Second Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2019

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

PRELUDE

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER	Rev. Powers and Congregation
CALL TO WORSHIP	Pastor and Congregation

- LEADER: Come! Come and worship, you who woke early and you who slept late; you who come often, and you who don't.
 - **PEOPLE:** Whether we are first or last or somewhere in between, there is room for all of us in God's kingdom, and more than enough grace to go around.
 - ALL: Let us worship God together!

SCRIPTURE LESSON ... Matthew 20:1-16.....Reggie Jackson

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard.² After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴ and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. ⁵ When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' ⁷ They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' ⁹When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰ Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹ And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹² saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³ But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

HYMN "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"	
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	Rebecca Blake

PRAYER O	F CONFESSIONPastor and Congregation		
ALL: Lord of all, we come to thank you for the undeserved blessings of your love and faithfulness. Forgive us, for we confess that we have often failed to be			
	your generous people.		
PASTOR:	You ask for our hands that they might be used for your purposes.		
PEOPLE:	We give them for a moment and then withdraw when the work is too hard.		
PASTOR:	You ask for our mouths to speak against injustice.		
PEOPLE:	We give you a whisper that we might not offend.		
PASTOR:	You ask for our eyes to see the pain of others.		
PEOPLE:	We close them for we do not wish to see.		
PASTOR:	You ask for our lives that you might work through us.		
	We give you a small portion that we might not get "too involved".		
	Yet you shower us with mercy and grace.		
ALL:	Grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through		
	Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.		

Hear the Good News, in the name of Jesus, you are forgiven. In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

MORNING PRAYER	Pastor
OFFERTORY HYMN "Grace Greater Than Our Sin" vs. 1 and 3	
OFFERTORY PRAYER	Usher
OFFERTORY	

SCRIPTURE LESSON ... John 3:16-17 and Romans 5:8

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world through him might be saved. God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

ANTHEM "Give Me Jesus"	Choir
SERMON	Pastor
CLOSING HYMN "Christians, Let Us Go and Serve Him"	514
BENEDICTION	Pastor
SHARING LOVE AND PEACE	
POSTLUDE	

USHERS

TODAY	. Nancy Ruppert's Team
NEXT SUNDAY	Barbara Smith's Team

CHILDREN'S CHURCH		
TODAY	Angel Robinson and Betty Green	
	Nichole and Walker Smith and Sylvia McAlister	

CALENDAR

MONDAY	
7:00 p.m	Deacons' Meeting
WEDNESDAY	-
6:00 p.m	Supper TEAM 3
6:30 p.m	Business Meeting
6:45 p.m	Bible Study and Children and Youth Programs
THURSDAY	
11:00 a.m	Community Meal
NEXT SUNDAY	
9:00 a.m	BREAKFAST

PRAYER LIST

Reynolds, Linda M		uley, Barbara	Mary James Candy/Rodney Loflin	Benny McBride Bob Moore Pam, Ken Morgan Don Britt Curtis Holt Wesley Culler Lois Loflin	friend nephew niece, nephew nephew friend friend mother
Friends and Relativ Molly/Wayne Abbott Sheila Capel Jane Covington	ves of: Monnie Jenkins Tony Lawson Toni Atchison Tammy Laprade Ada Capel Faye Thomas Pete Thomas	friend friend sister sister mother sister brother-in-law grandson-in-law	Max/Jane Luquire Barbara Lynthacum Jean Maness Sylvia McAlister Pat/Bob Morgan Nancy Ruppert Barbara Smith	Jo Brooks J.D. Thompson Melissa Green Carol Luther Tammy Parker Jesse Wallace Marie Spoon Laura Wilson Doris Hinson	friend nephew daughter friend friend friend sister friend friend friend
Ernest , Karen Dailey Mildred Grey Ray, Frances Hudson Thelma Hussey	Harold Johnson	daughters friend daughter brother friend	Angie McCaskill w <i>Service Personnel:</i> Seth Spivey, Chris Stua		

Sign-up Sheets on church office door for... Youth PASSPORT ... Children's PASSPORT

FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly budget needs \$2,518.07	Monthly budget needs \$10,911.66
Last week's offering \$2,922.00	February offering \$7,156.31