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March 1, 2020

First Sunday in Lent

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE: Mary Gugler, Music Director

***INTROIT:** "Surely the Presence of the Lord"

*** REPEAT INTROIT ANNOUNCEMENTS/VISITORS/FAMILIES OF THE WEEK/BIRTHDAYS:** Many happy returns on the day of your birth
May sunshine and gladness be given, and may the dear Father
Prepare us on earth for a beautiful birthday in heaven.

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

L: Happy are those whose transgressions are forgiven.

C: Happy are those who receive God's mercy.

L: Rejoice and be glad, you upright in heart.

C: Shout for joy, you people of God.

L: Let us worship the one who gives us strength to resist
temptation in the wilderness of our lives.

***OPENING PRAYER:**

Walk with us, faithful traveler, as we journey with Christ through the season of Lent. Help us overcome the temptations we face each and everyday. Save us from the time of trial, and send your angels to minister 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.

HYMN OF PRAISE: #359 "Alas and Did My Savior Bleed"***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried, the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 32
Page 395 in pew Bible
Lynn Graves

ANTHEM**SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS****PASTORAL PRAYER****GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS*****OFFERTORY*****PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING****CHILDREN'S TIME*****HYMN OF PREPARATION #364 "Because He Lives"*****SECOND SCRIPTURE READING****WITNESS TO THE WORD*****HYMN OF RESPONSE: #671 "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"****BENEDICTION: "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"**

*Denotes please stand if you are able.

TODAY'S THEME

Today's scriptures tell of the reality of temptation for us all. Weather or not we believe Paul's thought that death entered the human through Adam's transgression, most Christian theologians posit that we have the power to avoid our own temptations. To avoid robbing today's scripture of its theological deep meaning, we must take seriously the scripture's claim that Jesus was tempted by the devil in the wilderness. Focusing on the good that Jesus did would have kept Jesus from his higher purpose. We all can relate to doing a little good when we could be doing much more for the Kingdom of God.

Prayers for our Families of the Week

Steven Austin; Hattie Baird; Paul Carroll; Elaine and Dixon Chipley;
Freida Davis; Bill and Ann Hoofnagle; Carlies Little;
Clarence and Kaye Powell; Robert and Jean Wilson

Please update your prayer requests. Share the good news of healings and update those in need.

Our Ministry in Prayer:

Prayers for our country, state and local leadership, areas of war,
Disasters. Famine, unrest, the homeless, those who are searching.

Prayers for our Active Duty their families and friends:

James Bartran II, USAF, Timothy Keen USA, Michael McClennon
USMC

Scott Moore USCG, Aerick Paxton, USAF David Plessinger, USA

Andrew Manning, USMC

Prayers for our EMS, Fire Departments, First Responders, Teachers

Membership and Budget

Membership	185
Attendance last Sunday	69
Monthly Budget	\$12,290.75
Monthly Total	\$9,061.74
Offering last Sunday	\$1,546.00

Future Scripture Readers and Greeters

March 1 st	Lynn Graves	Psalm 32
March 8 th	Dorinda Paxton	Psalm 121
March 15 th	Barbara McCaughey	Psalm 95
March 22 nd	Norma Jean Matthews	Psalm 23
March 29 th	Gary Ayers	Psalm 130

We are always looking for volunteers to be readers and greeters. This is a great opportunity to get to meet and greet your church Family as they enter the door, and to get an opportunity to read God's Word to the church. We ask that on the Sunday you are to greet and read, that you be at church at 8:45, so that you can say "Good Morning" to everyone as they enter the building. Wear your best smile and welcome your neighbors!!

Sunday Snacks

March 1 st	Linda May
March 8 th	Ed Clark
March 15 th	Bill Hoofnagle
March 22 nd	Catherine and Will Ford
March 29 th	Birthday Cake and covered dish luncheon

There is always coffee and snacks in the social hall after worship service.. Please come and join us!!

LECTIONARY TEXT FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 121; Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17

This Week at PUMC

Sunday	Worship	9:15am
	Adult Sunday School	10:45am
Monday	Golf at Tanglewood	9:30am
	Game Night	6:00-8:00pm
Tuesday	Hand Bell practice	5:00pm
	Choir practice	6:30pm
Wednesday	Bible Study (French's home)	7:00pm
	Al-Anon meeting	7:00pm
	Quilting Group	9:00am
	1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd Wednesdays	
	Woodcarving at Ron Seward's	6:00pm
Thursday	(Rev. Ken's day off	
Friday	Exercise Classes in Social Hall	7:30 & 8:40am
	Walk with Ken at Golf Shop.	7:30 am
	Bible Study at Golf Shop	8:00am

Monthly Events

1 st Sunday	Communion with Service	9:15am
1 st Wednesday	WATCH Night	6:00pm
2 nd Monday	Journey Forward Grief Support	
	at Dowling home	4:00pm
3 rd Monday	Council Meeting	5:00pm
	(Every other month)	
3 rd Thursday	UMM	6:30pm
4 th Monday	UMW	10:00am
Last Sunday	Lunch and Birthday Cake in Social Hall	
	After Service	

Looking Ahead

March 29 th	PUMC choir, bell choir and local churches will perform. More information to come.
April 4 th	Spring Clean Up Day at PUMC 9:00 am until....
April 12 th	Easter Sunrise Service and Church Service Easter Egg hunt after services
April 27-29	Springtime Jubilee at Myrtle Beach, SC. Anyone interested in more information, please see Jan Thrasher.
The website is www.jubileeconferences.com/spring/index.html	
May 4 th	Music Night 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Farmville District Listening Post/Information Session

March 9th South Hill United Methodist Church 6:30 pm

Web information is found at:

<https://www.vaumc.org/SeparationAgreement>

Church Keys

If you have a key to the church, please let Patricia Conner know in order to update list.

Daylight Savings Time begins March 8th. Move clocks forward 1 hour Saturday night.

FYI

If you are a friend of Prospect and would like to be included on the membership and friends list, please get in touch with Annette Jones, cajones@buggs.net or 434-636-2297. If you are interested in joining our fellowship please talk to Rev. Ken 434-955-0253. Annette Jones, Membership Secretary.

Our United Methodist Women and Men would like to invite you to consider joining them in a time of fellowship each month. The UMW and UMM are involved in many local and international mission projects. They are also a great opportunity to get to know some of the people who attend church at a much deeper level. Please pray about allowing God to use you to spread the gospel to the world.

Stewardship is our commitment to God. It involves not only our tithe, it also involves our gifts, our talents, and our time. As God devotes His time to you, let us devote the time and talents to make disciples to truly transform the world. Please note the increase in our budget for 2020. Our budget has increased by \$220.75 per month.

Need Your Help!! The food box/wagon in the front entrance is in need of filling. Please remember to bring your non-perishable food items for **Holly Haven**. Monetary donations are also welcomed and appreciated. Make checks payable to PUMC, Holly Haven in memo.

Trustees for 2020

Patricia Conner – Chairperson

Gary Ayers – Vice Chairperson

Lynn Graves – Secretary

Kate Moreen, Gerry Cluett, Ray Barden, Will Ford, Peggy Donochod and Chris Ruch

BUDGET FOR 2020

The yearly budget of 2020 will be **\$147,489.00**. That's **\$12,290.75** per month which is **\$220.75** more per month than last year. Please be in meaningful prayer about your stewardship for your church.

