

ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 19, 2017

Third Sunday in Lent

Gathering

As the congregation gathers, please take a moment to speak to people sitting around you whom you may not know. Hebrews 13:2 (KJV) says, "Be not forgetful to entertain strangers; for thereby some have entertained angels unaware."

Prelude

As the prelude begins let us turn our thoughts and hearts to God in prayer and preparation for worship.

Jessica White, organist

Welcome to Worship

Greeting

* Opening Hymn, UM Hymnal No. 160

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

* Psalter ~ Psalm 95

¹ O come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

³ For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

⁵ **The sea is his, for he made it; for his hands formed the dry land.**

⁶ O come, let us worship and bow down,

let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

⁷ For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Hear the voice of the Lord today!

⁸ Harden not your hearts, as at Mer'ibah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,

⁹ when your fathers tested me, and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.

¹⁰ **For forty years I loathed that generation and said, "They are a people who err in heart, and they do not regard my ways."**

¹¹ **Therefore I swore in my anger that they should not enter my rest.**

* Gloria Patri, No. 70

Meineke

Pastoral Prayer

Minister: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you

Minister: Let us pray

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*

Offertory

* Presentation of Tithes, Gifts & Offerings

* Doxology

UM Hymnal Pg. 95

The Lesson

Romans 5:1-11

Minister: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Getting Better"

Will Thompson

* Affirmation of Faith

Hymnal No. 881

* Hymn of Dedication, UM Hymnal No. 297

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

* Benediction

* Postlude

The greens on the altar are given to the glory of God.

* If able, please stand.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2017 Guest Lenten Ministers

All services are in Spell Chapel and will begin at 6:15 PM

March 22 – Rev. Narcie Jeter – Point Hope UMC, Mt. Pleasant, SC

March 29 – Rev. Jeffrey Salley – Canaan/SandHill UMC, Ridgeville, SC

April 5 – Rev. Mitch Houston

Mission Team Spaghetti Dinner

The Ecuador 2017 Mission Teams are sponsoring a spaghetti dinner again this year on Mar. 30 at 5:30 PM. Dinner will be done cafeteria style or take out and will cost \$10.00/person. All proceeds will go towards covering the cost of the trip June 16-July 1, 2017. Come and enjoy dinner with the team.

God is working hard through this the team this year as we are blessed with having more family units (8) than we have had in the past. We also have 7 youth going this year.

Global Missions has established an ‘Online Giving’ account that would allow the congregation or public to go to Bethany UMC website and directly contribute to support all Global Mission Ministries.

Local Missions All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast

The Local Missions Committee will host its annual All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, Apr. 1 in the Fellowship Hall from 7 - 10 AM. Tickets are \$5 each and are available in the church business office from Local Missions Committee members, or at the door. Join us to enjoy pancakes, sausage, coffee and milk. Proceeds will benefit Bethany’s Global Missions Team. Kitchen volunteers are welcome, we’d love for you to be a part of this fun and rewarding event. For more information, contact Tom Veneziano at 843.851.5343.

Leonardo da Vinci’s “The Last Supper”

Bethany UMC will present The Living Dramatization of Leonardo da Vinci’s ‘The Last Supper, during Holy Week.

The presentation is a moving drama, meant to help people better understand the passion of Christ in the events leading up to His crucifixion.

Two presentations are planned:

- **Holy Thursday, April 13, at 7:30 PM.**, in the Fellowship Hall
- **Good Friday, April 14, at 7:30 PM** in the Fellowship Hall

Communion will be served. The drama is recommended for adults and youth, and a nursery will be provided for children under age four.

Admission is free, but tickets are required. Tickets will be available begging Mar. 19 on the first floor outside of the Fellowship Hall.



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