



Sunday, March 6, 2022 ~ First Sunday in Lent

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) -- Have you **checked in** for worship?

*please stand as you are able

Way of the Week #15

15. WELCOME CHANGE. Be curious about new ideas, perspectives, and approaches. Get excited by the possibilities that change can bring. What worked in the past won't always work in the future, for God is doing new things.

Welcome and Work of God's People

Wes Allen

The Ten Commandments

Wes Allen

Music in Preparation for Worship

I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ

Dupre Op. 28 No. 37

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God

Dupre Op. 28 No. 10

Joel Krott, Organ

Introit

Agnus Dei

Braunschweig, 1528

Adult Choir; Grace Rykaczewski, Director; Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

O Christ, Thou lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

*Call to Worship

Wes Allen

Let us worship God, who has done great things.

We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert.

Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow.

We are a people formed by God's mercy and grace.

Let us worship God with gladness and hope.

We worship God for the grace that saves us. Glory to God!

*Prayer of Adoration

Wes Allen

Hymn No. 462 (verses 1, 3)

Lord Jesus, Think on Me

Frank Mitchell, Bass; Joel Krott, Organ

***Seating interlude

Call to Confession

Paul Savage

Prayer of Confession

Most merciful Father, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have not done. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Kyrie

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us

Moravian

Adult Choir; Gwen Wilkie, Director; Frank Mitchell, Bass; Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Paul Savage

The Lord God has promised, "I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh."

We hear the Good News: Through Christ our minds and hearts are cleansed, healed, and renewed.

Thank you, God!

Prayer of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer ('debts')

Stuart Spencer

Anthem

Let Thy Holy Presence

Tschesnokoff

Adult Choir; Michael Martin, Director

Let Thy holy presence come upon us, we pray.
Come, Holy Spirit, Thou gift of Heaven bring love and joy to us O Lord God.
Let Thy holy presence come upon us, O Lord! Alleluia.

Offertory

Stuart Spencer

THANK YOU for your faithful giving and for remembering the church as we journey through Lent. Your offerings dramatically impact our ministry, and allow us to support church operations and our work in the world. Those attending in person may leave an offering in the box located in the narthex. Electronic giving is here to stay! Take advantage of this simple, secure [automatic withdrawal](#). Donate from your phone via the Church Center app too.

Offertory Music

The Call

R. Vaughan Williams

Frank Mitchell, Bass; Joel Krott, Organ

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life; Such a Way, as give us breath
Such a Truth, as ends all strife; Such a Life, as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength; Such a Light, as shows a feast
Such a Feast, as mends in length; Such a Strength, as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart; Such a Joy, as none can move;
Such a Love, as none can part; Such a Heart, as joys in love.

Sermon

Stuart Spencer

“Mercy, Mercy Me”

Scripture Text: Luke 18: 35-45 (NRSV) (page 82 Pew Bible NT)

Sermon Series: On the Way, Praying

The Lord's Supper

Rev. Wes Allen

The Invitation to the Table
The Words of Institution
The Prayer of Consecration
*The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn No. 462 (verse 4)

Lord Jesus, Think on Me

Frank Mitchell, Bass; Joel Krott, Organ

Music in Preparation for Worship

Christ, Who Knew No Sin or Wrong

Dupre Op. 28 No. 15

Joel Krott, Organ



8:30 a.m. Worship Ministry

Audio Technician:	Harris E. Ransom
Live Video Streaming:	Harris A. Ransom
Flower Arrangers:	Fran Green
Ushers:	Paul Lewis, Barry Leatherman, Leonard Fitts
Trustee Greeter:	Bill Conner
Check-In Volunteers:	Deacon Susan Winner
Interim Nursery Caregiver:	Amy Coombe

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of their mother Jean, from Nancy Sinunu Kyle and Mike Sinunu.

Work of God's People

- Session has approved lifting the mask mandate for minors, effective Sunday, March 3. The new masking guidelines are: **Masks are optional for vaccinated persons and recommended for unvaccinated individuals. At this time, masks are required for singers.**
- Pick up a hard copy of a [Lent Programming Guide](#) for this meaningful Lenten and Easter season detailing special activities and Holy Week worship. Download your copy from the website or eblast too.
- [Lenten Group Study](#) – This year we are reading “The Way of a Pilgrim” by R.M. French, and invite you to sign up online or in the Commons Lobby. It’s an inspiring read. Groups began the week of Ash Wednesday, **March 2** -- sign ups are still open! Pick up your book at church or order online.
- Pick up a copy of “**Grace Unbounded,**” our Lent devotional, for \$3.00 in the church office. *Grace Unbounded* provides daily devotions from Ash Wednesday to Easter from the Gospel of Luke.
- [Praying the Jesus Prayer](#) with Stuart Spencer via Zoom on Thursdays in Lent from 6:30-7:00 p.m. (March 3-April 7). This prayer is the centerpiece of our Lenten Study, *The Way of a Pilgrim*. Register through our Events Page on our website. There’s no cost and friends outside the church are most welcome.
- [Adult Spiritual Formation](#) – Lorenzo Eagles leads a series on the sermon passage at 9:45 am (Fellowship Hall, Zoom hybrid). Paul Savage leads a Lenten group study on Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. (Room 8, Zoom hybrid). **Find the Zoom links on our Adult Spiritual Formation event page.**
- Yes, you may still submit your per capita. As a *connectional church*, this contribution of \$38.75 per member above one’s pledge supports the General Assembly, Synod and Presbytery. You may [submit an “opt-out” request](#) if you do NOT wish this portion to be paid. You must alert the church office.
- We are looking for additional ushers for the 11:00 am Contemporary service. Men and women welcome. Contact coordinator Steve Connlain at sconnlain@gmail.com or the church office.
- Order forms for **Easter flowers** will be available March 20, March 27 and April 3. Flowers are \$15.