

SUNSET DRIVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Morning Worship: 10:00 am March 10, 2019

FIRST SUNDAY of LENT

Series: "Return to Me"

Entering into Our Worship Together

PRELUDE
ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT
GREETING

Let Us Be In An Attitude of Prayer

*GATHERING HYMN "Come, We That Love the Lord" Hymnal #732
(vss. 1)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: After he was baptized by John, Jesus went by himself to the wilderness where he was tempted.

People: Forty days in the desert, Jesus was tempted to become relevant, spectacular, and powerful.

Leader: Today, we begin to journey with Jesus through the season of Lent, which brings us to face some of our own weaknesses and temptations.

All: Let us worship God and walk the journey together, seeking the spirit as our guide and companion along the way.

*HYMN OF PRAISE "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" Hymnal #127

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

MORNING PRAYER

God, you know our hearts. You have knitted our inmost being and you know our deepest desires, fears and worries. Help us to journey together, seeking the Spirit as our guide and companion along the way. Amen.

(Chris Heckert, Resources)

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 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.

SPECIAL MUSIC Praises Band

Response and Offerings

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 1 Timothy 2:5-6;1:15;3:16 Hymnal #889

OFFERTORY

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

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

CHILDREN'S TIME AT THE ALTAR D.D. Sellers
(Children's Church is offered for children ages 4-11 years old)
(Our nursery is available for children from birth to 3 years old)

Proclamation of God's Word

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Deuteronomy 26:1-11
Pew Bible, pg.218

*CENTERING HYMN "On Eagles' Wings" Hymnal #143

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Romans 10:8b-13
Pew Bible, pg.213

SERMON "God's Gracious Heart " Pastor Murphy

Our Response to God's Word

REFLECTION: "What is God doing in your life?" Lay Response

Sending Forth

*SENDING HYMN "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" Hymnal #664

*BENEDICTION

Let us go forth in the loving Spirit of God knowing that it is He who guides us as He did the Israelites of old. Know that He loves us today and everyday charging us to share that love in the Name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

POSTLUDE Our Acolytes lead us out as we go forth to serve.

Prayer Concerns

(Prayer requests must be received in the office at 540-896-3970 or office@sunsetdriveumc.com by Thursday at 10am to be included. Names stay on for **two weeks**.)

Our Church Family ...

Pastor David Burroughs (Bev Thompson)
Barry Davis and the Gentry Family
Richard Jacksie (Bev Thompson)
Bishop Sharma D. Lewis (Bev Thompson)
Harlen Miller (Bev Thompson)

Our Extended Family ...

Scotty Bare (Steve Shifflett)
Butch Bowman (Bev Thompson)
Orville and Bonnie Collins (Lisa Thacker)
Lorrie Murphy (Bev Thompson)
Mike Shirkey (Sandy Cupp)

Prayers for Our Military Families.....

Will Freds: U.S Army (son in law of CW and Peggy Grandle)
Mark Hadley: U.S Navy (son of George and Janet Hadley)
David Lee: U.S Army (grandson of Jane Garrett)
Mark Long: U.S Navy (son of Dawn Long)
Chris Mullenax: U.S Army Special Forces
Tim Slutman, U.S Army (close friend of the Almquist family)



The flowers on the altar this morning are given by the family of Steve Rhodes in honor of his 70th birthday on March 12 . Join with us in wishing him a very Happy Birthday and love and happiness in the years to come!!



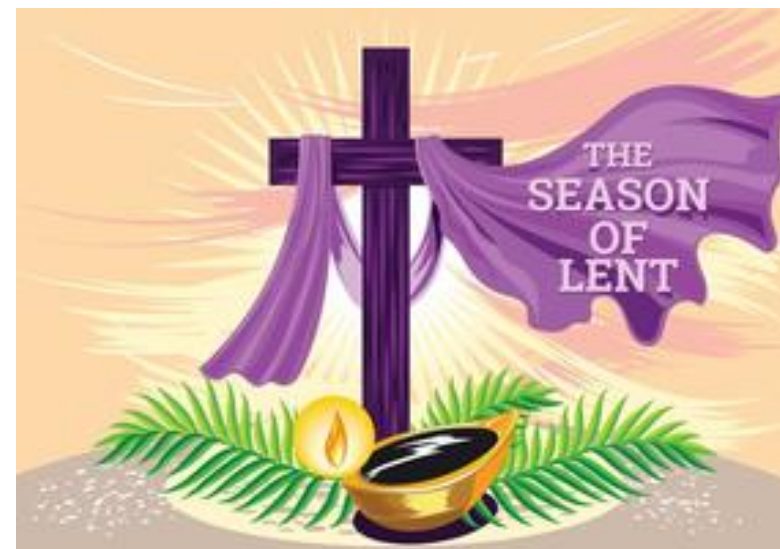
We *extend Christian sympathy* and prayers to Barry Davis and the Gentry Family. Barry's dad and church member **Glenn "Max" Gentry**, passed away on Saturday, March 2nd. He will be missed by our Sunset Drive Family.



We would like to Thank our Church family for the love and care shown during George's surgery and recovery. It was your prayers that helped us get through this difficult time. God Bless you all. Janet and George Hadley.

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Over 130 years of serving God and the Community



"Seeking to live our faith, growing in our discipleship, and reaching out to others."

Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Tuesday, March 12th, from 1pm to 3pm. We supply the yarn, needles, and lessons. New members are welcome.

Bible Study of Romans is completed. On Wednesday, March 13th, our Lenten study of "Made for A Miracle" by Mike Slaughter will begin. It will comprise of 6 session each Wednesday night at **6pm**. We encourage you to come as you prepare your hearts and minds.

Transition Team Meeting Sunday, March 17th at 6pm. All members encouraged to attend.

Administrative Council meeting on Monday, March 18th at 7pm.

April 2019 Newsletter Deadline: Tuesday, March 19th. Please have all information to church office.

Sunset Drive Ladies' meeting on Thursday, March 21st at 6:30pm.

Every Soul Women's Worship Day is at Broadway High School on Saturday, March 23rd. It's free, but you need a ticket. See Donna Belle if you need more information. It's a wonderful day of praise, worship, fellowship and inspirational speakers.

The **Ladies' Ministry** is planning their annual yard/bake sale. The sale has tentatively been set for Saturday, April 27th. Remember us as you start your spring cleaning. No clothing items, but all else is appreciated.

The Lions Clubs "**Recycle for Sight**" program collects, sorts and distributes donations of used eyeglasses to people in need. There is a drop-off box in the narthex if you would like to donate any used glasses that you have. All donations are greatly appreciated

Stewardship Report: March 3, 2019

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| Church School Last Sunday | 35 |
| Worship Last Sunday | 69 |
| General Fund | \$ 1,865.01 |
| Needed weekly to meet budget: | \$4,225.46 |
| Restricted Funds | \$ 175.00 |

Current financials are on the bulletin board for you to examine.



Staff

Pastor: Tom Murphy
Secretary: Lisa Thacker
Custodian: Angie Coffman
Youth Coordinator: Lacey Roberts
Music Director: Harlen Miller

March Usher: Jacob Gilley

Sunset Drive Lenten Activities

Bible study series:

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Fifth Sunday in Lent - April 7, "Making A New Thing"

Palm Sunday, April 14, "Preparing"

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Maundy Thursday

April 18th at 7pm

Good Friday

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Sunrise on the Mountain Top at the Grandle's cabin 6:00 am.

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