

SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP

4th Sunday in Lent

March 11, 2018

9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

Time for quiet prayer and meditation . . .
"Be still and know that I am God."

We Come Before God in Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Thornwell

Prelude "Fanfare of Praise" Krug

* Call to Worship

Leader: Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

People: I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Leader: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God,

People: Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever.

(Psalm 146:1-2,5-6)

* Hymn "O Lord, Our God, How Excellent" No. 25

* Prayer of Confession

God our Redeemer, we confess that we are people of ashes and dust. We grumble and complain, even when you have provided all we need. We continue to stumble in darkness, even when you have given light to our path. Forgive us, God of grace. Help us to trust in you, so that we may not perish, but may have eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* Assurance of Pardon

* 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.

God Gives to Us Through His Word

Scripture Reading Psalm 1

Leader: Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

People: But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night.

L: He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither.

In all that he does, he prospers.

P: The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

L: Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

P: For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Anthem "If Ye Love Me" Adult Choir (11:00 a.m.)

Prayer with Children (Three-Year-Olds to 1st Graders may leave for Children's Church)

Scripture Lesson Genesis 17:1-14

Sermon The Beginning and the End XXIX. The Covenant in Our Flesh

Dr. Seel

We Respond to God's Word

* Hymn "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" No. 829

No. 829

No. 581 * Apostles' Creed

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

Call to Prayer "Kyrie" Adult Choir (11:00 a.m.)

Prayers of the People and 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 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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" arr. Mason

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication No. 606

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.

* Hymn "Standing on the Promises" No. 838

* Charge and Benediction

* Benediction Response "Make Us Holy, Make Us Whole"

In your love, make us whole. May we rest in your compassion. Calm the lost, weary soul in the warmth of your love. May your peace fill our hearts. May we know the love of Jesus. By your grace, you console. Make us holy, make us whole. (The congregation is invited to sing with the choir)

* Postlude "Sing to the Lord" Smith

* Congregation Stands

Please write your request, tear off this form, fold, and place in the offering plate.

PRAYER REQUESTS

The Tuesday Morning Prayer Group meets each week at 10:00 a.m. to pray for the EPC family and any other special needs.

Name and date: (optional)

(These are kept confidential!)

Publication Deadlines

Weekly Bulletin

Tuesdays by noon.

Send information to:

jonene@easleypresbyterian.org

Quarterly Newsletter

Send information to:

cynde@easleypresbyterian.org

WELCOME TO VISITORS

If you are visiting today, we would like you to know that it is a privilege to have you with us. It is our hope that you will find a warm welcome and an atmosphere to worship God.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of their children and grandchildren, by Claudia and Carey York.

PALM SUNDAY MEAL

March 25, Noon

Ham, Macaroni & Cheese, Green Beans, Pineapple Casserole, Rolls

Family Name _____

of meals _____

Donations accepted at the door.

Wonderful Wednesday Meal Reservation

March 14, 5:30 p.m.

Pizza, Salad, Dessert

*Prepared by: Real Pizza
Served by: Mary Crittendon
Eddie Crittendon
Carolyn Brice
Stacey Elgin*

Family Name _____

of meals _____

*5 years and up: \$5
Family Cap: \$25*

**Reservation deadline is by 12:00 noon on Mondays!!!
You may call Cynde at 859-4220 or sign up online.**

Standing Reservation
(January 3rd-May 2)**

Family Name _____

of meals _____

EPC NURSERY STAFF

Sherry Erickson Lauren Machen

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS TODAY

9:00 a.m. Worship

Joan Blackwelder

11:00 a.m. Worship

Stacey Elgin

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

(3-Year-Olds—1st Grade)

9:00 a.m. Worship

Sherry Erickson
Rosie Edwards

11:00 a.m. Worship

Laura Anthony
Eric Anthony

First Grade Worship Education

Ginna Lister & Erica Van Wagner

SAFE PLACE MONITOR

Britt Burnett

TODAY'S GREETERS

9:00 a.m.

Phil Barker
Carolyn Brice

10:00 a.m.

Monty Oxendine
Carolyn Brice

11:00 a.m.

Dottie Grantham

MARCH USHERS

9:00 a.m.

Steve Lewis, Head
Mel Thompson, Asst.

11:00 a.m.

Marian Dawkins, Head
Mary Crittendon, Asst.

SOUND & LIGHT

9:00 a.m.

Jay Edwards

11:00 a.m.

Meredith Greene

MEMBER NEWS

We express Christian love and sympathy to Phil Kearns and David Kearns in the death of their mother, Betty Joy Brodrick, who died on March 1, 2018.

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Carolyn Brice
Eddie Crittendon
Mario DiPietro
Kelvin Kears
Monty Oxendine
Scott Wilbanks

Class of 2019

Phil Barker
Floride Caldwell
Johnny Cooper
Chuck Dawkins
Terri French
Dottie Grantham
Phil Lyles
Chris Robinson

Class of 2020

Nick Caldwell
Paul Cook
John Cutchin
Joel Ledbetter
Kathy Lyles
Richard Mintz
Robert Sams
David Weaver

Elder Emeritus: Bill Robinson

Diaconate

Class of 2018

Eric Anthony
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Jay Edwards
Jennifer Graham
Meg Jewell
Steve Lewis
Wilma Shealy
Chris Stover

Class of 2019

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John DuBose
Mimi Edwards
Meredith Greene
Marty Kwasniewski
Heidi Roach
Elizabeth Weaver
Will Young

Class of 2020

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Dustin Coats
Marian Dawkins
Avannah Lewis
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Greg Lucas
Mel Thompson

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