

A Warm Welcome to All: We are pleased to have you worship with us this morning. In order to become better acquainted all are invited to sign in as the register pads are passed during the Welcome and Announcements. Please note the names of those in the pews with you and greet each other at the close of the service.

~ **PRAYER REQUESTS** ~

Megan Clemmons, great-niece of Mable Simmons; **Devin Fick**, relative of the Ott's;
Heather Cole, sister of Helen Cole Kuhn; **Lila Feary**, aunt of Alexa Crumley; **Larry Ladd**;
Michael Woods, a colleague at Illinois College; **Nancy Bradbury**; **Rachel Flynn**, neighbor of the Ladd's; **Tim Olson**; **Darrel Hittner**, father of Lisa Wade; **Kevin Brodie**, friend of many at ISD;
Peggy Post; **Richard Mansell**; **Shirley Husa**; **Shelly Cochran**, friend of the Tiffanys;
Lee Spencer, Clayton's father; **Patsy**, friend of Barb Bucy; **LaNise Kirk**; **Bertha Bucy**, Mike's mother; **Sue Linde**; **Earl Innes**, father of Joy Tiffany; **Linda Noble**, Barb Bucy's sister;
Lori Oldenettel; **Judy Vieira**; **Wilma Walker**; **Ted and Linda Birdsell**; **Sam and Sue Scheets**;
Mona Cody; **Kim Homann and family** at the death of her mother, Nina Shotton;
John and Marsha Nelson and family at the death of his niece, Kasha; **Karen Ladd**; **Ron**, a friend of Stu and Marci Wemhoener; **Linda Meyer**; **the community of Cookeville Tennessee**, the hometown of Stefanie Byrd, our Financial Assistant; **Mari and Cornell Kane**; **Janice Briggs and family** at the death of her husband, Steve; **Ashley Wade**; **Nathan Price**, great-grandson to Evelyn Mason; **Ron York**, Adam's father; **Billy Hollendonner**.

Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6-7

~ **CHURCH EVENTS** ~

Today:

9:00 am - ACTS Class
 10:00 am - Worship - Walking with Jesus Sermon Series
 Third Sunday in Lent, Godly Play
 11:00 am - Fellowship
 11:15 am - Deacons Meeting
 5:00 pm - Middle School Youth Group
 6:00 pm - Combined Youth Group
 7:00 pm - High School Youth Group

This Week:

Tuesday
 Deadline for Weekly E-News
 5:15 pm - Children's Ministry Meeting
 5:30 pm - Day Care Board Meeting
 6:30 pm - Joyful Noise

Wednesday

5:45 pm - Lenten Series Dinner
 6:30 pm - Lenten Series Study - Evensong Service
 7:15 pm - Session Meeting

Thursday

6:00 pm - Handbell Rehearsal
 7:00 pm - Choir Rehearsal

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Bringing Hope: Every Hour, Every Day

Third Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2020

~ **WE APPROACH GOD IN PRAISE AND CONFESSION** ~

RINGING OF THE HOUR

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pass the "Friendship Pads" at this time and greet those near you after the close of worship.

OPENING

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 95, John 4

Leader: Let's sing to God,

People: for God is here.

Leader: Let's sing of love,

People: for love is here.

Leader: Let's sing and rejoice,

People: for here our souls are restored.

*HYMN #223 (Purple)

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Hamburg

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Faithful One, we long to trust your steadfast faithfulness. We yearn to know your life-giving love. Love us into faithful living. Wash over us with your grace. Nourish us with the water of your presence, and lead to eternal life. In the name of your love, we pray. Amen.

*SILENCE

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI #581 (Purple)

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

~ **WE HEAR GOD'S WORD** ~

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal word that does not change. Then may we respond to your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 8:14-17 pg. 789
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC “

GOSPEL READING: Mark 2:1-12 pg. 813
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
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A TIME WITH CHILDREN Jonathan Warren
Our youngest children ages 3 through fifth grade are invited to attend Godly Play following "A Time with Children." They will exit the sanctuary, head up the stairs to the large classroom, and engage in a very unique and developmentally appropriate worship experience--Godly Play.

SERMON “Walking with Jesus: The Healer” Revs. Jonathan and Siobhan Warren

*THE APOSTLE’S CREED

I Believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN #415 (Purple) "Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy" Restoration

~ **WE RESPOND TO GOD’S GRACE** ~

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY “

*DOXOLOGY #606 (Purple) Old Hundredth
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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Living God, through these gifts we now bring, help our world live. Loving God, through these gifts we now bring, help our world love. Nourish others as you have nourished us, with your steadfast presence and your healing grace. Amen.

~ **THE SENDING** ~

*HYMN #182 (Purple) "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" Kingsfold

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE #544 (Purple) “Bless the Lord” Bless the Lord
Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God’s holy name. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

POSTLUDE VOLUNTARY “

(*) Please stand in body or in spirit.

The congregation speaks the bold words.

All are invited to Fellowship in the Lounge following Worship.

~ **TODAY’S WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS** ~

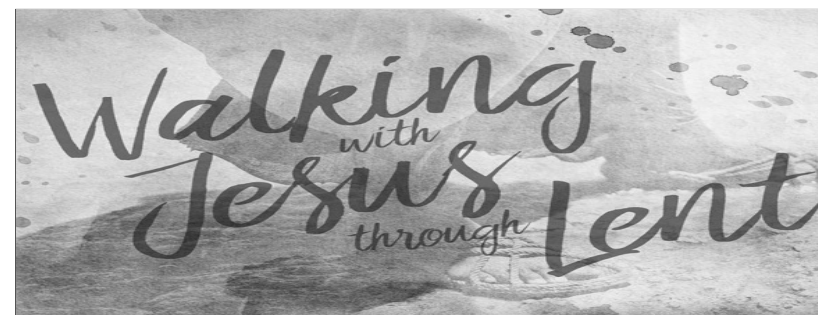
Acolytes: Ella Veith and Hannah Warren	Choir Director: Stephanie Soltermann
Greeters: Terry and Marcy Jones	Director of Music & Organist: Christine Smith
Liturgist: Allen Stare	Fellowship Hosts: Allen and Donna Stare
Head Usher: Julie Rowe	Pastoral Assistant: John Nelson
Sound Technician: Larry Bork	Security: George Bengel

HEARING ASSIST DEVICES are available. Feel free to pick one up at the “Sound Box” at the rear of the sanctuary, or ask an usher for assistance. Ushers have **LARGE PRINT HYMNS** available.

PARENTS: There are children’s bulletins and busy bags on a cart in the back of the Sanctuary. The lounge may be used as a restless/cry room for the children, if needed. The sound system allows the service to be heard in the lounge.

NAME TAGS: We want to greet everyone by name, so if you do not have a printed one, please sign the name tag request sheet in the lounge and your name tag will be added to our boards.

Lent is a forty-day journey that leads to Easter and has its roots in Jesus’ forty days in the wilderness. It is a period of reflection, prayer and fasting. We ponder the meaning of Christ’s sacrifice on the cross. The music during Lent is usually more somber and there are intentionally no “Alleluias” sung. Sometimes people give something up or “fast” as a daily reminder, while others will add a spiritual discipline. Each day during Lent, look for the many ways God may be speaking to you. Blessings, Rev. Jonathan Warren



Join us for a special sermon series about the Holy Land led by Revs. Jonathan & Siobhan Warren all Sundays through April 5 at 10:00 am.