THE SANCTUARY

Fifth Sunday in Lent • March 17, 2024 • 8:45 AM & 11 AM

GATHERING

Sellers

CENTERING

"Surely the Presence of the Lord"

The congregation is encouraged to join in singing with the choir.

"Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;

I can feel His mighty power and His grace.

I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face; surely the presence of the Lord is in this place."

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* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* GREETING

Leader: We do not have a high priest who is unable to

sympathize with our weakness,

People: but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we

are, yet without sin.

Leader: Let us therefore approach the throne of grace

with boldness,

People: so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help

in time of need.

* HYMN

"Depth of Mercy"

No. 355

Malambri

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Dusenbury

"The Apostles' Creed"

No. 881

* GLORIA PATRI

"Glory Be to the Father"

No. 71

* WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

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(8:45) Terry Gibson and Cindy Presnell
(11 AM) Susan Stade

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus, we confess that by silence and ill-considered word, we deny you. We confess that because of distractions and out of self-protection, we avoid you. We confess our allegiance to people and causes competes with, even threatens, our allegiance to you. And, yet, we confess you our Lord, Savior, and King. Forgive us for not always treating you as such. We have no King, Savior, or Lord, but you.

A Moment for Silent Confession

WORDS OF PARDON

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us remission of sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

LENTEN MEDITATION "Wonderful Songs of Grace"

"Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within; grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin! Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found, was blind by now I see. Through many dangers, toils, and snares. Grace that is greater than all my sin! 'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far. Grace that is greater than all my sin. Wonderful grace of Jesus, greater than all my sin. Years I spent in vanity and pride, caring not my Lord was crucified, knowing not it was for me He died at Calvary. Mercy great was there and grace was free. Pardon there was multiplied to me, There my burdened soul found liberty at Calvary. Wonderful grace of Jesus, greater than all my sin! How shall my tongue describe it, where shall its praise begin? Taking away my burden, setting my spirit free; for the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me. Wonderful the matchless grace of Jesus, deeper than the mighty rolling sea, higher than the mountains, sparkling like a fountain, all sufficient grace for even me. Broader than the scope of my transgressions, greater far than all my guilt and shame. O magnify the precious name of Jesus, praise his name! O wonderful grace, marvelous grace, glorious grace of Jesus! Broader than the scope of my transgressions, greater far than all my guilt and shame. O magnify the precious name of Jesus, praise his name! Sing praise to Jesus, Praise His name! Praise the name of Jesus!

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OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 52:13-53:7

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

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GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 27:11-14

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SERMON

"Whose Trial?"

Malambri

OFFERTORY

"Lamb of God"

Paris/arr. Raney

* DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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All things come from you, O God, and with gratitude we return to you what is yours. You created all that is, and with love formed us in your image. When our love fails, your love remains steadfast. In gratitude for all your gifts, we offer you ourselves, and all that we have, in union with Christ's offering for us. Grant that our humble offerings of thanksgiving will be multiplied by your Holy Spirit and used for

* HYMN

"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"

No. 301

* BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE AND RECESSIONAL

Christ's ministry to all the world. Amen.

Please remain in place and join in singing.

"Lift High the Cross" Lift high the cross,

the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

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* POSTLUDE

"Be Thou My Vision"

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*Rise in body or spirit.

THE HARBOR

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WELCOME

Brown

* SONG

"Great Things"

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

* SONG

"God of Wonders"

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"The Apostles' Creed"

CELEBRATION OF GIFTS

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (8:45)

James and Carlie Fletcher, Michael and Irene Fisher

Michael and Debra Ward

(11:00)

Deborah Harrell

SONG

"The Lord's Prayer"

SCRIPTURE MESSAGE Mark 15:6-20
"Too Right To Be Wrong"

Brown

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

* SONG

"I Speak Jesus"

* ANNOUNCEMENTS

* BENEDICTION

- Sermon Notes -

BELIN MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A Stephen Ministry Church

Clergy: Will Malambri, Isaac Dusenbury, J.T. Brown Ministers: Belin Congregation Minister Emeritus: Harold Lewis Pastoral Cabinet: Mike Alexander, Keith Clarke, Sam Hale, Becky Forrest, Wayne Sayre, Connie Stinson

Announcements

- Deepest sympathy is extended to Lynn and Steve Jandron, family and friends on the death of Lynn's son, Nicholas, of Florida. Nicholas is survived by his wife, Sophia.
- The **Easter Egg Hunt** is a time-honored tradition that sparks excitement and fosters a sense of togetherness among our community members. We've got a whole bunch of activities lined up, guaranteed to make this Easter one to remember. From hunting eggs to decorating cookies, there's something for everyone to enjoy. So, what's in store for you at our Easter bash? Belin Memorial will have an egg hunt, games and everyone will meet the Easter Bunny. Come and enjoy the Easter celebration on Saturday, March 23, 10 AM.
- The annual **Good Friday Fish Fry** is Friday, March 29, in the Family Life Center. Lunch is from 11:30 AM 1 PM, and dinner is from 5 PM 6:45 PM. Tickets can be purchased in advance in the church office, Family Life Center, or from any member of United Methodist Men. Fish plates will include french fries, hushpuppies, and coleslaw. Volunteers are also needed for this event. If you are interested in helping, text Bill Keesee (843.458.9165). Fish Fry ticket sales start today.
- 2024 Blessing of the Inlet t-shirts are now on sale. Proceeds benefit our youth ministries. Wearing this shirt is a simple way to witness our love for God and others while representing Belin Memorial and our community. The cost of the t-shirt \$15.
- Easter Lilies order deadline is tomorrow Monday, March 18. If you have questions please call the church office (843.651.5099).

Dates to Remember

- March 17, MS 5 PM, HS 6 PM: Youth Group (FLC)
- March 18, 10 AM: Bridge (FLC)
- March 18, 1 PM: Art Angels (FLC)
- March 19, 7 AM: Youth Prayer Breakfast (Chick-fil-A)
- March 19, 9 AM: Sweetgrass Baskets (FLC)
- March 19, 10 AM: Mahjong (FLC)
- March 20, 7:45 AM: Man 2 Man (FLC)
- March 23, 10 AM: Easter Egg Hunt (Field of Faith)

In Worship Together

Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ.

Our Vision: To be a place for you to discover love, find purpose, and make a difference.

Our Journey: To connect, grow, and serve.

Wednesday Lenten Service

This Wednesday, March 20, at 12 Noon

in The Sanctuary, we welcome Rev. Mark Ale a member of the Belin Pastoral Cabinet. Join us in person or online at *belinumc.org*.

The noon service is followed by a light lunch in the Family Life Center for \$6.



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