

WORSHIP

Second Sunday in Lent
February 25, 2018

LifeJourney Contemporary Worship – 9:00 AM

Welcome and Announcements

(Please fill out your Response Card and place it in the offering.)

Passing the Peace

Praise Music

Prayers

CHILDREN'S CHURCH takes place after the prayers at the 9:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service in TFEC. Families will worship together, then the children will be dismissed to Children's Church (between 9:15-9:20) in rooms 106 and 108 for Children's Church and Bible story time.

Offering

Scripture Reading

Mark 8:27-38

Message

Followers of a Suffering Savior

Rev. Robin Hager

Closing Song and Blessings

Are You New to Grace's Contemporary Service?

We are so glad that you are here!

- The service will begin with announcements and about 20 minutes of singing, followed by an offering then there will be a message from the Bible. *Please feel at home.*
- After the service, stop by our Information Center. We are here to answer your questions and give you a tour.
- Check out Graceontheisland.com. It has staff listings, information, statement of beliefs, upcoming events, etc.

CAMPUS MAPS are available in the TFEC lobby in the information carousel and in the Narthex on the lobby table or on the wall near the hallway.

Triplett Family Enrichment Center (TFEC) is the building located across from the main Sanctuary building.



WORSHIP

Traditional Service – 11:00 AM

*Please stand as you are able

PRELUDE

It Is Well With My Soul arr. Dobrinski
GraceTones Handbell Ensemble, with organ

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WELCOME *PASSING THE PEACE

(All exchange signs and words of God's peace.)

*CALL TO WORSHIP *(people read the bold face type)*

LEADER: Welcome. All are invited to join us on our Lenten journey.

PEOPLE: We come with great hope and expectation as we walk the way of Christ.

LEADER: Today's journey will demand much of us.

PEOPLE: Lord, make us ready to fully offer ourselves to you.

LEADER: Come, let us walk together as we follow Jesus.

PEOPLE: Let us place our lives in God's abiding love. AMEN.

*HYMN #100

God Whose Love is Reigning O'er Us

(Please be seated)

OPENING PRAYER *(In Unison)*

Lord of presence and power, be with us on our Lenten journey to the Cross, guide our steps and direct our path. Help us to make a commitment of our lives, our spirits, our hearts to ministry in your name. AMEN.

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER, MORNING PRAYER, AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Acclamation of Assurance
Joseph Martin

PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(In Unison)*

The journey of discipleship requires our commitment and faith, so we offer our lives, our gifts and our offerings for the work of sharing the good news of Jesus' love to all people. AMEN.

*DOXOLOGY #95

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

*HYMN #297

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

SPECIAL MUSIC:

I am Loved

Gloria and William Gaither

Phyllis Riedler, contralto

SCRIPTURE READING

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*HYMN

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

**1. I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
No turning back, no turning back.**

**2. Tho' none go with me, I still will follow;
Tho' none go with me I still will follow;
Tho' none go with me, I still will follow;
No turning back, no turning back.**

**3. My cross I'll carry, till I see Jesus;
My cross I'll carry till I see Jesus;
My cross I'll carry till I see Jesus;
No turning back, No turning back.**

**4. The world behind me, the cross before me;
The world behind me, the cross before me;
The world behind me, the cross before me;
No turning back, no turning back.**

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Praise Medley
Don Wyrzten

Serving as Worship Leader today: Tom Davis

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

KIDZ CLUB Time at 10 AM following Children's Church, children are taken upstairs to rooms 205, 206/207. This time will include crafts, games and sometimes a small snack. Please check your child in **PRIOR** to worship to ensure safety for your child. Pickup is upstairs (in the back lobby area) at 11:15 AM.

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Youth Sunday school meets on Sunday morning, at 10:15AM, right after the Life Journey service in TFEC, in Room 200. We will be using Cokesbury's Submerge.

ADULT CLASSES

Traditional

9:30 AM Wesleyan Class in the main building, West Wing
9:30 AM Christian Encounters in the main building, East Wing
LifeJourney

10:15 AM Your Turn Class in the main building, Parlor B.

10:15 AM Relevance Classroom in TFEC Room 103.

10:15 AM Parenting & Connecting Class in TFEC Room 108

Discussing our week with Jesus and making the word connect in our daily lives with our families.

For more information, Sunday school fliers are located in the information display in the lobby of TFEC or on the table in the Narthex of the main building.

CALENDAR

Sunday – FEBRUARY 25

- 8:30am Coffee Time – TFEC Lobby
- 9:00am *LifeJourney Contemporary Worship – TFEC
- 9:00am *Children's Church – TFEC Rooms 106 (3-5 years) & 108 (K-5th)
- 9:30am *Traditional Adult Sunday school–Wesleyan, WW; Christian Encounters, EW;
- 10:00am Kidz Club – TFEC Rooms 205 – 207
- 10:15am *LifeJourney Adult Sunday school Relevance=103; Connections= 108;
Your Turn=Parlor B;
- 10:15am *Youth Sunday school – TFEC Room 200
- 11:00am *Traditional Worship – Sanctuary
- 4:00pm Disciple Class (study) Wasson – PH/WW
- 6:00pm Christy Cane – Punch Hall & EW

Monday – FEBRUARY 26

- 9:15am Preschool Chapel – Sanctuary
- 11:00am Piano Lessons – TFEC
- 3:30pm Interfaith Outreach Meeting – PH Back Conf.
- 5:00pm Prayer Group – Chapel
- 4:30pm Community Dinner – Punch Hall

Tuesday – FEBRUARY 27

- 10:00am Grace Staff Meeting – Parlor
- 11:00am Preschool Dance – TFEC, corner
- 5:30pm GraceTones Handbell Ensemble– Music Room
- 6:00pm Cub Scouts Pack#77 – PH/EW/WW
- 7:00pm AA Meeting – Meeting Room C
- 7:00pm Emmaus Men's Meeting – Library

Wednesday – FEBRUARY 28

- 9:00am Piecemakers – Punch Hall and East Wing
- 10:30am Preschool Gymnastics – TFEC corner
- 5:15pm Snack Supper – TFEC
- 6:00pm Grace Kids Club – TFEC 104/106/205/206/207
- 6:30pm Beth Moore Bible Study – Parlor
- 6:30pm Boy Scout Troop #77 – PH/EW/WW
- 6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Music Room
- 6:30pm Stephens Ministry – Library
- 6:00pm Lent Bible Study – TFEC Rm 108
- 7:00pm AI Anon Meeting – Meeting Room C

Thursday – MARCH 1

- 10:30am Preschool Gymnastics – TFEC corner
- 7:00pm Life Journey Praise Team Practice – TFEC Main Hall
- 7:00pm AA Meeting – Meeting Rm C

Friday – MARCH 2

- 8:00am Country Store Setup – TFEC
- 9:00am Threadcatchers – Punch Hall and East Wing
- 10:00am French Club – Meeting Rm C
- 11:00am Martial Arts – TFEC, Corner
- 1:00pm Pancake Breakfast Setup – TFEC

Saturday – MARCH 3

- 8:00am Pancake Breakfast – TFEC
- 8:00am Country Store Setup – TFEC

STEWARDSHIP

Figures from Sunday, February 18, 2018
General Offering Received: \$18,838.50
Weekly Offering General Fund Goal: \$17,930.00
*Loan Balance as of 1/3/17: \$37,368.68

*We do **NOT** have a building fund. This would imply we are gathering/saving funds to start a new building project. In addition we do **NOT** have a mortgage. What we have is a **loan** from building the Preschool and renovation of TFEC. If you plan to give directly to pay the loan – please note on check "LOAN REDUCTION" and we will know these funds go to the principle of the loan. Thank you!

Attendance: 546 (One Year Ago: 517)

Mission Support

Pat & Karen Burroughs-Campus Crusade
Sara Flores-Ecuador (Global Mission Partner)
Sister Methodist Church in Herrera, Cuba

CHURCH STAFF

Kenneth Carter, Florida Conference, Resident Bishop
Rinaldo Hernandez, District Superintendent, SW District

All Members of the Church, Ministers

Robin Hager, Pastor
Beverly McFarland, Administrator
Vicki Mackey, Student & Family Ministry Director
Suzanne Berndt, Organist/Director, Traditional Music
Mary Jeanne Moorman, Pianist
Rich Hager, Praise Team Leader
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Grace United Methodist Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

February 25, 2018

Helpful Information

Our NURSERY is located in the main hallway of TFEC and is available during all worship services and Sunday school.
Infant & Toddler room – 104 Preschoolers – 106

Children's notebooks are located on the back wall. Children who remain in worship service are welcome to read and color the paper activities that relate to what the younger children are doing in Children's church.

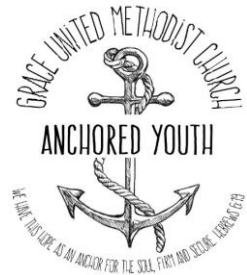
In the Sanctuary

Do you wear a hearing aid? A designated seating area beside the Sound Booth is equipped with a hearing assisted loop. The loop is compatible with t-coil enabled hearing aids. For more information, please speak with Mike Ferguson, our sound technician.

Hearing amplifiers are also available from the ushers.

Large print hymnals and bulletins are located in the rear of the Sanctuary.

CONNECT



~WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES~

WE START WITH SNACK SUPPER. WHICH BEGINS SERVING AT 5:15 PM IN TFEC FOR THE CHILDREN/YOUTH, FAMILIES AND ADULTS PARTICIPATING IN WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES. SUGGESTED DONATION IS \$2.50 PER PERSON.

6:00 PM ACTIVITIES BEGIN & WRAP UP CLOSE TO 7:15 PM

KIDZ CLUB: PREK - 5TH GRADE – 2017/2018, WE ARE USING THE TEAMKID SERIES! TEAMKID IS DESIGNED FOR KIDS IN DISCIPLESHIP! IT FEATURES BIBLE MEMORY GAMES AND APPLICATION OF BIBLE TRUTHS, ENGAGING MISSIONS VIDEOS, ACTIVITIES, AND FUN ACTIVITY-BASED LEARNING ALL WHILE HELPING OUR KIDS. THIS VOLUME OF TEAMKID TEACHES KIDS TO SOAR IN GOD'S STRENGTH, AS HE HELPS THEM LIVE FOR HIM AND TELL OTHERS ABOUT HIS LOVE.

ANCHORED YOUTH: 6TH GRADE - COLLEGE - TOGETHER WE ARE STUDYING RE:FORM ANCESTORS. RE:FORM ANCESTORS IS A YOUTH BIBLE STUDY THAT HELPS STUDENTS GET TO KNOW PERSONALITIES FROM THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE GRACE KIDZ OR ANCHORED YOUTH PROGRAM & ACTIVITIES CONTACT VICKI MACKEY AT CHILDREN@GRACEONTHEISLAND.COM

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March 25 — Palm Sunday, 9 AM TFEC & 11 AM Sanctuary
March 29 — Maundy Thursday, 7:00 PM TFEC
March 30 — Good Friday, 12 Noon Sanctuary
April 1— Easter Sunday, 9:00AM Modern—TFEC
10:30 AM Easter Egg Hunt – side lawn, near Bell Tower
11AM Traditional – Sanctuary



IF YOU CAN SPEAK, YOU CAN PRAY!

“Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.” (Mark 11:24)

PRAYER changes everything. Come pray boldly and with great expectation for God’s blessings upon our church, for healing, peace, and restoration for our families, friends, our community, and the world. God will be joining us, who knows what can happen when He shows up!

Every Monday
Our Church Chapel
5pm-5:45pm

Annette Scott: 724-516-8181 call with any question

Piecemakers’ Spring Open House

Friday & Saturday, March 16th & 17th

8 am – 1 pm

In Punch Hall

The ‘quilters’ been busy creating a variety of quilts, tableware, aprons, bags, gift items...and much more. You are invited to come, browse, and enjoy some refreshments.

Proceeds will benefit our church and missions in the community.

GROW



GUMC Travel Group

Our plans for 2018 are taking shape. They will include:

- Baseball- Spring training Thursday, March 22 – Orioles vs. Boston Red Sox. Charter bus tickets \$45 Payment Due.
- Gatlin Brothers at Venice Performing Arts Center March 10th - \$46.00. No REFUNDS after February 25th. We have made arrangements for a group dinner for as many people that want to come at 4:30pm at the British Open Pub at Venice and Jacaranda Blvd. Contact John Milton 484-7975 or Debbie Pfundtner 493-2706.
- The Methodist Men’s club is sponsoring a 9 hole golf Tournament. It features a scramble format designed for fun and fellowship and for players of all skill levels. It will be held at Lake Venice Golf Club on Wednesday, March 28th starting at 2:00pm. Cost is \$30 per player. Club members will be registering players on Sunday mornings before and after church services. Or call: John Milton at 941-484-7975, Ray Fleming at 937-578-2861 or Bob Bainbridge at 941-408-7319.

And a few more to be determined. Come with us! Contact John Milton for more information.

See our Brochures in the hallway of the Narthex and TFEC



GRACE BOOK LOVERS meets Tuesday, Feb. 27 at 10 AM in the church parlor.

Sally Russell will lead the discussion of Ellis Peters’ A MORBID TASTE FOR BONES, an example of a historical novel in the detective genre. It is the first book of the Brother Cadfael series. All are welcome to join the discussion.

