

Order of Worship
February 17, 2019 – 11:00 a.m.
Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome & Announcements

Introit: “Awesome God” insert

PRAISE AND ADORATION

Call to Worship: (responsively) (based on Psalm 1:1-3)

Leader: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

People: Happy are those who delight in the law of the LORD, and who meditate on his law, day and night.

Leader: They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season,

People: Their leaves do not wither, even in the hottest sun. In all that they do, they prosper.

*Hymn: “Morning Has Broken” # 469

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (in unison) (W.E.B DuBois: “Give Us Grace”)

Give us grace, O God, to dare to do the deed which we well know cries to be done. Let us not hesitate because of ease, or the words of men’s mouths, or our own lives. Mighty causes are calling us – the freeing of [men and] women, the training of children, the putting down of hate and murder and poverty – all these and more. But they call with voices that mean work and sacrifices and death. Mercifully grant us, O God, the spirit of Esther, that we say: I will go unto the King and if I perish, I perish. Amen.

Confession Response: “**Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.**” # 574

Assurance of Pardon

Greeting One Another

*Response “Gloria Patri” # 579

HEARING THE WORD

Let the Children Come

Choral Music

Scripture Reading: Luke 6:17-26

Sermon: “Blessings and Woes”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn: “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee” # 310

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer (Adapted from Coretta Scott King: “A Public Prayer for Divine Perspective”)

Eternal and everlasting God, who is the Father of all mankind, as we turn aside from the hurly-burly of everyday living, may our hearts and souls, yes our very spirits, be lifted upward to You, for it is from You that all blessing comes. Keep us ever mindful of our dependence upon You, for without You our efforts are nothing. We pray for Your divine courage. We pray for more faith, and above all we pray for more love. May we somehow come to understand the true meaning of Your love as revealed to us in the life, death and resurrection of Your son and our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ. May the Cross ever remind us of Your great love, for greater love no man has given. This is our supreme example, O God. May we be constrained to follow in the name and spirit of Jesus. ...

Offertory and Presentation of Gifts to God

*Doxology # 592

*Prayer of Dedication

Affirmation of Faith: 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 Spirit, 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 Spirit, the holy universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn: "Blessed Assurance"

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*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response: **"God be with you 'til we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you; with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you 'til we meet again."**

Welcome Visitors, we invite you to sign our guest register located on the book stand to the right before you enter the sanctuary. If you would like to join this congregation, please speak with Pastor Yvonne Thurmond after the service.

Calendar of Events

See the insert.

Ministry with the Children

Today – Heather Kramer (sermon), Lelia Bruder (downstairs)
Next Sunday (February 24th) – Ruth Pershing (sermon), Lelia Bruder (downstairs)

Yvonne M. Thurmond, Pastor – 828-544-5076 (home)
Mary Lou Furr, Pianist and Choir Director
Rachel Marler, Organist

The Session:

Class of 2019

Lelia Bruder
Kathy Staton

Class of 2020

Judy Galey
Anita Woods

Class of 2021

Ann Dietz
Grace Glenn
Ruth Pershing

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In Ministry Together for the Glory of God

"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Now those who belong to Christ Jesus live by the Spirit", so let us speak and act in ways which show the gifts of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Adapted from Galatians 5:22-23 & 25