Church, Pat Dobbins, Marian Downer, Marie Greene, Marie Harrison, Christian Huffman, Carolyn Jenkins, Bill Kelly, Lesa Kolcun, Michael Kolcun, Lantz Lackey, Peggy Lackey, Ann Long, Jerry McCann, Martha Miller, Catherine Norman, Lucie Oakley, Mary Sanderford, Gene Shannon, Wayne Smith, Seamus Smithwick, Steve Spoon and Bob Williams.



Rev. John Causey, Minister causeyoib@atmc.net

Barry Auman, Director of Music

Randy Warner, Organist/Pianist

Joyce Winkler, Qualified Ruling Elder

Dr. Les & Dr. Christy Morgan, Missionaries in Bangladesh

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