Second Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2020

The liturgical color is purple symbolizing the season of self denial.

Gathering & Greeting

As we gather, please take this time to greet those around you and to pass the Peace of Christ.

Please turn off or silence electronic devices as you enter for worship.

Prelude

"Christ, the Life of All the Living"

arr. J.S. Bach

The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God. Therefore, let the worshipers remain silent and contemplative. Lift up a prayer for your church family, staff, ministers and the work of Christ in the world.

Opening Praise

At the cross, at the cross, where I first saw the light,
And the burden of my heart rolled away;
It was there by faith I received my sight, and now I am happy all the day.

Welcome

Rev. Dr. George K. Howle 8:30 Rev. Meredith M. Dark 11:00

* Opening Hymn

"Lift High The Cross"

UMH Pg. 159

* Affirmation of Faith

UMH Pg. 881

* The Gloria Patri

UMH Pg. 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Choral Call to Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Dr. George K. Howle 8:30 Rev. Meredith M. Dark 11:00

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Celebrating Grace by Returning God's Tithes and Giving Our Offerings

(Offering Stewards will come forward at this time)

Offertory

"Ah, Holy Jesus"

arr. Gary Davidson

* The Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" (Olde Hundredth) UMH Pg. 95
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Children's Sermon

Julia Brooks

Children 3 years old (as of Sept. 1 and potty-trained) to 1st Grade are invited to Little Church.

Please pick them up following the service in room 201, Wesley Building.

* Hymn of Preparation	"Because He Lives"	UMH Pg. 364

* Sermon Text John 3:1-17 Carl Townsend 8:30 David Meese 11:00

Anthem "God So Loved The World" arr. Harlan

Sermon "Born Again" Rev. Dr. George K. Howle 8:30 Rev. Meredith M. Dark 11:00

* **Hymn of Response** "Blessed Assurance" UMH Pg. 369

* Benediction

* **Postlude** "Wondrous King, All-Glorious" arr. Hans Arnold Metzger

(*) Indicates please stand as you are able.

Flowers

The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of our 58th Anniversary on March 10th by Helen and Jim Clemmons.

Flowers are needed for the following dates: March 22; May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31. To place flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Jennifer Julian in the church office, 843-448-7164 x207 or jennifer@fumcmb.org. The flowers live on past Sunday mornings through faithful volunteers as flowers are designed into small arrangements and delivered to homes, hospitals and nursing homes.

Attendance

Members and regular visitors, please let us know of your attendance this morning by signing the attendance book. If you are a first time visitor, please fill out the visitor information attached to the Steeple and place in the offering plate, and don't forget to stop by our visitor area in the narthex... we have a gift for you!

Sunday School

We offer Sunday school for children age 3 through adult each Sunday from 9:45-10:45AM.

Children

First Church invites families to worship together. We also offer "Little Church" to children ages 3 (as of Sept. 1 and potty-trained) through 1st grade following the Children's Sermon Time. Little Church is a child-friendly "mini" worship service in room 201 of the Wesley Building (upstairs). Parents, please pick up your children immediately after worship.

Ask the ushers for children's *Wiggle Bags*, hearing devices and large print hymnals

Steward Teams for March

8:30AM | Captain: Toby Ward; Co-Captain: Harry Branton

Anne Andrews, Ron Andrews, Ashley Booth, Garrett Brown, Debbie Champion, Jerry Champion, Greg Clemmons, Judy Hall, Roger Hall, Rick Harmon

11:00AM | Captain: Ray Floyd, Co-Captain: Neal Bowers

Jackson Bowers, Meredith Bowers, Preston Bowers, Joe Castellano, Jim Creel Jr., Dabney Joyner, David Meese, Bill Rodwell, Rock Smith, Buddy Styers

Greeters for March

Front Entrance	Broadway Entrance	Office Entrance
8:30 Ushers	8:30 Ellie Albright	8:30 Imogene & Ashley Booth
11:00 Annette & Ed Willett	11:00 Judy Allen	11:00 Lesa & Geoff Jones

Assisting in Worship

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Acolyte	Bible Bearer	Crucifer
8:30 Ava Hussey 11:00 Cooper Richardson	11:00 Benjamin Gildner	11:00 Ethan Gildner
Little Church	Video	Audio
8:30 Cindy Johnson	Jan Davis/Jim Lewis	8:30 Tonia & Morgan Clemmons
11:00 Suzanne Gayton		11:00 Dylan Jollie