

10:00 AM

2nd Sunday in Lent

February 25th, 2024

³⁴ Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. Mark 8:34-35

PRELUDE

Debbe Picerno

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: O God, have mercy on us, we pray.
P: In your mercy, make us clean from our sins.
L: Wipe away every failing and make us new in your sight.
P: Restore us, deliver us, and re-create us, O Lord.
All: Let us worship God!

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMNS

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

No. 128

“Cornerstone”

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus, our sins are too many to number. We are guilty of pride, unbelief, and of neglect to seek you in our daily lives. Our sins and shortcomings present us with a list of accusations, but we thank you that they will not stand against us, for all have been laid on Christ. Deliver us from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in us, everything that prevents us taking delight in you. In your mercy, pour out your grace upon us who have sinned against you. (Silent Confession) Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Believe the good news of the Gospel.
P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*CONFESSION RESPONSE:

“Gloria Patri”

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*OFFERING RESPONSE:

“Seek Ye First”

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN’S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 11:19-25

ANTHEM

“Believe in This God”

Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 15:1-7

SERMON

“Faith and Righteousness”

Rev. Dr. Stephen Franklin

*CONFESSION OF FAITH

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*HYMN

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

No. 139

POSTLUDE

Debbe Picerno

*Those who are able please stand.



Ushers: Elders

Greeters: Pam Greb

Welcome Desk: Sadie Tarr & Cora Murtha

Fellowship Hour: Katie Schultz

Liturgist: Autumn Moore

Childcare: Sarah Murtha

<i><u>THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR</u></i>		
Sunday:	10 AM	Worship
	11 AM	Sunday School
Monday:	6:30 PM	Men's Bible Study
Tuesday:	1 PM	Quilting
Wednesday:	9 AM	Coffee & Conversation
	5:30-7 PM	Faith & Fellowship
Sunday, March 3rd:	10 AM	Worship & Communion
	11 AM	Sunday School

AV and Sound Help Needed- We're looking for a few volunteers that would like to help with our media needs on Sunday morning. We will schedule our volunteers for once a month and Pastor Steve will offer training for anyone who might be interested. Please sign up in the library.

Pray For Our Children- During Lent we challenge you to take a magnet with a child’s name on it from the board in the Library as a reminder to pray for the children of our church.

Easter Eggs- If you are willing to help fill eggs for our Palm Sunday Easter egg hunt please take a bag from the Library and bring them back filled by March 3rd. Thank you!

Faith & Fellowship Nights- Join us Wednesdays through Lent with dinner served at 5:30 PM and bible study for all ages from 6:15-7 PM. **We are looking for participants for our March 13th Chili Cookoff Night!** Please sign up in the Library.

Good Friday Breakfast- Join us Friday, March 29th at 7 AM for breakfast, followed by guest speaker Tammy Summers as she tell her “Story of Hope Out of Heartbreak.”

Conno Meals on Wheels- Is in need of volunteers to assist in the delivery of meals to our residents in the Meridian and Conno areas. They would need transportation and be available from about 11 AM-1 PM on the determined day. If you are interested in helping, please contact Karen at 724-256-8158 or 724-789-7868.

Mission Trip Fundraiser- This year’s youth group mission trip will be to Cleveland, OH to help serve those in need. The envelope fundraiser will start this week and 100% of your donations will go towards funding their trip. Thank you for your support!

Alice Gilliland Fund – If you are planning on sending your children to camp this summer, the Church has scholarships available. Scholarship forms are available in the Library, please see the office for more information.

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