

Fairview Moravian Church



Third SUNDAY IN LENT

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Watchword of the Week:

*For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing,
but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.*

1 Corinthians 1:18

Prelude

How Great Thou Art

Arr. Whitworth

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Tony Hayworth

Call to Worship

This is the third step on our Lenten Journey.

It is on this journey that we will face our greed and selfishness

It is on this journey that God will confront us.

Our hearts are ready to receive God.

Come, then, and let us move forward toward the Cross.

Let us faithfully and confidently follow Jesus. AMEN.

Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Tony

Liturgy of Celebration, page 43

Linda Mathers

In the beginning was God -- creating, giving birth to the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and in darkness. But God spoke into the emptiness, and light appeared: the dawn of our beginnings. God kept creating --flowers, trees, seeds, and fruit: things that blossom and things that grow. God created more -- life that crawled and life that swam, life that sprang on hooves, and life that soared on wings!

The sun, the moon, the stars burst forth as light; the skies and the earth were filled with life -- plants, creatures, and birds of every kind. And God rejoiced saying: It is good!

From the midst of this earth came yet another creature, created in God's image. There in the bounty of the garden God crafted humanity -- male and female. God breathed into them life-giving breath. God looked upon these creatures with love and said: It is good! Then God rested, seeing and loving what had been done, setting free this creation with all its potential for good and evil.

Gracious God, thank you for the goodness of creation -- for the variety, the beauty, and the delicate complexity of life, your creation! Forgive us for the times we have not appreciated or cared for all you have given to us. Open our eyes; restore our hearts; and bring us back into relationship with you, the earth, and all of life.

O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee:
how great thou art, how great thou art!
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The diversity of life is nowhere more profound than among human beings. We are many colors, shapes, and ages. Language, music, culture, and custom vary among us. We are a great tapestry woven from God's love.

Artful Weaver, you ask that we share your love with others, just as Jesus reached out and loved those most different from himself. Too often we fall short of this call, seeing differences as cause for fear rather than for celebration. Instead of caring for the tapestry, we unravel the fabric of your design. We perpetuate divisions by race and color, culture, class, and gender.

We give you thanks and praise that Jesus reveals your boundless love. Teach us this love, that the world may be one. Through your healing love, help us to break down the boundaries dividing the human family.

ST. PETER (14 T)

Join hands disciples of the faith,
whate'er your race may be.
All children of the living God
are surely kin to me.

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Jesus healed the sick, fed the hungry, gave hope to the hopeless. Jesus challenges his followers to continue his ministry, asking us to feed, clothe, and give shelter, saying: As you do these things for the least of these, you do them for me.

We pray that we will hear the cries of need, and that we will not only hear, but join with others who respond in loving action.

IN LOVING PARTNERSHIP

We are the hands and feet of Christ,
serving by grace each other's need.
We dare to risk and sacrifice
with truthful word and faithful deed.

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We remember the birthing of the church: when the people who had gathered for prayer and praise were filled with the Holy Spirit.

We remember how the Spirit came upon them like fire, like wind -- surrounding them, exciting them, opening their eyes and hearts to the power and presence of God. The Spirit-filled church could not stop -- singing praises to God, reaching out to each other's need, spreading the word of God's power and God's love. We remember this beginning and pray that the church will be infused with new life through the Spirit -- calling us, claiming us, summoning us to the excitement and joy of faith.

**Come, Holy Spirit, ignite our hearts and impart your gifts again to the church.
Blow through us and within us like a renewing, powerful wind.**

SPIRIT OF GENTLENESS

O Breath of life, come sweeping through us,
revive your church with life and pow'r;
O Breath of Life, come, cleanse, renew us,
and fit your church to meet this hour.

O Wind of God, come bend us, break us,
till humbly we confess our need;
then in your tenderness remake us,
revive, restore, for this we plead.

O Breath of love, come breathe within us,
renewing thought and will and heart;
come, Love of Christ, afresh to win us,
revive your church in ev'ry part.

As God created the heavens, the earth, and life itself, may God give birth to new life in us. May God's love be known to us today through Jesus Christ. And as tiny pebbles thrown into a pond cause ripples to move outward in ever-widening circles, may our love move from this place outward -- expanding to embrace our neighbors, our community, our human family, and our world.

May all that we do and say and live be a witness, be a prayer, and be a celebration!

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Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

Pastor Tony

Anthem

On a Hill Far Away

Martin

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame; and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain.

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

Oh, that old rugged cross so despised by the world, has a wondrous attraction for me; for the dear Lamb of God left His glory above to bear it to dark Calvary.

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true, its shame and reproach gladly bear; then He'll call me some day to my home far away, where his glory forever I'll share.

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Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Children's Message

Kathy Davis

Reading of God's Word

Kimberly Brendle

Exodus 20:1-17

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Hymn 331

Jesus, Refuge of the Weary

CASSEL

Jesus, refuge of the weary,
blest redeemer, whom we love,
fountain in life's desert dreary,
Savior from the world above:
often have your eyes, offended,
gazed upon the sinner's fall;
yet upon the cross extended,
you have borne the pain of all.

Do we pass that cross unheeding,
breathing no repentant vow,
though we see you wounded, bleeding,
see your thorn-encircled brow?
Yet your sinless death has brought us
life eternal, peace and rest;
only what your grace hath taught us
calms the sinner's deep distress.

Jesus, may our hearts be burning
with more fervent love for you;
may our eyes be ever turning
to behold your cross anew
till in glory, parted never
from the blessed Savior's side,
graven in our hearts forever
dwell the cross, the Crucified.

Sermon

A Clean Slate

Pastor Tony

John 2:13-22

Hymn

When Christ Went to the Temple

LLANGLOFFAN

Benediction

Postlude

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Arr. Whitworth

When Christ Went to the Temple

LLANGLOFFAN 7.6.7.6 D ("Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers")

1 When Christ went to the Tem - ple to wor - ship God one day,
 2 There, cat - tle, sheep, and pig - eons were sold for sac - ri - fice,
 3 When prayer gave way to pro - fit, and pride closed man - y doors,
 4 O God, you love the na - tions and call us all to pray.

he en - tered through the court - yard where an - y - one could pray.
 and mon - ey - chan - gers shout - ed of qua - li - ty and price.
 the Lord cried out in an - ger and made a whip of cords.
 For - give us when our wor - ship turns oth - er folk a - way.

That court was for the na - tions— and all could en - ter in.
 Out - si - ders could not en - ter the in - ner courts for prayer.
 He shoed the sheep and cat - tle and scat - tered pig - eons, too.
 As Christ, in lov - ing pro - test, fought pre - ju - dice and pride,

But Je - sus found a mar - ket, a shame - ful rob - ber's den.
 Their on - ly place to wor - ship was in the court - yard there.
 God's house was for all peo - ple— not for a cho - sen few.
 may we who fol - low Je - sus now wel - come all in - side.

Biblical References: Matthew 21:12-17; Mark 11:15-19; Luke 19:45-48; and John 2:13-16

Tune: Welsh Folk Melody. Evans' *Hymnau a Thonau*, 1865; as in *English Hymnal*, 1906

Alternative Tune: ANGEL'S STORY 7.6.7.6 D ("O Jesus, I Have Promised") Arthur Henry Mann, 1888

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News of the Congregation

March 7, 2021

Reminders:

Jt. Bd. Meeting - Monday, March 8 at 7p.m.

WF Executive Bd. Meeting - Monday, March 29 at 10:30a.m.-CR *new date this meeting only.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Monday, 3/8	Lillie Mae Joyce
Tuesday, 3/9	Gwen Shields, Bill Yokley
Thursday, 3/11	Rod Back, Opal Miller
Friday, 3/12	Phyllis Footland
Saturday, 3/13	Ken Hauser

The General Fund has received gifts in memory of Betty Bennett from Amy Mendenhall and Barry Self; in memory of Betty Fulp from Barry Self; in memory of Al Butner from Barry Self; in memory of Tootie Barbour from Barry Self; in memory of Herb Bluhm from Barry Self; in memory of Evelyn West from WF Circle 4.

The Pipe Organ Repair Fund has received a gift in memory of Jeff Pfaff, Betty Fulp, Al Butner and Betty Bennett from Judy and Jerry Byerly.

Pledges/Offerings/Gifts/Other for 2/28/21	\$4,080.00
Monthly Budget Needs	35,065.59
Monies Received Month to Date	20,656.27
Needed as of February 28	\$14,409.32

The Women's Fellowship is sponsoring a shredding event on Saturday, May 1st from 9:00 a.m. till noon. This will be in the lower parking lot. Members will be available to meet cars and take grocery bags or boxes for shredding and request a \$5 donation per bag/box.

The congregation was saddened by the loss of one of our members, Evelyn West, on Monday, March 1st. Please keep Evelyn's family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

The Women's Fellowship is sponsoring a baby bottle collection for the Pregnancy Center. Plastic bottles are being filled with coins, bills and checks (made out to the Pregnancy Center) to help defray costs of the pregnancy center in working with and supporting young mothers. A "marked" box is in the church vestibule and we appreciate all donations. This event will continue for the next month.

Lifting in Prayer

Our Church Family:

Nelson Cannon, Roger Carmichael, Oneita Dease, Anna Frances Dull, Annie Harrold, John Harrold, Nancy Manuel, Ann and David Marcus, Steve Morgan, Tom Nicholson, Doris "DG" Noell, Bob Peek, Harry Sapp, the family of Evelyn West.

Our Family and Friends:

Riliegh Allen (friend of Pam Tatum)
Cele Shaver (cousin to Pam Tatum)

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please call the church office and let us know.

Pray for our Friends and Family Members in the Military:

Jordan Hailey (Navy - son of Jerry Hailey)
Daniel Millikan (Army - son of Dianne & Alan Millikan)
Jeremiah Millikan (Navy - son of Dianne & Alan)
Christian Nixon (Army National Guard-nephew of Candice & Rod Back)
Eric Tise (Air Force- Korea - grandson of Lindsay)
Michael Timmons (Army National Guard - son of LuAnn and David Timmons)
Cameron Yokley (Marine - son of Robin & Bill)

Days of Prayer

March 10, 11:00 A.M. Calvary Moravian, Speaker: Rev. Adam Goodrich. The service will be live streamed via YouTube by typing in Calvary Moravian Church.

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=calvary+moravian+church+winston+salem+nc

On March 13th from 11:00a.m. to 1:00p.m. the Women's Fellowship is sponsoring a food drive for Bethabara Moravian Church's Food Pantry. The collection will be in the lower parking lot at the fellowship hall doors.

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Gwen Shields birthday on March 9th from Jeanne Willard and Penny Ratermann.