

First United Methodist Church
11:00 AM Service of Worship
March 08, 2020

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Unknown

GATHERING

WELCOME, REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE, ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Rev. Melissa Traver

(Please sign and pass the attendance pad down your pew.
Guests: please include your phone number and complete address.)

PRELUDE "They'll Know We Are Christians/I Saw the Light" Shelly Irvine Pans of Praise

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES..... Acolytes

*CALL TO WORSHIP Marissa Brantley

Leader: People of God, where do we put our trust?
Where do we find wholeness and meaning?

People: **We lift up our eyes to the hills.
Our help comes from the Creator of heaven and earth.**

Leader: We are sons and daughters of Abraham and Sarah.
We trust in God, who neither slumbers nor sleeps.

People: **We are followers of Jesus, who proclaimed God's realm.
We are born of the Spirit, born from above.**

Leader: Our lives are a gift from God, who loves us.
By the grace of God, we are born anew each day.

People: **God loved the world in the gift of Jesus Christ.
Through faith in Christ, we receive eternal life.**

-- Taught by Love, pg 58

*HYMN # 100 "God, Whose Love Is Reigning o'er Us"

CALL TO PRAYER..... "When the Saints Go Marching In" arr. Deborah Teason Sacred Pans

**O when the saints go marching in, when the saints go marching in,
how I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in.**

THE MORNING PRAYER

(At the appropriate time, you are invited to say prayer requests aloud as part of the prayer.)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN # 142..... "If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee"

OFFERTORY PRAYER..... Marissa Brantley

OFFERTORY "Santo" Mark Burrows Pans of Praise

*PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS # 95 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

(Children, Kindergarten and younger, are invited to leave the Sanctuary for age-appropriate learning activities.)

ANTHEM "How Great Is Our God" Shelly Irvine Sacred Pans

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE Genesis 12:1-4a Rev. Melissa Traver
SERMON "Unknown" Rev. Melissa Traver

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

MOMENT OF REFLECTION

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN # 117. "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE "We Will Walk With God" arr. Mark Repasky Sacred Pans

We will walk with God my brothers (sisters, children), we will walk with God.

We will go rejoicing, 'till the kingdom has come.

POSTLUDE "If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee" Choral & Variations George Böhm (1661-1733)

*PLEASE STAND (AS ABLE)

Bulletin Baskets: are found at the back of the Sanctuary for your convenience to discard your bulletins.

Hearing Assistive Devices are available on the back table or ask an usher for help.

Sermon Copies Available: If you need a copy of the sermon due to difficulty hearing during worship, please let Pastor Melissa know. She will have copies available for you on Sunday morning.

Members Who Minister

Senior Pastor: Rev. Melissa Traver

Director of Music Ministries: Yuliia Billa

Children's Director: Ida Cooksey

Organ: Dr. Doug West

Piano: Matthew DeJong

Ushers for March 2020: Keith Kerper, Earl Begley, Ward Cole, Butch Yarbrough

Greeters for March 8, 2020: 11:00 AM Kent Forrester

Traditional Worship Lay Liturgist for March 1, 2020: Marissa Brantley

Menu for Christian Fellowship Meal-Wednesday, March 11: Baked Pasta, Caesar Salad, Vegetable Tray, Fruit, Bread, Dessert, and Drinks.

Christian Fellowship Lunch

You are invited to join our Christian Fellowship Covered Dish Lunch in the J. O. Smith Building following our worship service today.

Early Response Training

Cairo First United Methodist Church is hosting Early Response Team (ERT) Training on March 21, from 9:00 a.m.-1:15 p.m. This training will be followed by Chainsaw Training. ERT is for individuals who would like to be equipped to respond to natural disasters in the early days following the disaster. The training is \$25.00. You can register on the South Georgia Conference website at <https://sgaumc-reg.brapp.com/ERTTrainingcairofirst> or call the church office.

Southwest District Conference

The Southwest District Conference will be Sunday, April 5, at Thomasville First UMC at 3:00 p.m.

Deeply Rooted with Bishop Bryan

Our "Deeply Rooted: Nurturing Faith for the Transformation of the World" with Bishop Bryan will begin Sunday, April 26, and run through Tuesday, April 28. Bishop Bryan will preach on Sunday morning, to kick off the celebration. We have great music lined up to help provide for a wonderful gathering! More details are coming soon. You don't want to miss this.