



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

First Sunday in Lent

March 10, 2019

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD
WITH THE SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM AND HOLY COMMUNION

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH Mindy Douglas

PRELUDE (Bell Choir) *Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel?* Linda R. Lamb

INTROIT *Hide Not Thou Thy Face* Richard Farrant

Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord, and cast not off thy servants in thy displeasure;

For we confess our sins unto thee and hide not our unrighteousness.

For thy mercy's sake, for thy mercy's sake deliver us from all our sin, deliver us from all our sin,

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***CALL TO WORSHIP** Mindy Douglas

Leader: Early Christians marked the days of Jesus' death and resurrection with great devotion, and it became the Church's custom to prepare for them by observing a season of repentance and fasting. This was called 'Lent,' which means, 'springtime,' reminding us of the season in which the life of God's creation is renewed. Let us pray:

People: **Merciful God, accompany us on our journey through these forty days. Renew us in the gift of baptism that we may die to self daily and rise to walk in newness of life. Strengthen us to fast from all indulgence, to pray for all in need, and to provide for those who are poor. Above all may we find our treasure in the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 415** *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy* *Restoration*

***CONFESSION OF SIN** (remain standing) John Weicher

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession

God of forgiveness, we confess to you all the ways we have fallen short of your desire for our lives.

God, we lift up to you the ways we have failed ourselves, our loved ones, our neighbors, and you.

Give us strength and endurance to turn from our failures and to return to you. In Jesus' name we pray.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

COLLECT FOR THE DAY Jeanne Hervey

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

All: **Dear God, help us to trust in the power of your Holy Spirit, which is our comfort, our ever-present joy, and our source of peace. Open our hearts, Lord Jesus, to your ever-present Spirit. Amen.**

*All who are able, please stand.

PSALM LESSON Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 (Pew Bible, OT Page 548)
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 4:1-13 (Pew Bible, NT Page 61)
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Our Shot" Marilyn Hedgpeth
(*silent reflection*)

***HYMN NO. 375** *Shall We Gather at the River* Hanson Place
(*Children through 1st grade enter worship during hymn.*)

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Marilyn Hedgpeth
Children's Choir Anthem *Feed us, Jesus* John Folkening
Parker Klinck, piano

*Jesus spoke to many folk who sat upon a hill;
They all listened happily, each child sat very still.
Feed us, Jesus, Bread of life, from above.
Feed us, Jesus! Give us your own love.
Jesus said "Now take this bread and fish that I have blessed;
Pass it 'round, there's food for all, Let each one be my guest."
Feed us, Jesus, Bread of life, from above.
Feed us, Jesus! Give us your own love.*

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Luke Braxton Bennett
Words of Scripture

Elder: On behalf of the Session, I present Luke Braxton Bennett to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Questions to the Parents:

Pastor: Ricky and Brianna, do you desire that your child be baptized?
Do you reaffirm your faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior?
Do you renounce evil and affirm your reliance on God's grace?
Relying on God's grace, do you promise to live the Christian faith and to teach that faith to your child?

Parents: **We do.**

Questions to the gathered Children:

Pastor: Do you promise to be a friend to Luke?
If he gets lost will you help him find the way?
If he falls down, will you help pick him up?
Will you share with him the stories of Jesus?

Children: **Yes.**

Question to the Congregation:

Elder: Do you, as members of the Church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Luke by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging him to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of Christ's church?

Congregation: **We do.**

(As you are able, please stand.)

***Affirmation of Faith** *(in unison)*

The 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.

(You may be seated.)

Thanksgiving over the Water

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: Let us pray. We give you thanks, Eternal God, for you nourish and sustain all living things by the gift of water. In the beginning of time, your Spirit moved over the watery chaos, calling forth order and life. We thank you, O God, for the water of baptism: in it we are buried with Christ in his death; from it we are raised to share in his resurrection; through it we are reborn by the power of the Holy Spirit. Send your Spirit to move over this water that it may be a fountain of rebirth. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon Luke that he may have power to do your will, and continue forever in the risen life of Christ. To you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, be all praise, honor, and glory, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

Baptism

Mindy Douglas

Anointing

Marilyn Hedgpeth

Introduction

Mindy Douglas

(Following the baptism, children may rejoin their parents in the pews or return to childcare.)

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Invitation to Offering

Mindy Douglas

Offertory Anthem

Lord, for Thy Tender Mercy' Sake

Richard Farrant

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge, but forgive what is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives. To decline from sin, and incline to virtue, that we may walk in a perfect heart before thee now and evermore. Amen.

***Doxology** (Hymn No. 108, verse 5)

Divinum Mysterium

O ye heights of heaven, adore him. Angel hosts, his praises sing.

Powers, dominions, bow before him, and extol our God and King.

Let no tongue on earth be silent; every voice in concert ring, evermore and evermore!

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

John Weicher and Cherrie Henry

Leader: Come, all you who are loved by God.

Come to the table of the Lord.

Come and eat food with no cost.

Come and drink with no money to pay.

People: **We come to eat, to drink, and our hearts are glad.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: Yes, dear Lord our God, our hearts truly are glad, and we are filled with thankfulness, because in your great love you did not abandon us in the dark and fearful places of this world, but in Jesus, you came to us, to rescue us, to restore us, and to give us new life.

People: **All who are tired and burdened, all who are frightened and unsafe, all who are sick and broken, can come and find new life.**

Leader: We remember the way that Jesus showed us his love: On the evening before he died, he had supper with his friends. During the meal, he took the loaf of bread, gave thanks for it, broke it and then passed it around with these words:

People: **This is my body broken for you. Eat this and remember me.**

Leader: And, after the meal, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks for it and then passed it around with these words:

People: **This is my blood shed for you. Drink this and remember me.**

Leader: And now, every time we eat bread and drink wine like this, we remember Jesus, and his everlasting love. Friends, these are the gifts of God, for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(in unison)*

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

*THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

(As you come forward to receive the elements, please bring your blessing bags/supplies and place them in the baskets. Note: gluten/peanut-free bread is served at the station to the right, in front of the lectern.)

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: **Amen.**

Voluntary (Bell Choir)

Shall We Gather at the River

Margaret R. Tucker

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

John Weicher

Leader: Now come, all you who are loved by God. Hear the call to serve others as God has served you; hear the invitation to be part of God's plan to rescue the world. Join the community of those who walk in the footsteps of God.

People: **Lord God of world-changing love, we thank you for this meal, and for welcoming us to your table. We remember that we are your children, and that you have called us to share your love with everyone we meet. Help us to receive your life, walk in your strength, and follow your ways every moment of our lives.**

Leader: May God's caring arms embrace us, Jesus' comforting words fill us, and the Holy Spirit's renewing presence surround us today and always.

All: **Amen.**

*HYMN NO. 165

The Glory of These Forty Days

Erhalt Uns, Herr

(Visitors, feel free to excuse yourselves from worship during this hymn if you do not wish to remain for the meeting.)

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

Mindy Douglas

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Marilyn Hedgpeth

A Reminder to Worshippers: *Vox Virorum Men's Chorus* and *Kidznotes' Haydn, Copland, and Vivaldi Choirs* will offer a free (donations accepted for Kidznotes) concert in the sanctuary at 3:00 p.m. today. As you exit your pew, please kindly recycle your bulletin and pick up any inserts, children's drawings, personal trash, etc. and take these with you. Returning hymnals and Bibles to the pew racks is also very helpful. Thank you for leaving the sanctuary presentable for our guests.

The Children's Choir will not practice following worship today.

First Presbyterian Church welcomes all who worship here. We honor and celebrate the human diversity and unity that God gives us in Christ. We welcome individuals of every age, race, nationality, gender, ability, sexual orientation, and economic circumstance to participate fully in the life of the church. So that we may better know each other, please sign the *Ritual of Friendship pad*, pass it along the center pew across to the shorter side pew, and then **return it to the starting point**, noting the names of those sitting near you. On March 3, we welcomed 17 visitors to worship.

The *Sacrament of Baptism* is being celebrated for *Luke Braxton Bennett*, son of *Richard Braxton Bennett, Jr.* and Andrea *Brianna Honea Bennett*.

The *flowers* are given to the glory of God by *Marcia, Stephen, and David Lorimer* in loving memory of *Bill Lorimer* on the occasion of his birthday.

The *Pulpit Paraments*: In 2012 First Presbyterian Church commissioned Laurie Wohl to design and create paraments to be hung from the pulpit and lectern during Lent and Advent. Wohl is an internationally known fiber artist who exhibited her work at the church in spring of 2012. Her liturgical projects emphasize the "threads that bind" and the unity of the Old and New Testaments. We are grateful that the bequest of Anne 'St. Clair' Williams made it possible to enhance our sanctuary with these beautiful works of art.

The *Lenten Banner* was completed in 1990 and dedicated in 1991. It depicts traditional Lenten symbols. The banner was made possible by funds donated in memory of *Bess Bryant* and by the stitching of many devoted members of this congregation.

Our *Paschal Candle on the stained red oak stand*, crafted by Marklin Candle Design of Contoocook, New Hampshire and given in memory of *Elder Ed Kwon*, is a visible sign of God's enduring presence in our beautiful century-old Sanctuary. Rooted in Passover (Pesach) and adopted by early Christians, the lit Candle represents the Risen Christ's triumph over darkness and death, His resurrection, to become the Light of the World. The beeswax candle is inscribed with a Cross, an *alpha* and *omega*, and the current year, symbols attesting to Christ's presence among us now and always. Traditionally, the Candle, reminding us that we are preeminently an Easter People, is lit during worship services throughout the fifty days of Eastertide from Easter to Pentecost, as well as at Baptisms where it signified that we are crucified and resurrected with Christ, and at funerals and memorial services where it visually proclaims Paul's message in Romans 6: 3-4 that "all of us who have been baptized into Jesus Christ . . . have been buried with him . . . into death, so that just as Christ was raised from the dead . . . , so we too might walk in newness of life."

Nursery care for infants to 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Education Building. Following "*A Time with Children*," children can remain in worship with their parents/guardians or return to the nursery. There is a changing table in the narthex, to the left as you exit the rear of the sanctuary.

Worship bags and activity bulletins are available in the foyer for children. Books are on the pews in the narthex for young children to read and enjoy should they need a break from the service.

Portions of *today's worship texts* were reprinted from *Book of Common Worship*. The *communion liturgy* is copyrighted 2005 by John van de Laar.

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Sunday, March 17 - Second Sunday in Lent

REACH OUT SUNDAY - "Invite a Friend to Church" Day

Some things in life are better when you share them. Join in the fun for FPC's Reach Out Sunday and experience the friendly faces, beautiful music, and timely message the best way we know how: together. Invite your family members, neighbors or co-workers, and their children as well. New members will be welcomed in worship. A Congregational Lunch will be held following worship in Watts-Hill Hall. Donations will be received to offset meal costs. Remember to bring blessing bags or supplies on Sundays during Lent.

~ Our Concerns ~

Added this week: *Mercy Ndambiri*, recovering from foot surgery
Fran Bryant

Recovering at Home:

Margaret Mubanga *Joseph Ngumi*

Franzi Rokoske *Karen Swope*

Mickey and Bob Velkey

Carolyn and Jim Wolfe

Care Communities:

Brookdale Durham: *Julian Boswell, Becky Crockett*

Croasdaile Pavilion: *Bette Conroy, Bob Rankin*

Durham Regent: *John Kerr, Ann Prospero*

Pruitt Health at Carolina Point, Durham: *Helen Garrison*

The Forest at Duke: *Fran Bryant*

Family and Friends of Church Members and Staff:

Camilla Crampton, friend of Mal King

Dolly Douglas, grandmother of Mindy Douglas

Rev. Mary McKey, friend of Judy and Al Arrowood

~ Serving Today ~

Liturgist: *Jeanne Hervey*

Baptism Elder: *Cris Rivera*

Narthex Greeter: *Maxie Honeycutt*

After Worship Greeters: *Tom Bacon* (narthex/rear); *Gray Wilson* (side/font)

Ushers: *Emily Wilkins* (head), *Mary-Jo Keenan* (flowers), *Katy Barron* (counter),

Laurie Williamson, Ginny Widmark, Kathy Conner

Communion Elders:

Head/replenish elements: *Gray Wilson*

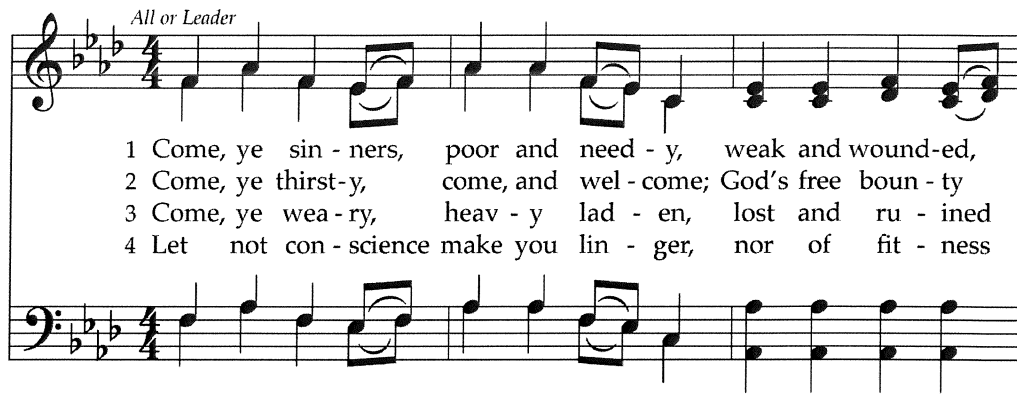
Bread: *Leah Graves* (B1/process), *Alice Raney* (B2), *Lenore Champion* (B3), *George Bernhardt* (B4)

Cup: *Dewey Lawson* (C1), *Griffin Momsen-Hudson* (C2/process), *Karen Romines* (C3), *Tyler Momsen-Hudson* (C4)

Shepherds: *Brent Curtis* (center aisle), *Sigfried Fullenkamp* (font aisle), *Lea Bingham* (pulpit aisle)

415 Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

All or Leader

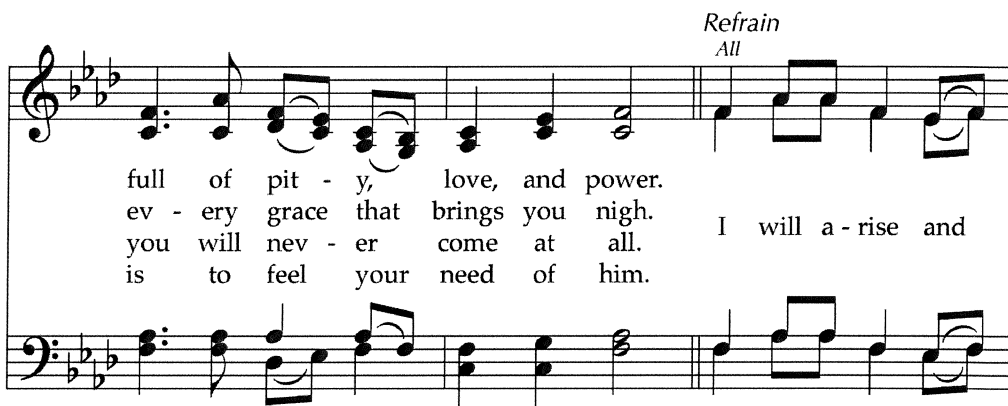


1 Come, ye sin - ners, poor and need - y, weak and wound-ed,
2 Come, ye thirst-y, come, and wel - come; God's free boun - ty
3 Come, ye wea - ry, heav - y lad - en, lost and ru - ined
4 Let not con - science make you lin - ger, nor of fit - ness

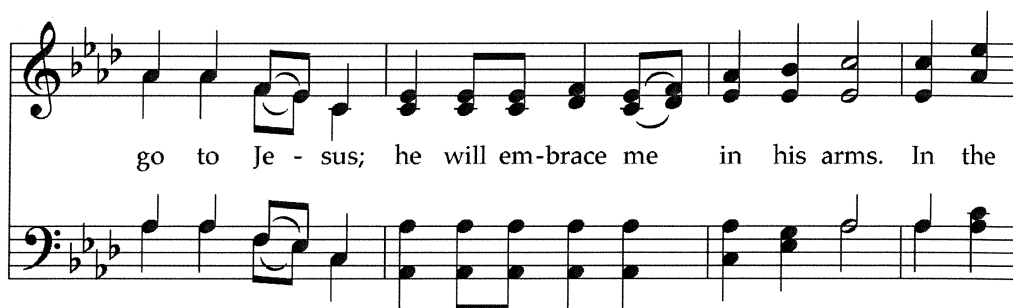


sick and sore; Je - sus read - y stands to save you,
glo - ri - fy, true be - lief and true re - pen - tance,
by the fall; if you tar - ry till you're bet - ter,
fond - ly dream; all the fit - ness he re - quir - eth

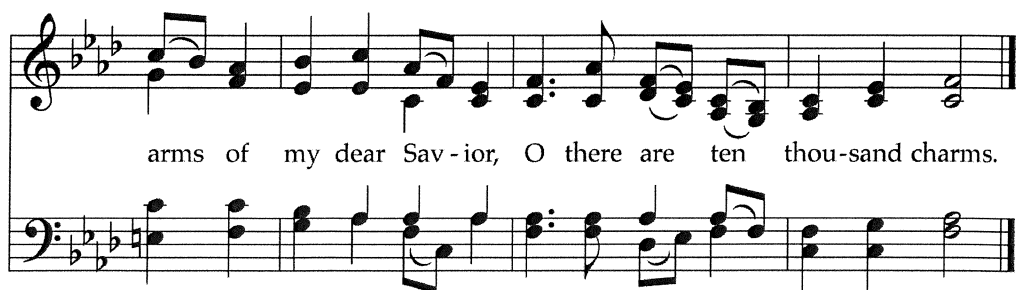
Refrain
All



full of pit - y, love, and power.
ev - ery grace that brings you nigh. I will a - rise and
you will nev - er come at all.
is to feel your need of him.



go to Je - sus; he will em-brace me in his arms. In the



arms of my dear Sav - ior, O there are ten thou - sand charms.

375 Shall We Gather at the River



1 Shall we gath-er at the riv-er, where bright an-gel feet have trod,
2 On the mar-gin of the riv-er, wash-ing up its sil-ver spray,
3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv-er, lay we ev-ery bur-den down;
4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv-er; soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



with its crys-tal tide for-ev-er flow-ing by the throne of God?
we will walk and wor-ship ev-er, all the hap-py gold-en day.
grace our spir-its will de-liv-er, and pro-vide a robe and crown.
soon our hap-py hearts will quiv-er with the mel-o-dy of peace.



Refrain



Yes, we'll gath-er at the riv-er, the beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv-er;



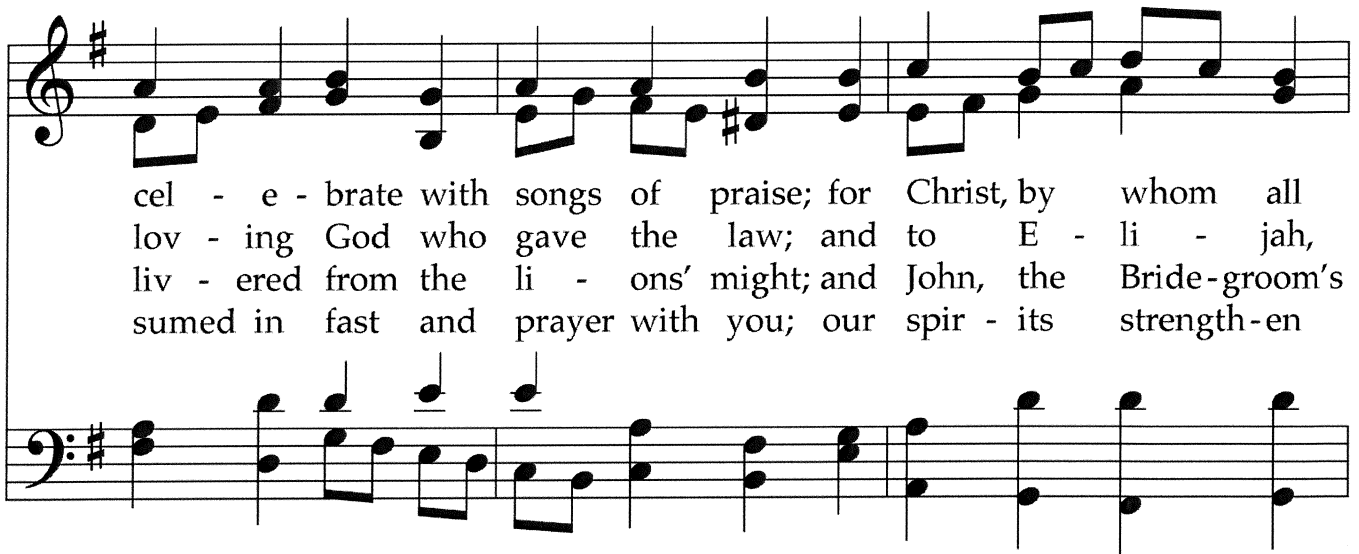
gath-er with the saints at the riv-er that flows by the throne of God.



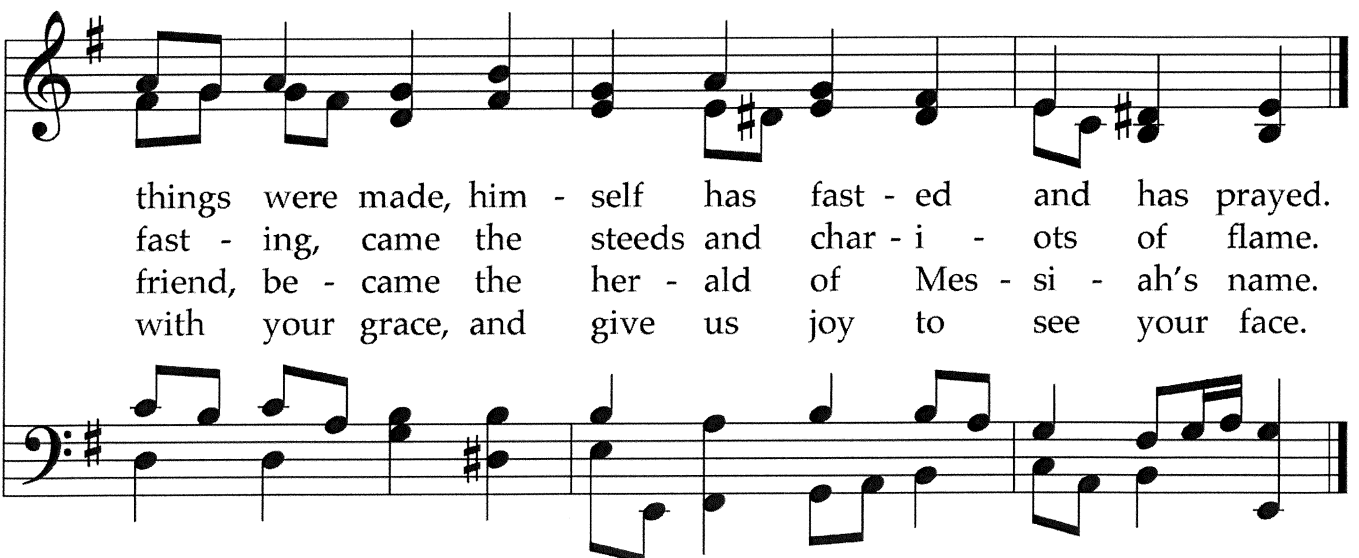
165 The Glory of These Forty Days



1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we
2 A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the
3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de -
4 Then grant that we like them be true, con -



cel - e - brate with songs of praise; for Christ, by whom all
lov - ing God who gave the law; and to E - li - jah,
liv - ered from the li - ons' might; and John, the Bride-groom's
sumed in fast and prayer with you; our spir - its strength-en



things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.
fast - ing, came the steeds and char - i - ots of flame.
friend, be - came the her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.
with your grace, and give us joy to see your face.

Sunday, March 24

3:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, Durham

A ONE-MAN DRAMATIC PRESENTATION

"We Shall Not Sleep"

Produced, created, and performed by Gary Giles, in this one-act tour-de-force for a single actor/singer on a bare stage, Giles portrays three of the most influential and iconic men of the African American culture and historic landscape: *Frederick Douglas, William Still, and Martin Luther King, Jr.*

Help for those who mourn . . .

Growing thru Grief offers year-round support for those who have lost a loved one. Beginning March 12, Aaron Klink, Chaplain and Bereavement Coordinator at Pruitt Hospice in Rocky Mount, will lead a six-week series on the Introduction to Grief. His topics are:

- March 12 Grief and the New World after Loss
- March 19 The Geography of Grief — Returning Spaces
- March 26 Relearning Relationships with the Living
- April 2 Relearning our Relationship to the Dead
- April 9 Relearning Ourselves
- April 16 Relearning the Vision for the Future

Growing thru Grief is a free, open, confidential program with meetings held year-round on Tuesdays (except for holidays) at **St. Paul's Lutheran Church**, 1200 W. Cornwallis. We gather at 4:00 p.m. for registration, coffee, and cookies; the meetings start at 4:30 and end by 6.



It's time to get our team together to walk in this year's Durham CROP Walk for hunger relief.

The 45th Durham CROP Hunger Walk

Sunday, April 7

beginning at 2:30 p.m. from Duke Chapel

Not able to walk this year? Support FPC's team by sponsoring a walker. Please make checks payable to Durham Crop Walk and give to the person you are sponsoring. For more information about this event, go to: <http://durhamcropwalk.org/the-walk/>. To sign up to walk and/or make a donation, go online to: <https://goo.gl/6S4VcN>. You can also sign up after worship on Sundays in the foyer. Contact **Jody Maxwell**, FPC's coordinator this year, if you have questions.

The Week at a Glance!

<p>Later Today</p> <p>4:30 – 5:30 PM Scratch Bible Study and Tea at the home of Elizabeth Klinck</p> <p>5:00-7:00 PM Youth Flour War (offsite)</p>	<p>Monday, March 11</p> <p>8:00 – 8:45 AM H S Youth at Starbucks</p> <p>5:30 PM Christian Education</p> <p>6:00 PM Property</p> <p>6:30 PM Service & Mission</p> <p>7:00 PM Worship & the Arts</p>	<p>Tuesday, March 12</p> <p>12:00 – 12:30 PM Lenten Prayer Service and Guided Meditation (Sanctuary)</p> <p>1:30 PM Worship Planning</p> <p>2:30 PM FPC Staff</p>	<p>Wednesday, March 13</p> <p>2:30 – 4:00 PM High School Youth Early Release Sabbath Coffee</p> <p>5:00 PM Handbell Choir</p> <p>7:00 PM Chancel Choir</p>
<p>Thursday, March 14</p>	<p>Friday, March 15</p> <p>7:00 – 9:00 AM FPC at Urban Ministry's Community Kitchen</p> <p>12 Noon – 1:00 PM Lenten Study: "Jesus and the Disinherited"</p>	<p>Saturday, March 16</p> <p>9:00 AM – 12 Noon Landscaping and Grounds Workday</p>	<p>Sunday, March 17 St Patrick's Day ✦ REACH OUT SUNDAY "Invite a Friend to Church"</p> <p>9:30 AM Session Meeting</p> <p>9:45 AM Sunday School</p> <p>11:00 AM Worship with Communion (New members welcomed)</p> <p>After Worship: Congregational Lunch</p> <p>12:15 – 12:45 PM Children's Choir</p> <p>4:30 – 5:30 PM Scratch Bible Study and Tea at the home of Elizabeth Klinck</p> <p>4:30 – 6:30 Middle School Youth Group</p> <p>4:45 – 6:15 PM Parents' Night Out</p>

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