Contemporary Worship of God
March 8, 2020 | 9:45 a.m. | Second Sunday of Lent

Welcome to Worship
We are so glad you have chosen to join us for this time of celebration and spiritual growth! Prayer request cards and offering envelopes are available in the atrium near the doors to the Souljourn worship space. Please fill these out and place in the offering basket or give to a pastor. You are invited to sign the attendance pew pad as it is passed. If you are a visitor, your information will help us reach out to welcome you.

*Celebrating in Song
From the Day
God with Us

*Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People & 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.

Song of Preparation
Draw Me Nearer

Scripture & Sermon
*Genesis 12:1-4 .......................................................... Wendi Price
Letting Go .............................................................. Duke Lackey

*Song of Response
Overwhelmed

Giving & Receiving Blessing Through Our Offerings
(Text to Give: text nrumc8501 to 73256)
Calvary
Exaltation! and Congregation

Prayers of the People
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.

*Song of Going Forth
This Is Amazing Grace

* Benediction
*At points marked with an asterisk, those who are able may stand.
You are invited to stay and visit with one another, or attend the 11:00 Reflections Adult Sunday School class in Room S1 downstairs.

Stephen Ministers are trained Christian caregivers and are available for conversation and/or prayer following the worship service. Look for anyone wearing a blue Stephen Ministry name tag.

Traditional Worship of God
March 8, 2020 | 10:00 a.m. | Second Sunday of Lent

Chimes of the Trinity & Prelude
A time for reflection and preparation for worship.
Dr. Candace Bailey, organ

Welcome to Worship........................................................................... Alan Felton
We invite everyone, especially visitors, to fill out the attendance pew pad and return it to the inside end of the pew.

*Hymn of Praise
Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine ............................................. No. 606
Accolyte: Connor McCland

Pastoral Prayer .................................................................................. Ken Klingborge

Lord’s Prayer in Unison
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.

Giving & Receiving Blessings through Our Offerings
(Text to Give: text nrumc8501 to 73256)
It Is Well ....................................................................................... Kristene Dimarco

*The Doxology (No. 95)
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication ........................................ Ken Klingborge

This Morning’s Scripture & Sermon
*Genesis 12:1-4
LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God…
ALL: Thanks be to God.

God Called ..................................................................................... Alan Felton

*Hymn of Sending Forth
O God, Our Help in Ages Past ....................................................... No. 117

*Benediction ................................................................................. Alan Felton

Chimes of the Trinity & Postlude
Dr. Candace Bailey, organ

*At points marked with an asterisk, those who are able may stand.

The Welcoming Prayer
Gently become aware of your body and your interior state.

Welcome, welcome, welcome.
I welcome everything that comes to me in this moment
Because I know it is for my healing.

I welcome all thoughts, feelings, emotions, persons, situations, and conditions.

I let go of my desire to change any situation, condition, person, or myself.

I open to the love and presence of God
And the healing action and grace within.

- Mary Mrozowski (1925-1993)
Traditional Worship of God  
March 8, 2020 | 8:30 & 11:15 a.m. | Second Sunday of Lent

Chimes of the Trinity & Prelude  
A time for reflection and preparation for worship.

The Cold of Between ............................................................... Rima Greer 8501 B.C.

Welcome to Worship .............................................................. Duke Lackey (8:30); Alan Felton (11:15)  
We invite everyone, especially visitors, to fill out the attendance pew pad and return it to the inside end of the pew.

*Hymn of Praise  
Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine ............................................. No. 606  
Acyhite: Brethren Pedenpen (11:15)

*Affirmation of Faith (The Apostles’ Creed) （11:15）  
No. 881

* Gloria Patri （11:15） ................................................................. No. 70

*Passing the Peace  
LEADER: May the Peace of Christ be with you.  
ALL: And also with you.

Pastoral Prayer ................................................................. Duke Lackey (8:30); Alan Felton (11:15)

Lord’s Prayer in Unison （11:15）  
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.

Anthem  
My Hope Is In the Lord .......................................................... Marianne Forman  
Youth Choir & Silver Chords Seniors’ Choir

Giving & Receiving Blessing Through Our Offerings  
(Text to Give: text num 8501 to 73256)

Larghetto in D Minor ............................................................... Michael Mazzatenta  
Rainbow Ringers  
We appreciate the dedication of our musicians. Many participate in more than one service and may leave after the offering.

*The Doxology （No. 99）  
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 Thanksgiving and Dedication .................................................. Alan Felton

Children’s Message （11:15） ............................................................. Duke Lackey  
After the Children’s Message, children age 3 through 2nd grade may attend Children’s Church in the Music Room and return during the last hymn.

*Hymn of Preparation  
Lead Me, Lord ................................................................. No. 473

This Morning’s Scripture & Sermon  
*Genesis 12:3 4 ......................................... Polly Smith (8:30); Amanda Mueller (11:15)  
LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God…  
ALL: Thanks be to God.

God Called ................................................................. Alan Felton (8:30)  
Letting Go ................................................................. Duke Lackey (11:15)

Sacrament of Holy Communion （8:30） ......................................................... Pg. 12

*Hymn of Sending Forth  
O God, Our Help in Ages Past .................................................. No. 117

*Benediction ................................................................. Alan Felton (8:30); Duke Lackey (11:15)

Chimes of the Trinity & Postlude  
Postlude on a Theme of Orlando Gibbons ........................................... C. V. Stanford  
Dr. Candace Bailey, organ

*At points marked with an asterisk, those who are able may stand.

Prayer Concerns  
(If you have prayer concerns, please fill out a request card in the pew backs and place it in the prayer request box in the lobby or contact the church office at 919.847.1536.)

Fritz Behrens  
Robert Brewer  
Sandy Lappart  
Millie Likes  
Dorothy Ferrara  
Madison Hanks  
Norma Johnson  
Sanny Kroese  
Larry Lazarus  
Joan Murphy  
Karen Moss  
Addison Owens  
Gene Martinez  
Bill McKee  
Bob McKethan  
Bill Mitchell  
Karen Moss  
Steve Salisbury  
Allison Green  
Ben Shore  
Sharon Reynolds  
Aida Rivera  
C. V. Stanford  
Rima Greer  
Norma Johnson  
Bob McKeithan  
Terry Partin  
Charlene Sutton  
Martha Taylor  

Our Military  
(A-Army, ANG-Army National Guard, AF-Air Force, N-Navy, M-Marines, C-Coast Guard)

Kevin Bailey (ANG)  
Robinson Carroll (ANG)  
Brian (Cody) Dixon (ANG)  
Jarred Frederick (AF)  
Chase Groom (C)  
Robert Main (A)

Patrick Mooneyham (AF)  
Lee Osburn (M)  
Logan Osburn (A)  
CJ Peacock (N)  
Keegan Timmons (M) (deployed)

Our Memory  
Jay Kitts, in the death of his father, Jackie Kitts.

Orchids  
(One or both orchids can be sponsored in honor or memory of a loved one or to honor groups within the church. To sponsor, contact the church office at info@nrumpc.org or 919.847.1536.)  
The orchids are given to the Glory of God!

*Renumbered.*

Bereavement  
Jay Kitts, in the death of his father, Jackie Kitts.

Good morning and welcome to worship! Even though “spring is in the air” with the start of Daylight Saving Time, the youth of 8501 B.C. will bring us together for worship with a “wintry” prelude called The Cold of Between. Composer Rima Greer is heralded for her incredible imagination, and was a founding member of the legendary recording ensemble Campanile, which is fondly remembered by many in the handbell community as being well ahead of its time.

The anthem, so perfectly suited for the season of Lent, combines the voices of our Youth Choir and our Silver Chords Seniors’ Choir. The poetry was written by Norman Clayton in 1945 (and thus celebrates its 75th anniversary this year); however, Marianne Forman’s music wasn’t composed until last year. You’ll note that the text has a very hymn-like quality, and the music pairs beautifully with it. We often discuss in the music ministry the importance of conveying the “message in the music,” and when the notes paint the picture of the text, that’s even easier to do.

For our offertory, the Rainbow Ringers will offer a piece composed specifically for handbells, Mike Mazzatenta’s Larghetto in D Minor. The word larghetto simply connotes the tempo of the piece, which is fairly slow (it shares the same root as the word largo, which means “broadly”). Mike is originally from Michigan (and I actually had the same piano teacher as kids, but didn’t know this until a chance encounter at a handbell event decades later—music definitely makes the world smaller!). He has lived in Arizona, North Carolina, and Texas. Today’s offertory is a slight departure from his usual jazz fare (though fellow “theory geeks” will recognize a seven chord here and there!), and even though it has no text, I believe you’ll be able to picture the scene at Calvary as you listen.

My Hope Is In the Lord  
(Marianne Forman), anthem

My hope is in the Lord, who gave Himself for me and paid the price of all my sin at Calvary.  
(Refrain): For me, He died; for me, He lives; and everlasting life and light He freely gives.

No merit of my own, His anger to supress. My only hope is found in Jesus’ righteousness.  
(Refrain)

And now for me He stands before the Father’s throne. He shows His wounded hands and names me as His own!  
(Refrain)

My grace has planned it all, ‘tis mine but to believe and recognize His work of love and grace.  
(Refrain)

Gently become aware of your body and your interior state.  
I let go of my desire to change any situation, because I know it is for my healing.  
I welcome everything that comes to me in this moment.

The Welcoming Prayer  
Gently become aware of your body and your interior state.

Welcome, welcome, welcome.  
I welcome everything that comes to me in this moment.

Because I know it is for my healing.

I welcome all thoughts, feelings, emotions, persons, situations, and conditions.

I let go of my desire to change any situation, condition, person, or myself.

I open to the love and presence of God.

And the healing action and grace within.

-- Mary Mrozowski (1925-1993)
NEWS & NOTES

NEW Thursday Night Worship Service Launching March 5! This Lenten season, come experience our new worship service on Thursday nights at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Worship will be casual, engaging, and everyone is welcome. We will parallel the Sunday morning worship sermon series and conclude April 2. Come at 6:00 for refreshments & conversation! Questions or looking to serve? Contact Ashley Will (associatepastor@nrumc.org or 919.847.1536 x114).

Driving Kindness Bags are in the Atrium Today! These bags for the homeless were sponsored by Denise and Mike Brown. Sponsors are still needed for August and September. Contact Michael Glasgow (michaelg@nrumc.org or 919.847.1536 x105) if you are interested. The Music Ministry does all the shopping; your commitment involves a $100 donation and about 30 minutes of assembly time for 100 bags.

Not Your Mama’s Small Group Spring Study The Not Your Mama’s Small Group will be using a guided study exploring the themes of neighboring from the recently released film A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood about Fred Rogers. This faith-based perspective on a pop-culture icon will be approachable and insightful. As always, we look forward to time together for growth and fellowship. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 10 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. in Room E25. For more info, contact Amandsa Saunders (avsaunder@yahoo.com).

Time Is Our Gift: 5-Week Grief Support Program Continues

Time Is Our Gift: Grief Support Group 5-Week Program

Time is our gift: Tony Ivosic (aivosic@msn.com or 919.744.8184). Come enjoy a fantastic and diverse program of sacred music at this free concert given by our own chamber choir in our Sanctuary (no admission will be taken, but there will be a freewill offering to support the music ministry): next Sunday, March 15!

Snacks for Baileywick Part of our partnership with Baileywick Elementary is providing teachers with bulk snacks to give to kids that don’t have them. The snacks should be purchased in bulk packaging and be free of nuts, nut by-products, and excess sugar. See the list of appropriate snacks on the poster in the Lobby or Atrium. Drop off in the collection bins in the Lobby, Atrium, and outside the church office by March 29. For more info, contact G.G. Dexter (ggdexter@nc.rr.com or 919.870.8228).

High Notes Chamber Choir Concert, NEXT SUNDAY at 7:00 p.m.

Come enjoy a fantastic and diverse program of sacred music at this free concert given by our own chamber choir in our Sanctuary (no admission will be taken, but there will be a freewill offering to support the music ministry): next Sunday, March 15!

Cancer Support Group, Thursday, March 19, 6:30 p.m. Caregivers and patients, church members and non-members all are invited for a time of prayer and support. For more information, contact Ashley Will (associatepastor@nrumc.org or 919.847.1536 x114).

Safe Sanctuaries Training, Sunday, March 22, 5:00 p.m. If you are an adult working with youth during Big Idea and need Safe Sanctuaries training, or if you are a volunteer with youth or children who needs to renew their training status, make sure to attend the next training on March 22 at 5:00 p.m. in Room V1. For more info, contact Jen Haselden (youthministry@nrumc.org or 919.847.1536 x113).

SAVE THE DATE! Vacation Bible School Registration Opens March 15!

**Sacred Conversations: Understanding Unconscious Bias** Join us on Monday, March 23 at 7:00 p.m., for our next Sacred Conversation. We will use a variety of videos and table discussions to create a dialogue about the different sorts of bias that exist in everyday life. RSVP by scanning the QR code with your mobile device or visit nrumc.org. For more information, contact Alan Felton (execpastor@nrumc.org or 919.847.1536 x104).

**Bunnies ‘n Pigs Family Picnic March 29** Kids, after the 11:15 service, bring your family to the Fellowship Hall and enjoy hot dogs grilled by the United Methodist Men, a performance by the S.O.U.L. Puppets, the Easter Story, and an Easter egg hunt. RSVP at nrumc.org/event/bunnies-n-pigs-family-picnic. For more info, contact Cassidy Plunkett (familyministry@nrumc.org or 919.847.1536 x101).