

SMITHS GROVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

“Christ centered worship and service in a family of faith open to all”

Kevin Dick – Pastor

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PRELUDE/WELCOME/JOYS AND CONCERNS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/CALL TO WORSHIP

Happy are those whose transgressions are forgiven.

Happy are those who receive God’s mercy.

Rejoice and be glad, you upright in heart.

Shout for joy, people of God.

Let us worship the one who gives us strength.

Let us worship the God of life.

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 32: 1-9 (pg. 506, 507)

*PRAISE SONG: Mighty to Save

*OPENING PRAYER

Walk with us as we journey with Jesus Christ through the season of Lent. Help us overcome the temptations we face each and every day. Save us from time of trial and send your angels to ministers to us in times of weakness. Raise us to newness of life, through the gift of your Spirit and the love of your Son. Amen!

GIVING OF OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY/PRAYER OF DEDICATION/PASSING THE PEACE

*PRAISE SONG: I Could Sing of Your Love Forever

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy One, we do not always face temptation well. We settle for loaves of bread when our souls long for bread that does not perish. We put you to the test, seeking signs of your favor, when we should “be still” and rest in the knowledge that you are God. We place our trust in leaders who make promises they cannot deliver, when we should be putting our faith in you. Forgive us, O God, and help us be found worthy of your calling, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen!

RESPONSIVE PRAYER/LORD’S PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

When we acknowledge our failings before God, God wipes away our shame. Receive forgiveness and mercy, through the gift of God’s grace in Jesus Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 4: 1-11 (pg. 3)

MESSAGE: “Swordfight in the Desert”

COMMUNION

*PRAISE SONG: On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand

*DEPARTURE/BENEDICTION

Though life is full of temptation, God will see us through.

We rejoice in the one who strengthens us.

Though life is full of times of trail, Christ walks with us every step of the way.

We rejoice in the one who shares our journey.

Though life is full of obstacles to faith, the Spirit eases our burden.

We rejoice in the one who leads us home.

* All those who are able are invited to stand

WELCOME! We are glad that you are here! We hope you experience the presence of Christ in this place! If you do not have a Church home in this area, we invite you to make this church your home. If you are interested in finding out more about our church or how you might become a member, please speak with our pastor, Kevin Dick, or clerk of session, Phyllis McGuirk.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today	9:45 AM	Sunday School for All Ages!
	11:00 AM	Worship Service/1 st Sunday in Lent/Communion/Back Pack Sunday
Sun. Mar. 8 th		Daylight Savings Time begins
Sun. Mar. 8 th	12:00 PM	Session Meeting
Thurs. Mar. 12 th	11:00 AM	All Senior Day
Sun. Mar. 29 th	11:00 AM	2 cents a meal offering

The Session:

2020 – Mike McGuirk, Johnnie Carter
2021 – Phyllis McGuirk, Mary Thies
2022 – Vanessa Carter, John Suoy

PRAISE REPORTS AND PRAYER CONCERNS

Weekly Message Scripture: Matthew 4: 1-11

Sunday

Thank God for His loving kindness.

Pray for people to be kind to one another and to influence for good.

Monday

Thank God for our country and our freedoms.

Pray for our leaders and politicians to seek God's will.

Tuesday

Thank God for His blessings and His love.

Pray for God to use you to help introduce others to His love and grace.

Wednesday

Thank the Lord for each new day.

Pray for those who are struggling with loss or sickness.

Thursday

Thank God for new opportunities and for His foundation of love.

Pray for our young adults in college, trade school, and professions.

Friday

Thank God for friends, family, and neighbors.

Pray for each other and for all unspoken prayer requests.

Saturday

Thank God for His presence with us, even when we push Him away.

Pray for others to accept God's gift of unconditional love.

Special Joys and Concerns:

Travis Edward's mom – health concerns

Annette Danmeier - cancer

Peggy Jordan and Nancy Stiles – painful knee

Mother & daughter – burns from house explosion

Shalee Mann – health concerns

Teresa Stidham – pulmonary fibrosis

Mike's friend – health concerns

Mary & Cynthia's brother – heart issues

Fran Smith, Debbie Fields – cancer

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