

5th Sunday in Lent March 26, 2023 9:30 AM



Gathering

Welcome

Procession

*Call to Worship

One: Let us worship God, who has done great things.

All: We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert of this world.

One: Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.

All: We are people God has formed through Christ; we worship him, and we rejoice

One: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

All: We praise God for the grace that has saved us. Alleluia! We rejoice!

*Opening Hymn “Trust and Obey” UMH 467

*Opening Prayer

O merciful Father, in compassion for your sinful children you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the Savior for the world. Grant us grace to feel and to lament our share of the evil that made it necessary for him to suffer and to die for our salvation. Help us by self-denial, prayer, and meditation to prepare our hearts for deeper penitence and a better life. And give us a true longing to be free from sin, through the deliverance won by Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

Joys and Concerns

Special Music

Scripture Reading Romans 8:6-11

*Hymn “Spirit Song” UMH 347

Scripture Reading John 11:1-45

Sermon *A Life and Death Matter* Pastor Sam

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

*Closing Hymn “Standing on the Promises” UMH 374

*Blessing and Benediction

*Recessional Hymn

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We invite you to keep the following people in your prayers

Joan Alsever, **Miriam Baker**, Tammy Baskaran, Bob Reed's cousin Lydia, Bruce Beckman, Chris Billings, Yvonne Boone family, Michael Brick, family of Michael Britt, Richard Blood, **Libby Bowerman**, Roy Callahan, **Dave Calloway**, Csanady Family, Darlene Cushman's family, Family of Sheila Davis, Steve Dawson, Family of Bill Dietz, family of Mary Edmundson, Jessica Favret, Pat Finley, Family of Baby Graham Geschke, Lynn Gibbons, Brenda and Georges Guerrier, Anna Marie Hall, **Mark Hardy**, Rose Hatten, Ellie Hunter, family of Dean Jestes, Kurek family, Carol Levigne, Billy Lewis, Ed Massey, Henry Meyers, family of Kirk Miller, Craig Moore, Brian Morton, Gail Phillips Smith and Miles Smith, Theresa Schmitt and the Mullins children, Mark Poerttner, Family of Bob Quisenberry, Scott Robert, Dana Rosendahl, **Russell Rueling**, Family of Ed Scott, Julie

Shachochis, Pat Sievers, Bob Smith, **Spicher family**, Nancy Talbot, Sharon Truedel, Don Weinberg, Family of Harding Wescott, David Whye, Bud Whitehead, Jamie Whitehead, family of Mary Francis Whitehead, family of Reds Williams, Tom Wimsatt

Long-term prayer concerns: Karyn Brandel, Coolidge Family, Cunningham Family, Jerry Fowler, Karen Goles, Shirly Graham, Richard Giffin, Carrie Harrison, Robin Jones, Barbara Maury, Anna Catherine Miller, Michael Smith, Dustin Summers, Ryan Whitehead and his family, Tony Zile

Thank you to our Greeters and Ushers – Ron and Shannon Whitehead

Thank you to our Liturgist – Brooks Morton

Bible Study Opportunities

- Sunday School – following the service at Emory
- 10 AM Monday at Gary Memorial – He Took the Nails
- 10 AM Tuesday at Emory – The Last Days of Jesus
- 6:30 PM Tuesday at Gary Memorial – He Took the Nails

Mission Outreach: The homeless shelter on Route 1 is in need of men's jeans - waist size 30" 31" and 32" in any length.

Jean Reed is collecting prescription bottles of all sizes...