

First United Methodist Church

March 26, 2017

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Prelude	Carol Dickinson <i>"Holy Spirit" – Arrg. Townsend</i>
Call to Worship	Choir <i>"He Leadeth Me" (UMH 128)</i>
Invocation	Rev. Freeman
*Gloria Patri	UMH 70 <i>"Glory Be to the Father"</i>
*Hymn	UMH 577 <i>"God of Grace and God of Glory" (vs. 1,3,4)</i>
*Affirmation of Faith	UMH 881 <i>The Apostles' Creed</i>
Children's Time	Rev. Freeman
Offertory	Carol Dickinson <i>"Beneath the Cross of Jesus" – Arrg. Maker</i>
*Doxology	UMH 95 <i>"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"</i>
*Hymn	UMH 378 <i>"Amazing Grace" (vs. 1,2,3,4)</i>
Pastoral Prayer	Rev. Freeman
Anthem	Choir <i>"Greater Grace than Our Sins"</i>
Scripture	John 19:13-25
Sermon	Rev. Freeman <i>"Was Blind But Now I See"</i>

***Hymn**

UMH 349

"Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"

***Benediction**

Choral Benediction

Choir

"Lead Me, Lord" (UMH 473)

**Please stand as you are able*

Welcome to First United Methodist Church! Thanks for worshipping with us! We hope you experienced God's love for your life while you were here. If this is your first time, we hope you'll come back. If you wish to know more about our church, here's how:

- ❖ Please contact Rev. Freeman at efreeman@umcna.org or (205)393-2232; or at heypreacher.wordpress.com
- ❖ Visit our website – www.Winfieldfumc.com
- ❖ We're on Facebook – **Winfield First United Methodist Church**
- ❖ Call or e-mail the church office at (205)487-2405 or info@winfieldfumc.com

In Worship Today:

- ❖ Rev. Earl Freeman
- ❖ Amanda Anderson – Interim Choir Director
- ❖ Carol Dickinson – Organist
- ❖ Jimmy Chaffin, Wayne Garrett, Robert Moore, & Harry Rodgers.– Ushers

Church Staff

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John 19:13-25

13 When Pilate heard these words, he led Jesus out and seated him on the judge's bench at the place called Stone Pavement (in Aramaic, Gabbatha). **14** It was about noon on the Preparation Day for the Passover. Pilate said to the Jewish leaders, "Here's your king." **15** The Jewish leaders cried out, "Take him away! Take him away! Crucify him!" Pilate responded, "What? Do you want me to crucify your king?" "We have no king except the emperor," the chief priests answered. **16** Then Pilate handed Jesus over to be crucified. The soldiers took Jesus prisoner. **17** Carrying his cross by himself, he went out to a place called Skull Place (in Aramaic, Golgotha). **18** That's where they crucified him – and two others with him, one on each side and Jesus in the middle. **19** Pilate had a public notice written and posted on the cross. It read "Jesus the Nazarene, the king of the Jews." **20** Many of the Jews read this sign, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city and it was written in Aramaic, Latin, and Greek. **21** Therefore, the Jewish chief priests complained to Pilate, "Don't write, 'The king of the Jews' but 'This man said, 'I am the king of the Jews.'" **22** Pilate answered, "What I've written, I've written." **23** When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and his sandals, and divided them into four shares, one for each soldier. His shirt was seamless, woven as one piece from the top to the bottom. **24** They said to each other, "Let's not tear it. Let's cast lots to see who will get it." This was to fulfill the scripture, They divided my clothes among themselves, and they cast lots for my clothing. That's what the soldiers did. **25** Jesus' mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene stood near the cross.

Announcements

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Chuck Alexander: Chuck is a patient at the Shepherd Center, located at 2020 Peachtree Rd., NW, Atlanta, GA 30309-1465. If you wish to help the family, you may make a donation through our church. Just make your check payable to WFUMC, mark it for the "Chuck Alexander Fund," and put it in the offering plate.

Winfield United Methodist Preschool:

- ❖ Preschool will be hosting a yard sale on May 3rd. We are collecting items to sell. Please call Elizabeth at 205-495-1226 if you need items picked up. The Church asks that Preschool stand alone financially, so all contributions are greatly appreciated.
- ❖ Preschool will also be selling Swamp John's tickets for \$11. Swamp John's will be serving on Wed., April 5th, 3:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Ushers for April

- ❖ Todd Anderson, Allen Brasher, J. Max Brasher, & Roger Davis.

Weekly Events:

- ❖ Disciple Fast Track Bible Study, Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.
- ❖ **NO** Bible Study, Wednesday, 3/26
- ❖ Children, Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ Youth, Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ Adult Choir Practice, Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Monthly Events:

- ❖ **Finance Committee Meeting**, Sunday, Mar. 26, at 4:30 p.m.
- ❖ **Administrative Board Meeting**, Sunday, Mar. 26, at 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ **NO First Wednesday Potluck** on Wednesday, Apr. 05, 5:30 p.m.
- ❖ **Methodist Men's Breakfast** will be Sunday, Apr. 16, at 7:30 a.m.
- ❖ **Staff-Parish Relations Committee**, Tuesday, Apr. 18, at 5:30 p.m.
- ❖ **Finance Committee Meeting**, Sunday, Apr. 23, at 4:30 p.m.
- ❖ **Administrative Board Meeting**, Sunday, Apr. 23, at 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ **Wesleyan Fellowship** will be Monday, Apr. 24, at 6:30 p.m.

Memorials & Honorariums

- ❖ **Jerry Russell:** A donation has been made to the Memorial Fund in memory of Jerry Russell by Roger & Petra Davis.

Praises

- ❖ **Eloise Mills** reported that her CT scan showed cancer-free.

Prayer Requests

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Church Family:

Chuck Alexander
Nell Attaway
Edd & Mary Jim Black
Max & Patsy Brasher
Misty Brown
Rose Byrd
Patsy Earnest
Peggy Gilmer
Marie Hill
Frank Housh
David Keeton
Glenn May
Harold McDonald
Vicky McGee
Jim & Sue Perry

Lynn & Hilda Smith

Amanda Carothers South

Extended Family:

Family of Gene & Betty Aldridge; family lost both parents in last 3 weeks

Mickey Anderson (father-in-law of Amanda Anderson)

Allen Barber, cancer has returned (friend of the Sexton family)

Cyrus Brock

Flo Cunningham, surgery (mother of Tina Atkinson & Sherry Cunningham)

Bill Foster (brother-in-law of Earl Ray Norris)

Jennifer Fowler (friend of Misty Brown)

Rebecca Fuqua, hospitalized (mother of Diana Reaves)

Jeff Halcomb, cancer (friend of Jimmy Chaffin)

Family of Libby Hankins, who passed away March 17.

Danny Harbin, cancer (friend of Linda McDonald)

Martha Harris (friend of Linda McDonald)

Clay Jones

Bobby Lacey, leukemia

Tim Mansfield (nephew of Linda McDonald)

Beth Mason (sister of Lynn Crook)

Stacy McDonald (daughter-in-law of Edwin & Linda McDonald)

Myra Miles

Duane Odell diagnosed with stage 4 breast cancer (friend of Deborah Tidwell)

John Pasqual, on dialysis, to receive kidney from Beverly Nabors

Jimmy Redmill, cancer (friend of Jim Raines)

Mellissa Shelman

BellaRose Smith (granddaughter of Lynn & Hilda Smith)

Buddy Smithers (cancer) & wife, Ginny (caretaker) (friends of Jim Raines)

Karen Yeager Stephens for radiation/chemo (friend of Bill Belle Isle)

Glynda Swinney, chemo (friend of Linda Housh)

Roy Dale Tidwell, surgery for colon cancer (brother of Tex Tidwell)

Thomas Tyra (father of Cynthia Tyra)

Rose Warren, hospitalized

Karl Yeager, heart surgery (friend of Bill Belle Isle)

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