

Welcome In the Name and Love of Jesus Christ

Welcome! We are thankful for your presence as we share in the worship of God. We pray you will find the blessing of fellowship among us. If you are visiting, please know that no one is really a visitor. This is God's house and all are welcome. We invite you to pray with us, sing with us, rejoice with us, and hear Christ's call with us. Since we all have needs, during the closing hymn, the altar is open for you to pray, give thanks, dedicate or re-dedicate your life.

Worship Resources: A Nursery is provided for children up to AGE 4. We invite you to use this facility for infants and toddlers. Children's bulletins are available from the ushers. In the pews, you will find Prayer Cards that you are invited to use to share specific prayer concerns. Please place the card either in the offering plate or in the prayer boxes located in each entryway.

Order of Worship

Come in, chat, and take a moment to visit. But when the prelude begins – prepare for worship in a spirit of prayer and expectation! As we begin worship, please silence and put away all cell phones and beepers! *Indicates people stand as they are able.

Gathering Music

Welcome, Announcements and Time of Friendship		Yvonne Raper
*Opening Hymn #368	<i>My Hope Is Built</i>	Edward Mote
Children's Time		Sue Walker
Sharing of Joys and Concerns		Michael Bryant
Prayer Hymn #393	<i>Spirit of the Living God</i>	Daniel Iverson
Pastoral and Lord's Prayer		

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Worship with Tithes and Offerings		Michael Bryant
Offertory-Sanctuary Singers	<i>There Is A Redeemer</i>	Green
*Doxology #95		

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above Ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Anthem	<i>What Love Is This</i>	Brad Nix
The Scripture	Romans 7:15-25	Rev. Baker

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

People: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon	<i>When It's Hard to Do Right</i>	Rev. Baker
*Hymn of Invitation #572	<i>Pass It On</i>	Kurt Kaiser

*Benediction

*Postlude

A copy of today's sermon is available as you leave Worship Service today.

Assisting with Today's Service

Chancel Choir Director.....Dr. Nathan Windt Pianist.....Gielda Reese Organist.....Charlotte Newman
Nursery Attendants.....Elaine Davidson and Anita Thomas Children's Time.....Sue Walker

Church Calendar

10:00 AM Sunday: Sunday School	6:00 PM Wednesday: Body & Soul/Church Wide Birthday
11:00 AM Sunday: Worship	7:00 PM Wednesday: Chancel Choir
4:00 PM Sunday: Bible Study	
4:30 PM Sunday: Youth	

Our Stewardship Last Week

Sunday School	55	Future Fund	350.00
Morning Worship	154	Bus Fund	25.00
		Youth Fund	100.00
Sunday School	13.35	Men's Club	50.00
Church Budget	4,535.00		

Announcements

Altar Flowers: The Altar Flowers are given with love by Gretchen Kittle in honor and celebration of Makenzie's Birthday. Happy Birthday to MaKenzie!

Chocolate Easter Eggs for Sale: Our Relay for Life Team is selling those famous "Chocolate Covered-Peanut Butter filled Eggs"! Please stop by the entrances and order your Chocolate Eggs for Easter!

Candy Needed: Please bring bags of individually wrapped candy to help with our children's Easter Egg Hunt. Place candy in the baskets at each entrance. Thank you from our children!

Super Sunday for Kids: Make plans to be a part of Super Sunday Kids on March 17, Super Sunday Kids will help sponsor the Allen Memorial Easter Egg Hunt at 4:30 PM. Come join the fun!

Easter Egg Hunt: The Annual Allen Memorial Easter Egg Hunt will be held here at the church on Sunday, March 17 at 4:30 PM. See the sign-up sheet in the Sunday School Hall for more information!

Imagine No Malaria: We have set a goal of saving 250 lives for Imagine No Malaria; we are well on our way to reaching our goal with 232 lives saved. **Thank you for your support of this ministry!**

Body & Soul/Menu Update: The Family Life Committee is sponsoring a "Church Wide Birthday Party this Wednesday, March 13th, at 6:00 in Wattenbarger Hall. Come enjoy the taco bar with Birthday cake and ice cream. Volunteers are needed to decorate the 12 tables for the birthday party. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the side vestibule. Please choose the month you wish to decorate a table for and see Carlene Kuykendall, Kim Rymer or call the church office at 745-1560 for information. Don't miss this fun event as we celebrate our Birthday's together. Please fill out your reservation form and drop in the offering plate or call the church office at 745-1560 for reservations.

Something for Everyone: On April 2, we will enjoy lunch at Connor's Restaurant in Turkey Creek. On the way home, we will make a stop at Sweetwater Valley Farm. This is a working dairy farm and cheese plant. You can sample the many cheese selections before making your purchase. You will also enjoy "The Udder Story" milking exhibit. The exhibit houses a little bit of the past, answers the question of what dairy farming is today, as well as shares the technology of the future. We will leave the church at 11:00 AM and return around 4:30 PM. Make your reservation by Sunday, March 31, with Charlotte or the church office. **Only one spot left for the Tour of the Volkswagen Plant on May 7!** Check with Charlotte if you want this last spot! Please pick up a brochure if you are interested in the Spring Trip to Georgia on May 28 and 29. The deadline for the church family to sign up for the Spring Trip is Sunday, April 14.

Rejoicing Spirits: The Rejoicing Spirits service will be held at Cedar Springs UMC on March 17 at 4:00 PM.

St. Patrick's Day Meal: The Family Life is planning a St. Patrick's Day Meal on March 17. Bring a dish or two and join together after Worship Service as we celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

Youth Sunday: The Allen Memorial UMC Youth will have Youth Sunday on March 17. The Youth will lead worship, sing and share during the 11:00 AM Worship Service. Come be a part of this special service.

Youth Barbeque: The Youth are sponsoring their Annual Chicken BBQ on Saturday, March 23 from 11:00 to 2:00 PM. Tickets are \$8.00! The menu will include: Jody's BBQ Chicken, baked beans, slaw, roll and a drink.

Holy Week Worship Schedule -- Noon Day Services are as follows:

Monday, March 25,—Keith Memorial UMC at noon-Rev. Jason Clark from 1st Baptist

Tuesday, March 26—First Baptist Church at noon-Rev. Les Rust from Mars Hill Presbyterian

Wednesday, March 27—Saint Mary's Catholic Church at noon-Rev. Will Shelton from Keith Memorial

Thursday, March 28—St. Paul's Episcopal Church at noon -Speaker: Rev. Joe Black from Allen Memorial

Friday, March 29—Trinity UMC at noon- Rev. Hendree Harrison from St. Paul

-Thursday, March 28 at 7:00 PM- Maundy Thursday Service here at Allen-Dr. Steve Brown

-Friday, March 29 at 7:00 PM- Good Friday Service at Trinity

-Sunday, March 31-Sunrise Service at Mars Hill Presbyterian-Rev. Carlos Peterson from Christ Community

Maundy Thursday: The congregations of Allen and Trinity will meet together here at Allen Memorial on Thursday, March 28, for the Maundy Thursday service. Maundy Thursday is observed during Holy week on the Thursday before Easter. It commemorates the Last Supper when Jesus shared the Passover meal with his disciples. Please plan to join us for this very meaningful service.

Lenten Offering: This year our Offering for Lent will be collected on Easter Sunday, March 31. The offering will go to support the Youth and Children's Ministries of our church. Please give as God leads you.

Camper News: Brochures are now available in the side vestibule for the Summer Camping Program! You will get an early bird discount of \$15.00 if you register by April 1! The church offers scholarships for our children; call the church office for information and your Allen Camper Code if needed for registration.

Something for Everyone Fall Trip News: Please pick up a brochure in the side vestibule if you are interested in the Fall Trip to Virginia, Delaware, and Pennsylvania on October 6-10.

Relay for Life 2013 T-Shirt/Team: Please check the window in the side vestibule for donation forms to add your in memory or in honor of name to the Relay for Life Team T-Shirt for 2013.

Lost & Found: Please check for lost dishware in the kitchen! There are several unclaimed platters, bowls, and serving pieces to be found on the counter under the microwave. Check for your lost dish today!

Men's Group: The Men's Group meets on the first Sunday morning of each month. All men of the church are welcome to join together on April 7 at 8:30 AM for a hearty breakfast, devotions and fellowship.

Thanks from the Heart: Theda Poplin would like to thank the church and her family for all the lovely birthday wishes, cards and tributes when celebrating her birthday last Sunday.

Flowers Next Week: March 17- Vaughn and Jane Jeffreys

Weekly Prayer Concerns

For this week: Glenn Mason, Amberly Richards, Austin Meadows, Kathy Clark, Rev. Joe Black, Bob and Sheron Bellman, Scotty Hannah

Prayer Focus for the Week: Pray for greater understanding and desire for God's word during the Lenten season.



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Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 10th, 2013

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