

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

> February 18, 2018 8:15, 9:30 & 11:00 A.M.

# WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Greeting Kirsten Homdrom

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us prepare for worship.

# **Preparation for Worship**

O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. So guide us, that, following our Savior, we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### **Prelude**

(8:15) "The peace may be exchanged." from *Rubrics* Dan Locklair (b. 1949) (9:30 & 11:00) The Passion Prophecy Cathy Moklebust (b. 1958) WMPC Handbell Choir

### **Christian Welcome and Announcements**

Robert Galloway Please pass the Friendship Register to your neighbor; include all requested information.

Call to Worship from Psalm 25

One: Let us lift up our souls to the God in whom we trust.

All: Help us to know your ways, your paths and your truth.

One: Teach us, Lord. Teach us all the day long.

All: For you are the God of salvation, mercy and grace everlasting.

One: May God still our hearts, lift our eyes and give our hearts and voices the words and praise of worship.

\*Hymn 22 - God of the Sparrow

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### \*Call to Confession

# \*Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God: we have not loved you with our whole hearts and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us. Help us be stilled—from our fears, our anxieties, and our reluctance to follow. By the mercies of Jesus Christ our Lord gives us words and thoughts to be honest about who we are by God's grace. In his name and for his sake, hear our prayer. Amen.

### \*Assurance of Pardon

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Response Hymn 414 - Be Still and Know

PSALM 146

#### LENT

The glory of these forty days we celebrate with songs of praise; for Christ, by whom all things were made, himself has fasted and has prayed. Yes, the church has good news to proclaim even in the season of Lent. Follow the annotations throughout the bulletin for more about this ancient text. (Adapted from an article by David Gambrell in Call to Worship)

We proclaim the grace of our loving God... who, above all, came to share the sorrow and joy, the hunger and hope of our human condition through the life of Jesus Christ.



Among our prayers on the Sundays in Lent is the traditional Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy) "Kyrie" Linoleum block print by Elizabeth Steele Halstead. Reprinted by permission from Visuals for Worship, © 2006, Faith Alive Resources.

### WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

# **Sacrament of Baptism**

(9:30) Jonah Rex Craven, child of Mandy Hayes and Lee Craven Eloise Adams Hoverstad, child of Sarah and Eric Hoverstad (11:00) Erica Newman Mobley

# (11:00) Introduction of New Members and Baptism

Old Testament Lesson - Genesis 9:8-17

pew Bible, p. 7

**Anthem -** O Love, How Vast, How Flowing Free

Sally Ann Morris (b. 1952)

O Love, how vast, how flowing free; O Love, how filled with ecstasy, that God a human form should take, and mortal be for mortals' sake. Not as an angel visiting, nor form celestial orbiting, but born in flesh God chose to be, robed in our own humanity. For us baptized, and fasting long, for us was tempted by the wrong, for us the pangs of hunger knew; for us the tempter overthrew. For us was beaten, whipped, and tried, and taken to be crucified. So Love all this for us endured, and dying, life for us procured. Arising from the dead again, our Sovereign goes on high to reign; and sends the Spirit to abide for strength and solace at our side. Then for God's boundless love sing praise through endless ages, countless days. By Love we have been reconciled: salvation gained through God's own Child.

New Testament Lesson - Mark 1:9-15

pew Bible, p. 33

# (11:00) A Time with the Younger Church

Following our time together, four-year-olds through second graders will meet Elizabeth Britt at the door near the baptismal font, to be joined by Diane Britt from the OnPoint service, for Worship Enrichment in L215.

**Sermon -** Standing Still Enough to Learn the Lessons of the Wilderness

Christopher Edmonston

# WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn 167 - Forty Days and Forty Nights

AUS DER TIEFE RUFE ICH

Gary Fulton

Prayers of the People and 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 debts,

as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

# **Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

# **Offertory Anthem**

(9:30 & 11:00) Chorale

(8:15) Variations on AUS DER TIEFE RUFE ICH

Anita Graves (pub. 1993)

Susan

Susan T. Nelson (pub. 1992)

Ruth Mock, oboe

\*Offertory Response Hymn 822 - When We Are Living, stanza 2 SOMOS DEL SEÑOR Through all our living, we our fruits must give.

Good works of service are for offering.

When we are giving, or when receiving, we belong to God, we belong to God.

\*Affirmation of Faith

from A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, Fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,

Lent comes from the Middle English word lente, meaning "springtime," and from the Old English word meaning "to lengthen" in regard to daylight—something in nature that gives us hope. Therefore, Lent is associated with the lengthening of days in the spring of the year.

We proclaim the grace of our loving God... who came in the person of Jesus to teach us God's way of truth and life; to heal and free, to confront false idols, to point to the glory of God's coming realm of justice and peace.

<sup>\*</sup>All who are able may stand.

healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

### WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

\*Hymn 618 - O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

DEO GRACIAS

# \*Charge and Benediction

During the season of Lent, the congregation is invited to be seated for the postlude.

**Postlude** - *Variations on* AUS DER TIEFE RUFE ICH

Anita Graves (pub. 1993)

# **Chiming of the Trinity**

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**Greeters:** 9:30 - Susie Jackson, Jane Jordan, Amy Leden, Brian Leden, Christian Fellowship Class, Senior High Class; 11:00 - Elizabeth Thompson, Joe Sullivan, Kelli Sullivan.

**Ushers:** 8:15 - Glenn Matteson, chair, Mary Ward Boerner, Bruce Broadbelt, Laura Broadbelt, Steve Cadwallader, Gwinn Moss; 9:30 - Gregg Thompson, chair, Cindy Canning, Timothy Canning, Celeste Chapman, Chris Chapman, Heath Chapman; 11:00 - Stephen Riddick, chair, Ann Matteson, Glenn Matteson, Roy Teel, Mary Tyrey, Scott Tyrey.

Service Assistants: 8:15 - Lucas Pleasants; 9:30 - Thomas Clark; 11:00 - Joe Thomas Williams.

**Treasurer's Assistants:** Reed Fountain, Bill Fairfax. **Shuttle Drivers:** Butch Gunnells, Varner Olmsted.

The flowers in the chancel this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mac McNeely by his family.

# **Adult Haiti Summer Trip Information Meetings**

First Presbyterian Church and WMPC members will travel to Haiti June 20-27. For details, attend an information meeting today at 12:15 p.m. in the Ed Greer room, third floor of the Edge Building at First Presbyterian Church (112 S. Salisbury, Raleigh) or contact Carol Anne Moehring at 919-833-4070 or <a href="mailto:cormoehring@fpcraleigh.org">cormoehring@fpcraleigh.org</a> or Chris Northup at 919-387-8154 or <a href="mailto:northupca@mindspring.com">northupca@mindspring.com</a> for details.

# Teacher Lenten Workshop and Teacher/Caregiver Appreciation Dinner

Sunday School teachers of two-year-olds through fifth grade: please attend our Lenten Workshop on Sunday, February 25, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Bring your calendars and RSVP to your coordinators. At 6:00, you and your family will be treated to the Appreciation Dinner. For childcare and dinner reservations, visit <a href="https://www.whitememorial.org">whitememorial.org</a> or call Tonya Higgins at 919-834-3425, ext. 216, by February 20.

# IN THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

Raymond Alan Lichtner – February 7, 2018

WMPC family members: wife Ann Lichtner; daughters and their families, Hanna, Jim, Sellars and Lindsey Compton; Rachael, Todd, Jeremy and Mary Ella Ann Glauber; brother-in-law and family, Bill, Linda and Will Turner; nephew Steve Shuster and Blair

Corman Stogdell Drumm – February 7, 2018

WMPC family members: daughter and son-in-law, Carol and Fred Wood, and grandson, Brendan Shanley



The cross is a Christian symbol. In Lent we see the cross in many forms and designs as a reminder of the journey that takes us to Golgatha on Good Friday and the crucifixion of Christ. But that is not the end of the journey. For Reformed Christians, the norm is the empty cross, reminding us of the resurrection.

We proclaim the grace of our loving God... even as we examine the sorry state of our lives; seek reconciliation with God and one another; and repent and return to the Lord. The good news is: we are led through these forty days of wilderness by a gracious guide: Jesus, "the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame" (Hebrews 12:2)



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#### WELCOME TO WHITE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC(USA)

We are glad you are worshipping with us. Visiting? Stop by the Welcome Table in Jane Bell Gathering Space for information, directions and a friendly greeting. New members are received after a one-day Beginnings Class. Visit whitememorial.org/join or contact Elizabeth Viohl at ext. 206

for details, class dates and registration.

#### THINGS TO KNOW:

- Shuttle buses run every Sunday at five- to ten-minute intervals, 8:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m., from Carolina Place, 2626 Glenwood Avenue, across from Glenwood Village Shopping Center.

Restrooms are located in the Luther Building immediately behind the sanctuary/Jane Bell Gathering Space.

Childcare is available for children up to four years old.

Sunday School is offered at 9:30 a.m. for all ages.

Refreshments are served in Carol Copeland Courtyard or Pickard Hall on Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

The sanctuary has a loop hearing aid system and an FM system.

Live-streamed services are at whitememorial.org.

- Radio, WPTF 680 AM, every other Sunday at 11:00 a.m.: February 25.

Bulletins left in the sanctuary following worship services are recycled as part of our care for God's creation. WMPC is a certified Earth Care congregation of the PC(USA).

- We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

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## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday, February 18** (Gen. 9:8-17; Mark 1:9-15)

Worship (8:15, 9:30, 11:00 a.m. - Sanctuary; 11:00 a.m. - OnPoint@1704, Pickard)

8:45 a.m. - Mission Share & Community Table Ticket Sales (The Point)

9:30 a.m. - OnPoint House Band (Pickard)

10:00 a.m. - Beginnings Class for New Members Gathers (L110)

10:15 a.m. - Mission Share & Community Table Ticket Sales (Courtyard)

10:30 a.m. - Beginnings Class Meets with Session (Chapel)

11:00 a.m. - Beginnings Class Joins (Sanctuary/Pickard)

noon - International Book Club (C301)

3:00 p.m. - End of Life Forum (C200)

4:00 p.m. - Women's Retreat Committee (C301); Youth Choir (S300)

5:00 p.m. - Middle/High School PYC (C100, C102-103/K100)

6:30 p.m. - Diaconate Meeting (K200)

Monday, February 19 (Ps. 6; Gen. 37:1-11; 1 Cor. 1:1-19; Mark 1:1-13)

9:30 a.m. - Russia Sewing Group (C200)

5:30 p.m. - T'ai Chi for Exercise (Pickard) 6:00 p.m. - Men's Bible Study (Geneva)

6:45 p.m. - Ross Bible Study (C203)

7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous (C100); Handbell Choir (S300); Stephen Ministry Training (K302); Stephen Min. Continuing Ed./Supervision (K200)

7:10 p.m. - Jim Gale Bible Study (K100)

8:00 p.m. - Adult Basketball (Pickard)

Tuesday, February 20 (Ps. 91; Gen. 37:12-24; 1 Cor. 1:20-31; Mark 1:14-28)

7:00 a.m. - Men's/Women's Breakfast Bible Study (Geneva/K100)

8:30 a.m. - Yoga for Exercise (C100)

9:30 a.m. - Fit after Fifty (Pickard); God Talk (W400)

10:30 a.m. - Tuesday Morning Bible Study (C301)

3:00 p.m. - Labyrinth Open for Walking (Chapel)

5:30 p.m. - Small Ensemble Rehearsal (S300)

6:00 p.m. - StepUp Life Skills Program/Dinner (Geneva); Centering Prayer (W400)

6:30 p.m. - Boy Scout Troop 395 Patrol Leaders (Pickard)

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir (L304/S300)

7:30 p.m. - Boy Scout Troop 395 (Pickard)

Wednesday, February 21 (Ps. 51; Gen. 37:25-36; 1 Cor. 2:1-13; Mark 1:29-45)

7:45 a.m. - StepUp Employment Week (C100)

8:00 a.m. - Clothing Closet (W100)

9:30 a.m. - Bible Belles (Off Site)

10:00 a.m. - Chair Yoga (C200)

3:00 p.m. - March Haiti Trip Planning (W400)

4:30 p.m. - Carol Choir (L304); Joyful Noise Choir (S300); Cherub Choir (L311)

5:00 p.m. - Wednesdays Together Dinner (Pickard)

5:30 p.m. - Widows of White Memorial (Geneva)

6:00 p.m. - Small Ensemble Rehearsal (Chapel, Sanctuary)

6:15 p.m. - Youth Band (K100)

6:30 p.m. - Disciple I (K307)

6:45 p.m. - OnPoint House Band (K100)

7:00 p.m. - Adult Faith Formation Committee (C302); Young Adult Bible Study (C102;

Churchwide Nominating Committee (C200)

8:00 p.m. - Al-Anon (C100)

**Thursday, February 22** (Ps. 102; Gen. 39:1-23; 1 Cor. 2:14-3:15; Mark 2:1-12)

7:45 a.m. - StepUp Employment Week (C100, C102-103)

9:15 a.m. - Library Committee (C203)

9:30 a.m. - Thurs. A.M. Bible Study (W400); T'ai Chi (K100); Lilies of the Field (C301) 10:00 a.m. - Presbyterian Women Honorary Life Committee (C204)

10:45 a.m. - Keenagers: My Life in Japan - Jim Ferry (C200)

11:55 a.m. - Nursery for Worship (L102)

12:10 p.m. - Lenten Midweek Worship (Chapel)

12:30 p.m. - Lenten Lunch (Geneva)

12:45 p.m. - Praying Our Church into Its Future (Chapel)

4:00 p.m. - Labyrinth Open for Walking (Chapel)

6:00 p.m. - NAMI Peer to Peer (C301); Youth Basketball Practice (Pickard); Concert Series Committee (C203)

7:30 p.m. - Webelo Scouts (K304-307); Sanctuary Choir (L304/S300)

Friday, February 23 (Ps. 130; Gen. 40:1-23; 1 Cor. 3:16-23; Mark 2:13-22)

7:45 a.m. - StepUp Employment Week (C100, C102-103)

6:30 p.m. - Community Table Youth Fundraiser (Pickard/Geneva/K100/Connector)

8:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous (C100)

Saturday, February 24 (Ps. 143; Gen. 41:1-13; 1 Cor. 4:1-7; Mark 2:23-3:6)

8:30 a.m. - Sunday School Setup (Classrooms)

9:00 a.m. - NAMI Family to Family (C301); Presbytery Meeting (First Presbyterian-Raleigh)