

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 13, 2016

5th Sunday in Lent

10:30 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

William Elliott

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Acolyte

Call to Worship

“Bless His Holy Name”

Chancel Choir

\*Hymn of Praise

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

FWS 2158

\*Prayer of Confession

*You asked for my hands, that you might use them for your purpose.*

*I gave them for a moment, then withdrew them, for the work was hard.*

*You asked for my mouth to speak out against injustice.*

*I gave you a whisper that I might not be accused. You asked for my eyes*

*to see the pain of poverty. I closed them, for I did not want to see.*

*You asked for my life, that you might work through me.*

*I gave a small part, that I might not get too involved.*

*Lord, forgive my calculated efforts to serve you - only when it is*

*convenient for me to do so, and only with those who make it easy to do so.*

*Father, forgive me, renew me, send me out as a usable instrument,*

*that I might take seriously the meaning of your cross. Amen.*

Children’s Time

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Receiving of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory Prayer

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William Elliott

\*Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 95

\*Responsive Reading

Psalms 126 (UMW 847)

Ron Campbell

\*Scripture

Luke 20:9-19

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Anthem

“Sing! Shout! Alleluia!”

Martin

Chancel Choir

Message

“Rejecting God’s Goodness”

Pastor Brad

Invitation to Discipleship

\*Hymn

“Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”

UMH 301

\*Dismissal with Blessing

\*Choral Benediction

“Make Me a Servant”

Chancel Choir

\*Taking out the Light of Christ

Acolyte

\*Postlude

William Elliott

\*People Stand As Able

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### ILLNESS

Eddie **Abshire**, Joe **Akers**, Fran **Alba**, Andy **Anderson**, Patsy **Arnold**, Jim **Ayers**, Barbara **Bailey**, Janet **Barker**, Charlotte **Bass**, Catherine **Beamer**, Bobbie **Bellamy** (Margaret Elam’s Sister), Dennis **Bennett**, Jim **Betts** (Bronwyn Owen’s Dad), John & Carol **Bohaby**, Edna **Bone**, Suzanna **Bovenizer**, Jim & Ruth **Brewster**, Robin **Calo**, Carol **Cole**, Doug **Cook**, Lester **Coomes**, Doug **Coon**, Debbie & Herbert **Creasy**, Dorothy **Culberston**, Veleda **Davidson**, Anna **Deitrich**, Clint **Dillon**, Richard and Patty **Dillon** (Wade’s Parents), Richard **Dillon, Jr.**, Darlene **Dolin**, Jayce **Evans**, Gertrude **Farmer** (Kimberly Edwards’ Grandmother), Margaret **Farmer**, Vicki **Furrow**, Debbie **Gillespie**, Shirley **Glover**, Laura **Gooch**, Stephanie **Gressett**, Amanda **Griffith**, Gus **Hartsock**, Ginger **Hawkins**, Carrie **Hendrick** (Gerry Stowers’ Granddaughter), Erinn **Hollo**, Arlin **Honaker**, Jim **Houchins**, Trina **Jackson**, Jim **Justice**, Dr. David **Kovach**, Mary Virginia **Lester** (Linda Hash’s Sister), Louise **McVey**, Richard **Morsan**, Ethan **Oliver**, Gary **Pardue**, Phil and Rebecca **Peterson**, Margie **Pruitt** (Irma Webb’s Sister), Patty **Ramage**, Carol **Riddle**, Mark **Riley**, Brian **Rose & Family**, Ruby **Roten**, Deb **Sarver**, Kenny **Sawyers**, Suzette **Sawyers**, Carol **Scott**, Mary Ruth **Scott**, Ruth **Shrader**, Ellie **Spencer**, Roger **Stacey**, Amanda **Stephenson**, Russell **Synan**, Kim **Tinder**, Terry **Trenton** (Nancy Trenton’s daughter-in-law), Dave **Trippett** (Shirley Saunders’ Nephew), Charles **Weaver** (Kimberly Edwards’ dad), Mark **Webb**, John and Betty **White**, Viola **Wilborn**, Edith **Wilkinson**, Ellen **Windle**, Michael & Susan **Williams** (Mary Ruth Scott’s nephew), Ted **Yost**

### OUR MILITARY

Ryan **Shott**, Lucas **Graham**, Jeremy **Woody**, and those serving our country

### HOMEBOUND

Roy **Atkins**, Smokey **Blaylock**, Joe **Davidson**, Leon **Devor**, Syd **Ellison**, Russell **Garrett**, Pat **Jones**, Charles **Miller** (Pam Rose’s father), Wilma **Shay**, Nancy **Trenton**, Irma **Webb**

*Children’s Bulletins are available in the Narthex. One for ages 3-6 and one for ages 7-12.*

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

**Sunday, March 13**

JOY! Service

8:30 a.m.

Sunday School

9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship

10:30 a.m.

Trustees Meeting

5:00 p.m.

Youth

6:00 p.m.

**Monday, March 14**

Finance Committee

**Tuesday, March 15**

Friendship Club

12:00 noon

TOPS

5:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, March 16**

Bible Study

6:00 p.m.

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

7:00 p.m.

**Thursday, March 17**

UMW Unit Meeting

7:00 p.m.

**FRIENDSHIP CLUB** will be meeting in Palmer Hall on Tuesday, **March 15** at noon. Meal will be provided. If you are 55 or older, please make plans to join us for a time of fellowship and games. Should you have any questions, please call Charlotte Rich at 276-322-4572.

**UNIT MEETING** for United Methodist Women will be on March 17 at 7:00 p.m. in Palmer Hall. This is our first quarterly meeting this year. Please come and bring a friend. Myra Yates will be speaking to us about our health. Refreshments will be served.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE** on March 24 at 7:00 p.m.

**ACOLYTE TRAINING** will be held on Sunday, March 20 and Sunday, March 27 during Sunday School. Children in grades K-5 are invited to attend this training.

The Worship Team would like to have **LIVE FLOWERS** on the cross in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday. Please place your flowers on the cross as you come for worship service.

**REVIVAL** scheduled for April 10, 11, and 12 at 7:00 p.m. The pastor will be Rev. Robert Smith from Hillsville UMC. Please be in prayer for these services. Come and bring a friend.

**JUBILATION 2016** is scheduled for April 17-19. This is a retreat for older adults. Registration deadline is March 15. Brochures are available in the church office.

If you wish to place **FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** in memory or in honor of someone, please sign the Flower Calendar outside the office door. Center vase is \$20.00. Side vases are \$15.00 each.

**TRIANGLE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB** is sponsoring **YOUTH DAY** on Saturday, April 23 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for ages 7 to 15. Purpose: To promote the importance of firearm safety and responsibility while at the same time introducing youngsters to proper shooting techniques. Visit their website at [www.triangleonline.org](http://www.triangleonline.org) for additional information.

**RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS – MARCH 2016**

2016 Monthly Budget	\$23,417.00	ATTENDANCE:	
Monthly Tithes & Offerings to Date	\$ 6,499.11	8:30 a.m. Worship	20
Monthly Unbudgeted Receipts to Date	\$ 396.00	10:30 a.m. Worship	145
		Total Worship	165
		Sunday School	48

**SPECIAL THANK YOU**

As I reflect on the many blessings that are mine, one of those is knowing and working with the folks of First United Methodist Church. There is so much to be grateful for. Peg and I want to express appreciation for your many kind expressions, cards, generous gifts, and the luncheon celebration. Our prayer is that God will bless each of you and the ministry of First UMC. Again, thank you for the opportunity to be a part of a wonderful church family. **Pastor Don Scott**



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