

**WELCOME!!!
WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!**



We welcome each of you to our worship services today.
PLEASE sign the attendance pad and pass it along to your neighbor. Visitors, please include your address and phone number.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES & TEACHERS

Church, 1st Floor

Chapel: Pathfinders Bible Study - Michele Newton

Conference Room: The Upper Room - Doug & Michele Inscoc

Church, 2nd Floor

Watson Class - Larry Price, Kent Anderson, & Snookie Parker
Hardison Discussion Class - Dave Williams, Will Winslow & Woody Harrison

Blackburn Education Building

Room 104 3 & 4 Year Olds - Teachers - Ginger Bissette, John & Stephanie Robl, Renee Pearson, Shelley Gibson

Room 106 Infants, Toddlers & 2-Year Olds - Mary Wesley Edwards

Room 108 The Bradshaw Class (older adults) - Teachers - Bob Bergland, Charles Robl, & Bill Presnell

Room 203 Young Adult Class - Leaders - Emily Aycock, Shelley Gibson, & Suzette Gibson

Room 201 4th & 5th Grade Class - Debbie Bradley, Allison Robl,

Suzette Gibson, Alicia Gregory

Room 206 2nd & 3rd Grade Class - Teachers - Ellen Barkley, Anne & Gary Benton, Ginny Eagles, Ginger & Mark Godwin

Room 205 Kindergarten & 1st Grade Class - Teachers - Noelle Halverson, Anne & David Clark, Jenny & Reggie Harrison, Heather Lasitter

Epworth Building

Middle School & High School Teachers - Alysun Skinner, Henrienne Allegood, Ben Eagles, Mandy & Wes Berry, & Susan Barnes

Woman to Woman Teacher - Cathy Helmer

Transforming Lives Class (TLC) - Teacher - Lorie Halverson



First United Methodist Church

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The Reverend Charles J. Robl III, Associate Pastor
Dr. William M. Presnell, Pastor Emeritus
Mr. Joel Gay, Director of Music Ministries
Mrs. Alysun Skinner, Director of Youth Ministries
Mr. Andy Michaud, Director of Communications
Mrs. Mary Wesley Edwards, Nursery Coordinator
Mrs. Lorie Daniel, Director of Weekday Preschool
Mrs. Fran Stafford, Financial Secretary
Mrs. Jo Shackelford, Church Secretary
Mr. Boris Farmer, Custodian

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February 25, 2018
Second Sunday in Lent

"Invite, Inspire, Ignite"

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The Worship of God

Second Sunday in Lent

8:45 Worship Hour

GATHERING

+SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

OPENING VOLUNTARY

+HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 359 "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed" UMH 359

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "The Apostles' Creed" UMH 881

+GLORIA PATRI UMH 71

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 8:31 - 38 NT Page 44

MORNING MESSAGE "Saviors Don't Suffer" Reverend Robl

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY (Please sign and pass the attendance pad.)

+DOXOLOGY UMH 95

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 2129 "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" FWS

+DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

+CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+A TIME OF SILENCE

+CLOSING VOLUNTARY



Make reservations for the February 28th WNS by Monday, February 26th, at noon. For reservations, sign up in the church office, call 237-6121, or email joshackelford@fumcwilson.org. MENU: Beef or chicken white bean chili, side salad, and ice cream sandwiches. KIDS MENU: Assorted Sandwiches
Meal prepared by Pathfinders Sunday School Class

We are excited to announce that we will participate in **Appalachia Service Project** again this year as we head to Kentucky on June 24th - June 30th to help make homes for those in need warmer, safer, and dryer. Adults and Youth, ages 14 or who have completed the 8th grade, are encouraged to participate. There will be an **informational meeting on March 6th at 6 p.m. in Epworth**. If you would like to participate in ASP or learn more about it, make plans to attend this meeting, contact andymichaud@fumcwilson.com, or call the church office.

The Annual Preschool Program & Pancake Supper will be Wednesday, March 14. **Tickets are \$6 per person and reservations and seating requests for this special meal must be made no later than Monday, March 5 (this is a week earlier than reservations are normally made for a WNS)** Menu: Pancakes, sausage links, assorted toppings including syrup, fruit, chocolate chips, Nutella, and whipped cream; beverages: milk, orange juice, water, and coffee

Seating Schedule:

Pancake Meal Seating 1 5:30-6:15 in Asbury Hall (pancakes served until 6:00)

Preschool Program 6:30 in the sanctuary

Pancake Meal Seating 2 7:00-7:45 in Asbury Hall (pancakes served until 7:30)

Please note that we are scheduling two separate seatings for the pancake supper. Tickets will be issued to coordinate this event. If you are on the permanent list for Wednesday night suppers, you will need to pick up tickets for your preferred meal time.

MUSIC NOTES



We thank the Carillon Ringers for their ministry to us this morning and, also, our Chancel Choir for their beautiful anthem today. Thank you all for your gifts and talents that have enhanced our worship today

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

8:45 Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary
9:00 Contemporary Worship Service - Asbury Hall
9:45 Confirmation Class - Epworth
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary
5:15 Youth Group - Epworth Building

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

2:30 Security Seminar Planning
6:30 Men's Bible Study - Hardison Classroom
6:30 Children's Council - Home of Suzette Gibson
7:00 Boy Scouts - Scout Room

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

10:00 Staff Meeting - Conference Room
5:30 Communion - Wesley Chapel

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

12:10 Community Lenten Service and Luncheon - First Baptist Church
6:00 Wednesday Night Supper - Asbury Hall
6:15 Handbell Choir - Handbell Room
6:45 Green Street Kids - Blackburn Building
6:45 *Anxious for Nothing* - Blackburn 203
6:45 The Way Forward - Bradshaw Classroom
7:15 Chancel Choir - Choir Room

THURSDAY, MARCH 1

10:30 Upper Room Prayer Intercessors - Charles' Office
7:00 *The Screwtape Letters* - Library

FRIDAY, MARCH 2

7:00 UMM Prayer Breakfast - Asbury Hall

MUSIC AT FIRST SERIES

On Friday, March 2nd, we will continue our concert series with a program for voice and piano featuring Dr. Jami Rhodes, assisted by Dr. Catherine Garner. We will enjoy works of Poulenc, Schumann, de Falla, and Libby Larsen. Dr. Rhodes has one of the finest voices in North Carolina. It is such a privilege for us to have her come to be part of our series. Please bring friends and family to hear this wonderful event.

From the Pastor:

This past Wednesday morning the world mourned the death of Billy Graham at the age of 99. Just seeing or hearing the name brings to mind the voice of the North Carolina preacher inviting people to come to Christ.

In the August 14, 2006 edition of Newsweek appears Jon Meacham's interview of Billy Graham. Meacham was amazed by Dr. Graham's attitude in spite of his deteriorating health and made this observation: "He seems congenitally incapable of surrendering completely to the weakness of the body." One of Dr. Graham's daughters, Ann Graham-Lotz, recounted a conversation with her father on the subject of aging. Her father said, "All my life, I've been taught how to die, but no one ever taught me how to grow old." She replied, "Well, Daddy, you are now teaching all of us."

Graham-Lotz also noted that she had learned an important lesson about aging after observing her father: "When you get older, secondary things, like politics, begin to fall away, and the primary things become primary again. And for Daddy, the primary thing is, as Jesus said, to try to love God totally and to love our neighbor as ourselves."

Once when speaking about what it is to be a Christian, Graham said, "Being a Christian is more than just a righteous conversion – it is a daily process whereby you grow to be more like Christ."

That rings so true with what Jesus said in Mark 8:34-35, "If any want to be my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it."

When you follow Jesus, it means putting your own self-survival in the backseat. The first act of following Jesus is totally re-ordering your priorities and principles to the way of the Kingdom. It's no longer about saving your life. Following Jesus means that your priority is to lose your life.

On the cross you don't just lose your life, but you do so in a wholly unfashionable way. You lose everything. Life. Honor. Pride. But Jesus says that in such loss EVERYTHING is, in fact, gained!

Pastor Bob

UPHOLDING OUR VOWS TO THE CHURCH BY OUR PRAYERS

Remember those in hospitals, nursing and rest homes, the sick and shut in with prayers, cards, calls, and visits.

We extend our love and sympathy to the family of **Rufus Swain** who died Monday, February 19, 2018, in Wilson.

We extend our love and sympathy to the family of **JoAnn McKeel** who died Tuesday, February 20, 2018, in Wilson.

We extend our love and sympathy to the family of **Harry Lamm** who died Wednesday, February 21, 2018 in Wilson.

Presented for baptism at the 11:00 worship service this morning is **Henry Crowell Poland**, son of Ellen and Stuart Poland.

BY OUR PRESENCE ATTENDANCE FEBRUARY 18, 2018

Sunday School - 128
8:45 - 57 ; 9:00 - 91 ; 11:00 - 216
Tuesday Communion - 9 ; Ash Wednesday - 82
Total Worship - 455

BY OUR GIFTS

2018 Operating Budget	\$	1,091,282
Weekly Requirement	\$	20,986
Received February 18th	\$	21,704

BY OUR SERVICE AND WITNESS

Is your Sunday school class looking for a study? Do you want to start a small group or bible study but aren't sure where to start? **There are several studies available for check-out** on the bookshelf right outside of Pastor Bob's office. A few examples include *Creed* by Adam Hamilton, *Uninvited* by Lisa Terkeurst and *Fear of the Other* by William Willimon. To use one of these studies, fill out the sign-out sheet located on the same bookshelf. Also, if you have a study you would like to donate, we would be happy to house it. You may turn it in to the church office.

Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet at the home of Jean Sharpe, Wednesday, February 28, at 2:00. We welcome any who knit or crochet.

The Worship of God Second Sunday in Lent 9:00 Worship Hour

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Sharing in Song *LION AND THE LAMB* Praise Band
WAITING HERE FOR YOU

Announcements

First Lesson Psalm 22:23 - 31

Morning Prayer

Presenting Our Offerings *TRUST IN YOU* Praise Band

WORD FOR THE DAY

Second Lesson Mark 8:31 - 38

Message "Saviors Don't Suffer" Reverend Bergland

OUR RESPONSE

Sending Forth *THIS I BELIEVE* Praise Band

Greeters for February 25th: Shelly and Sean Gibson, Alyssa and Nick Fassnacht

We thank the Praise Band for their ministry this morning.

The Worship of God
Second Sunday in Lent
11:00 Worship Hour

GATHERING

+SHARING THE PEACE

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“Sing Them Over Again to Me”

arr. Brian Childers

+HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 359

“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”

UMH 359

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

UMH 39

+GLORIA PATRI

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.

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS - A short children’s devotion for preschool and elementary children.

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 22:23 - 31

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PRAYER CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Gilbert Martin

(Please sign and pass the attendance pad.)

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God! All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down! Did e’er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; love, so amazing, so divine, demands my soul. My life, my all!

+DOXOLOGY

UMH 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

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+HYMN OF PREPARATION NO. 297

“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

UMH

SECOND LESSON

Mark 8:31 - 38

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MORNING MESSAGE

“Saviors Don’t Suffer!”

Reverend Bergland

HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 2129

“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

FWS

+DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

+A TIME OF SILENCE AND TRINITY CHIMES

+CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Musical Selection for the Organ

+Those who are able, please stand.

The Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God by the Flower Fund.

Participating with the clergy in this morning’s services:

Acolytes: Libby Eagles and Kate Eagles

Crucifer: Mason Blake

Reader: Emory Skinner

Volunteers:

Sound System: Gerald Edge

Greeters for February 25th:

8:45 Narthex: Maggie and Billy Lamm

11:00 Office Area: Barbara Robl

11:00 Narthex: Jean and Buck Yelverton