



Welcome, friends, from far and near.
Let us worship God who is surely here.
Let us pray, sing, share the Word and give;
then let us joyfully go into God's world to
live. *Please indicate your desires for
visitation, or information about joining
Celebration Church on the Ritual of

Friendship Pad. *Prayer cards are provided for sharing your joys and concerns. Please write your prayer request on the back of a prayer card and write your name on the front and the ushers will collect the prayer cards before the Prayers of the People.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

O God, who created us for good and who continues to call us to salvation: Grant that during this season of Lent we may be truly aware of our mortality and our need to be changed more fully into your image. Through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Sunday, February 18, 2018 **1st Sunday in Lent**

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude Sarah Abushakra
Chiming the Hour
*Hymn No. 292 As The Wind Song WAIRUA TAPU
Greeting The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**
Welcome, Ritual of Friendship, Prayer Cards, Announcements and Opening Prayer
*Sharing the Peace of Christ The Peace of Christ be with You. **And also with you!**
(Please exchange signs of Christ's peace with those near you.)

TO WORSHIP THE LORD OUR GOD

*Responsive Call to Worship Liturgist: Elizabeth Wills
To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you.
Let none who trust in you be put to shame; let the evil be disappointed in all their schemes.
Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me to follow in your paths.
You guide the humble in doing right, O God, and all your ways are loving and faithful.
Lead us throughout the Lenten Journey and help us deepen our holiness and righteousness.
We offer up our lives, our worship and our praise to you O God.

*Hymn No. 167 Forty Days and Forty Nights AUS DER TIEFE RUFTE ICH

Call to Confession Liturgist: Elizabeth Wills
Friends, we all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. The good news is that with God, grace abounds and forgiveness is real to all who confess. Let us confess our sins collectively and then personally.

Unison Prayer of Confession Liturgist: Elizabeth Wills
Covenant-making God, as heirs of your covenant, which was sealed for us in baptism, we have been promised your grace and forgiveness, and been called to live as your holy people. But we

have taken your promises for granted, neglecting the way of life to which you have called us. Melt us, mold us, saturate us anew with your Holy Spirit into which we were baptized. Empower us to walk the Lenten journey, to follow you and to embrace the way of the cross, that we may be faithful to our calling, as disciples of our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon Liturgist: Elizabeth Wills
Friends, hear the good news and believe it: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God.**

Affirmation of Faith *The Apostle's Creed* *PCUSA Book of Confessions*
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn No. 581 *Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI
* The children are invited to join the Pastor on the steps *
Time With Young Disciples *Children's Church follows in Room 5*

TO WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND SHARED STEWARDSHIP

Prayers of the People – Sharing Our Joys and Concerns **(Please pass your prayer cards to an usher.)**
Prayer of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer ("debts and debtors")

Giving of God's Tithe and Our Offerings
Offertory *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* Erik Meyer
Celebration Choir

*Doxology Hymn No. 606 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH

*Unison Prayer of Dedication You, O God, have delivered our souls from death and our feet from falling. We give these tithes and offerings in gratitude to you for your immense gifts to us. Use us and our gifts for your ongoing work in the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

TO WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD, SHARED WITNESS

Scripture Mark 1:9-15 NRSV
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**
Sermon *Time In The Wilderness* Tom Dendy

AND RESPOND IN FAITHFUL SERVICE IN THE WORLD

*Charge and Benediction
*Closing Hymn No. 775 *I Want Jesus To Walk With Me* WALK WITH ME
*Postlude Sarah Abushakra

(*If able, please stand at these points in the service.)

| CELEBRATION HAPPENINGS | | |
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| Sun Feb 18 | First Sunday in Lent | |
| | Adult Bible Study | 9:15 am |
| | Choir Rehearsal | 10:00 am |
| | Coffee and Fellowship | 10:15 am |
| | Worship, Nursery, Children's Church, He~Brews Café for Youth | 11:00 am |
| | STATED SESSION MEETING | 12:15 pm |
| | Rockin' Jump - Fundraiser for Camp Pee Dee | 4:00-8:00 pm |
| Mon Feb 19 | Church Offices Closed, Preschool Open | |
| Tue Feb 20 | Quilters | 10:00 am |
| | Movie Night "The Fourth Wiseman" | 6:00 pm |
| Wed Feb 21 | Choir Rehearsal | 7:00 pm |
| Thu Feb 22 | In-House Preschool Registration | 8:30 am |
| Fri Feb 23 | Open Preschool Registration | 8:30 am |
| Sun Feb 25 | Second Sunday in Lent | |
| | Adult Bible Study | 9:15 am |
| | Choir Rehearsal | 10:00 am |
| | Coffee and Fellowship | 10:15 am |
| | Worship, Nursery, Children's Church, | 11:00 am |
| | Pasta with the Pastor Luncheon to Learn More about Celebration | 12:15 pm |

Serving February 18

Visitor Table: Heidi Cherry

Nursery: Nanette Kelly

Children's Church PreK-Kindergarten: Tonja Paolini

Grades 1-5: Trudy Miller

Media Shout: Katrena White

Sound Board: Carol Butler

Liturgist: Elizabeth Wills

Elder of the Week: Nancy Torcivia – 843-390-4376

Ushers: Corey Jacobs, Margaret Reeder, Beth Bruton, Terry Baker

Serving February 25

Visitor Table: Betsy Hughes

Nursery: Donna Woodard

Children's Church PreK-Kindergarten: Tonja Paolini

Grades 1-5: Trudy Miller

Media Shout: Bernadine Lamar

Sound Board: Nicklaus McIlrath

Liturgist: Carla Baker

Elder of the Week: Joe Alexander – 843-903-3996

Ushers: Corey Jacobs, Margaret Reeder, Beth Bruton, Terry Baker

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February 18, 2018 11:00 a.m. Worship

Celebrating 15 Years of Faithful Mission and Ministry!

Join the Lenten Journey...



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of LENT

The First Sunday in Lent

JOIN US AT CELEBRATION

We are Christ followers who are open, accepting, loving and welcoming to all!