

Service of Worship

First Sunday in Lent

February 26, 2023

Musical Worship Prelude/Lighting of Candles

Welcome and Announcements

Special Music *Goodness of God* Willie Bird

*Time of Greeting/Striking of the Hour

*Responsive Call to Worship

Pastor: Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

People: For the Lord is our God, and we are God's people. The Lord is a great God, we will follow Him in all our ways.

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Children's Story Time

WORSHIP THROUGH MEDITATION

*Hymn of Preparation *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* #15

WORSHIP THROUGH STEWARDSHIP

WORSHIP THROUGH PROCLAMATION

Morning Prayer

Special Music *Children are dismissed for Children's Worship Time* Choir

Scripture Matthew 4:1-11

Sermon *Overcoming Temptation* Rev. Thompson

WORSHIP THROUGH DEDICATION

*Hymn of Invitation *Come to the Altar* Willie Bird

*Benediction

Choral response

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

*Time of Fellowship and Friendly Greeting

*All who are able please stand

Welcome! We welcome all those who worship with us today. If you are a guest, we want to give you a special welcome. **Please fill out a Guest card, located at each end of the pews, and give it to the Minister or place it in the offering plate.** If you are looking for a church home, we would count it an honor to have you make it here. A staffed **Nursery** is available for small children through the doors at the front right side of the sanctuary. We have a **Children's Worship Time** during the "Sermon" time. Children ages 3 yrs. old through fifth grade leave during the Offertory. Children may be picked up from the McFarland Hall following Worship.

Sunday: 10:00 Sunday School

10:55 Worship Service

Monday: 7:00 Cub Scouts

Wednesday: 7:00 Bible Study

7:00 Boy Scouts

Next Sunday: 10:00 Membership

Information class.

For **Operation Christmas Child 2023** in the month of March we are asking for **washcloths and soap.** Please place them in the box in the Narthex.

The CUOC food item for the month of February will be **pasta and tomato or spaghetti sauce.** Please pick up a couple of items with some personal hygiene items and put them in the box in the Narthex.

The new pew cushions have been installed. We are asking for your help with the cost of this project. One pew will cost approximately \$300, and we have 47 pews. Please consider a donation, maybe even "adopting" your favorite pew to cover the cost. Remember to write pew cushion on your checks. Whatever you are able to give is needed and appreciated. Thank you for your faithful giving and God bless you.

Bible Studies are starting back up. The Wednesday night bible study will start March 1 at 7:00 and the Tuesday Learn and Lunch will start March 7 at 10:00. Everyone is invited to come and learn.

LaVerne Maddox, Judy Watson and Mary Griffin will be a part of **Kairos #45** going into the NC Correctional Institution for Women in Raleigh on March 23-26, 2023. Each team member is responsible for raising money for the weekend. The largest expense is the meals. Each meal cost around \$10 and a table would be \$60 for one meal. If you would like to purchase one or more meals, it would be greatly appreciated. Please give the money to either LaVerne, Judy, or Mary. Any donation would be appreciated.

Deacon on Call: David Jordan

Next Sunday: Alan Cox

