

WORSHIP OF GOD
FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

February 21, 2021 Eleven o'clock in the morning

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*Whoever YOU are and wherever YOU are on life's journey,
YOU are welcome here in this church!*

PRELUDE *Come Thou Almighty King* arr. Normand Lockwood

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 25:1-10)

One: To you, O God we lift our souls

ALL: It is in you, O God that we place our trust

One: Teach us your ways O God, help us follow your paths

ALL: Lead us in truth, teach us your way

One: In your mercy and love we pray that you find our worship
acceptable this day.

ALL: Let us worship our God.

HYMN *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* Red Hymnal No. 141

Rather slowly

1. Lord, who through-out these for - ty days, For us didst fast and pray,
2. As Thou with Sa - tan didst con - tend, And didst the vic - tory win,
3. And through these days of pen - i - tence, And through Thy Pas - sion - tide,
4. A - bide with us, that so, this life Of suf - fering o - ver - past,

Teach us with Thee to mourn our sins, And close by Thee to stay.
O give us strength in Thee to fight, In Thee to con - quer sin.
Yea, ev - er - more, in life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bide.
An Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy We may at - tain at last! A-MEN.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(In Unison)*

ALL: We fall before you O God. We humble our hearts as we beseech your forgiveness and hold onto your grace. Life is full of temptations. And we O God, well, we fall into their snares time after time. We don't mean to, sometimes we just aren't paying attention. Other times that we fall it was because we originally had good intentions. Other times we just miss it and fall flat. Forgive us, we pray and fill us with a new and right spirit. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION *(30 seconds of silence is observed for silent confession)*

KYRIE *Lord Have Mercy Upon Us*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Christ, have mercy upon us

Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mercy upon us

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

OUR ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

THE GLORIA PATRI *Glory to God in the Highest*

Glo-ry to God in the high - est! Sing glo - ry to
 God! _____ Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to God's peo - ple on earth! _____

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HEBREW LESSON

Genesis 9:8-17

CHORAL ANTHEM *Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God*

Carl Mueller

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:9-15

One: This is the word of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

SERMON "And So It Begins ..."

Rev. Carol Hallman

HYMN *When Jesus Came to Jordan*

1. When Je - sus came to Jor - dan to be bap - tized by
 2. He came to share temp ta - tion our ut - most woe and
 3. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, aid us to keep the vows we
 John, he did not come for - par - don but
 loss, for us and our sal - va - tion to
 make; this ver - y day in - vade us, and

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as the sin - less one. He came to share re -
die up - on the cross. So when the dove de -
ev - ery bond - age break. Come, give our lives di -

10

pent - ance with all who mourn their sins, to
scend - ed on him, the Son of Man, the
rec - tion, the gift we cov - et most: to

13

speak the vi - tal sen - tence with which good news be - gins.
hid - den years had end - ed, the age of grace be - gan.
share the res - ur - rec - tion that leads to Pen - te - cost.

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

One: May the Spirit of God be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

One: Let us pray.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

The musical score consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the treble clef staff.

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INVITATION

OFFERTORY *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

arr. Ernst Pepping

BLESSING

HYMN *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley*

1. Je - sus walked _____ this lone - some val - ley;
2. We must walk _____ this lone - some val - ley;
3. You must go _____ and stand your tri - al;

he had to walk _____ it by him - self. _____
we have to walk _____ it by our - selves. _____
you have to stand _____ it by your - self. _____

— Oh, no - bod - y else _____ could walk it for him;
— Oh, no - bod - y else _____ can walk it for us;
— Oh, no - bod - y else _____ can stand it for you;

The musical score is in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats. It features a treble clef staff. The melody is simple and hymn-like. There are three verses of lyrics. The second system includes a triplet of eighth notes marked with a '3' above the staff. The lyrics are written below the staff.

he had to walk _____ it by him - self. _____
 we have to walk _____ it by our - selves. _____
 you have to stand _____ it by your - self. _____

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THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Jesus Still Lead On*

arr. Roger C. Wilson

Assisting in Worship

Rev. Carol Hallman, Resident Pastor

Dr. Phillip Burgess, Choir Director ***Susan Trivette***, Organist

TODAY, Sunday, February 21

12:30..... Church Council Meeting

Saturday, February 27

10:00-12:00 Drive-Through Food Drive

Next Sunday, February 28

1:00-3:00..... Drive-Through Food Drive

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Mary Austin, Mabel Barnhardt, Brenda Bernhardt, Betty Bowles (mother of Steve Bowles), Destony Bowles, Steve Bowles, Julia Callaway, Gerri D. Crummett (Donna Odrosky's sister), Sarah Hall (friend of Bobbie Troutman), Gary Hauze (no visits or phone calls, please), Harry & Nancy Hipp, Dawn Isenberg, Anne Kennedy, family of Nancy Knight, Johnnie Lippard (friend of Steve Bowles), Diane Lockhart (Radell Lockhart's mother), Dan Morgan (friend of Steve Bowles), Joseph Najarian (son of Dena & David Najarian), Pat Norris, Donna Odrosky, Flo Peck, Liam Pocock (Pat Norris' grandson), Savannah Price (Larry Bolick's nephew's granddaughter), John & Lucy Robinson, Glenda Shrewsbury, Sarah Shuping, Claire Skinner, Crystal Smith (niece of Bobbie Troutman), Nick Snipes, Bobbie Troutman and family, Jeff Watson (Larry Bolick's nephew), John and Sandy Wagoner, Waylon Ward. ***If you know of anyone who should be added or deleted from our prayer list, be sure and let the office know. If you have prayer concerns, please text, call or email Pastor Carol.***

A reminder that as we are still only meeting online, please don't forget to drop your offering in the mail (207 W. Horah Street, Salisbury, 28144), send through your online banking system, or donate through paypal (there is a link for paypal donations on our website). We continue to need your gifts even when you are not here in person.

Please also remember 5-Alive donations. Your contributions with a notation for the 5-Alive Fund are always needed and appreciated. Giving to the 5-Alive Fund is helpful at any time and is used to help those in our church and within our community.