

SERMON NOTES

Date: _____ Preacher: _____

Sermon Scripture/Text: _____

Sermon Title: _____

Points to Remember:

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Conclusion: _____

What will I do as a result of this message?

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Pray and meditate on His word!



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Enter to Worship

Depart to Serve



Jesus replied: "A certain man was preparing a great banquet and invited many guests. Luke 14:16 (NIV)

"STOP YOUR EXCUSES!!!"

Come walk with us; we will do thee good!



Word from our Pastor

Greetings in the precious and powerful name of our Lord and Savior.

As we transition into the month of March, I would like to highlight in this month's greeting Women's History Month.

Women's History Month is a celebration of women's contributions to history, culture and society and has been observed annually in the month of March in the United States since 1987.

Women's History Month is a dedicated month to reflect on the often-overlooked contributions of women to United States history. From Abigail Adams to Susan B. Anthony, Sojourner Truth to Rosa Parks, the timeline of women's history milestones stretches back to the founding of the United States.

The actual celebration of Women's History Month grew out of a weeklong celebration of women's contributions to culture, history and society organized by the school district of Sonoma, California, in 1978. Presentations were given at dozens of schools, hundreds of students participated in a "Real Woman" essay contest and a parade was held in downtown Santa Rosa.

A few years later, the idea had caught on within communities, school districts and organizations across the country. In 1980, President Jimmy Carter issued the first presidential proclamation declaring the week of March 8th as National Women's History Week. The U.S. Congress followed suit the next year, passing a resolution establishing a national celebration. Six years later, the National Women's History Project successfully petitioned Congress to expand the event to the entire month of March.

As a congregation we have begun to make some strides toward uplifting the women of our community and nation. Therefore, it is essential that we make greater efforts by engaging our entire body throughout the month of March but also throughout the entire year. Many of the women of our culture and times have made unique and significant contributions towards building greater homes, communities, states, and nation. Join me this month and daily in celebrating the persons in your life and communities who are trailblazers and difference makers.

Let me close by thanking and celebrating the women of my family, church, and community for the great contributions you have made and continue to make for the good of the family, church, and community. We salute and love you for all you do!

Blessings and Thanks a Million

Pastor Simmons

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The Reedy Fork Center for Community Development's Summer Enrichment Initiative has limited space available to students in 1st through 8th grade. Registration is now taking place and ends April 30th, 2024. To register online please scan the QR code below.



REMINDER: Don't forget to sign the Attendance Card located on the clipboard in the back of the pew.

Save the Date: Mid-Year Church Business Meeting will be held Saturday, March 9, 2024 @ 9:00 a.m. in room 205.

The Health and Wellness Ministry, in recognition of National Women's History Month, presents "Empowered by Faith: Women in History and Health" in the RFBC Family Life Center Parlor on Sat., March 16, 2024, at 1 p.m. Each woman attending is asked to please invite another to come with you. A Sign-up sheet will be outside the Admin. Office. Please contact Sis. Yvonne Posley for more information.

I am so thankful to the Reedy Fork Baptist Church Family for the many cards, as well as your thoughts and prayers during my time of healing. Your love, kindness, and support is truly a Blessing, and greatly appreciated. Love, Carla P. McDaniel

Please help support our Girl Scouts fund their annual trip. Girl Scout cookies will be available for purchase on Sundays following the church service. Cookie sales end today March 3rd, 2024.

We have started gathering pledges for our 1000 Men for Education Fund. Our goal is to obtain as many pledges of \$50 or best offer from as many Men and Women at RFBC as possible. Please see Bro. Anthony L Tate, SC Baptist Brotherhood Region #4 Vice President to make a pledge by April 30, 2024.

All Ministry Leaders are requested to attend the March Advisory Team Meeting on Monday, March 4th, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. IF you are unable to attend, please send a representative.

All Deacons and Deacon Candidates are requested to attend each of these training sessions on: Fri, 3/22 @ 6 p.m., Sat., 3/23 @ 9 a.m., Fri. 4/12 @ 6:30 p.m. and Sat., 4/13 @ 9 a.m.

JOIN US SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:35 AM VIA RFBC APP, FACEBOOK LIVE, AND THE PRAYER LINE NUMBER (Call-In #: 267-807-9605, Access Code: 769-622) FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP!!

Mission Statement



This church seeks to glorify God by **Reaching** people for Christ; providing **Teaching** opportunities for them to grow in Christ; **Ministering** to the needs of the congregation, community and the world; devoted to enjoying the **Fellowship** of one another, and continually **Worshipping** together.

Our Vision

"Reaching The Unchurched for Christ"

"Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day." Acts 2:41 (NIV)

"Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20 (NIV)

Our Values

Together we Serve through:

- † **Worshipping God alone**
- † **Loving God and One another**
- † **Respecting ALL People**
- † **Remaining Humble**
- † **Practicing Honesty and Integrity**
- † **Living Morally**
- † **Striving for Excellence in everything we do!**
- † **Sharing in Generosity through Time, Talent, and Money**
- † **Being Non-Hypocritical**
- † **Being Non-Judgmental**
- † **Not Holding Grudges**
- † **Forgiving Others**

The Church Gathers for Worship

The Lord's Day: March 3rd, 2024 @ 9:35 AM

Order of Worship

The Prelude -----Musicians
 The Prayer for the unchurched-----Deacon Eugene Williams and Deacon Jimmy Cecil
 The Call to Worship -----Minister Richard Black

Praise & Adoration:

The Invocation/Prayer of Confession -----Minister Richard Black
 The Prayer Response -----"The Lord's Prayer"
 The Praise Period -----Sis. Linda Faye Sullivan
 The Greetings -----Minister Richard Black

Confession & Forgiveness:

The Scripture in Response----- *Luke 14:16-24 (NIV)* -----Minister Richard Black

Thanksgiving:

The Offertory Prayer & Period of Giving -----Pastor Simmons
 The Pastoral Reflections -----Pastor Simmons
 The Recognition of March Birthdays & Anniversaries -----Pastor Simmons

Hearing from God:

The Musical Selection -----Praise Team
 The Spoken Word ----- "Stop Your Excuses!!!" -----Pastor Simmons
 The Call to Salvation -----Pastor Simmons
 The Hymn of Invitation -----(Instrumental) ----- "I Surrender All"
 The Call to Prayer ----- Minister Anna Hawthorne
 The Church Covenant in Response ----- Minister Anna Hawthorne
 The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper -----Pastor Simmons & Deacons
 The Hymn of Benediction/Benediction -----Pastor Simmons

2024 Goal: Reaching the Unchurched for Christ

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10 & 11	John Harris	553-3591
	Kelvin Young, Chairman	757-9887
Deacons Emeriti <i>We give honor to those who have served us over the years.</i>	Rodger Burton, Sr.	963-5173
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	Jerry Earl	414-1852
	Joe G. Hawthorne	243-2704
	David Lewers, Sr.	243-4077
	Beattie Robinson	269-7667

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Teddy & Jacqueline Makins (28)	3/2	Novick & Delores Mitchell (7)	3/8
Bobby & Shirley Spurgeon (48)	3/27	John & Mary Evans (61)	3/30
Jimmy & Anna Cecil (29)	3/31		

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Joshua Abrams	3/1	Alivia Rosemond	3/2	Nadine Sullivan	3/2
Kimberly Beaufort	3/3	Mikayla Morrison	3/3	Sheralyn Smith	3/3
JoAnn Sullivan	3/3	Johnny Black	3/8	Pauline Kelly	3/8
Mikus Nelson	3/8	Carolyn Jameson Sullivan	3/9	William Coleman	3/10
Alex Sullivan	3/11	Yvonne Jennings	3/12	Paulena Chapman	3/13
Alexis Rosemond	3/14	Jeremiah Madden	3/15	Elizabeth Robertson	3/15
Vanessa Robinson	3/16	Shanice Evans	3/18	Kimberly Grady	3/18
Bobbie Henderson	3/19	Avery Thomas	3/20	Zayla Rhodes	3/21
De'Andre' Grady	3/22	Marilyn Hill	3/22	Leilani Grady	3/24
Taneka Babb	3/25	Bouvia Jones	3/26	Wade Garrett	3/27
Johnie Chapman	3/28	Kendall Garrett	3/28	Doris Grady	3/28
Curtis Hill	3/29	Alicia (Darci) Burton	3/30	Lisa Jackson	3/30
Eric Rogers	3/30	Clara Ann Young	3/31		

Leader: God speaks to our hearts in silence.
Congregation: Be still and touch God's presence.
Leader: Listen to the stars
Congregation: They tell of God's glory!
Leader: They have no words
Congregation: Yet in their beauty, God speaks
Leader: Listen to creation
All: *It Sings God's song of peace.*

Scripture in Response: Luke 14:16-24 (NIV)

Leader: ¹⁶Jesus replied: "A certain man was preparing a great banquet and invited many guests.
Congregation: ¹⁷At the time of the banquet he sent his servant to tell those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.'
Leader: ¹⁸"But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said, 'I have just bought a field, and I must go and see it. Please excuse me.'
Congregation: ¹⁹"Another said, 'I have just bought five yoke of oxen, and I'm on my way to try them out. Please excuse me.'
Leader: ²⁰"Still another said, 'I just got married, so I can't come.'
Congregation: ²¹"The servant came back and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and ordered his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind and the lame.'
Leader: ²²"'Sir,' the servant said, 'what you ordered has been done, but there is still room.'
Congregation: ²³"Then the master told his servant, 'Go out to the roads and country lanes and compel them to come in, so that my house will be full.'
All: ²⁴I tell you, not one of those who were invited will get a taste of my banquet.'"



The Lord's Supper Servers

Piano Side

Deacon Eugene Williams

Organ Side

Deacon Jimmy Cecil

365 Intercessory Prayer Group Schedule

Day	Date	Time	Member/Household Assigned	Call-In
Sunday	3/3/24	6:33 AM	Eugene & Selina Williams	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Monday	3/4/24	6:33 AM	Jimmy & Anna B Cecil	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Tuesday	3/5/24	6:33 AM	Casper & Yvonne Posely	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Wednesday	3/6/24	6:33 AM	Anthony & Daisy Hill	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Thursday	3/7/24	6:33 AM	Lonnie & Glenda Hawthorne	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Friday	3/8/24	6:33 AM	Jeffery & Mary Sligh	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Saturday	3/9/24	6:33 AM	Gary & Renee Cook	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622

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Convalescent Center

Mary Dennis N.H.C. Mauldin

"And they entered into a covenant to seek the Lord God of their Fathers with all their heart and soul." (II Chronicles 15:12)

Minister: What common experience leads us into spiritual fellowship and covenant relations with God and one another?

Congregation: Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior; and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; we do now, in the presence of God, angels, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

Minister: By what pledge do we turn from the ways of the world?

Congregation: With this view, we engage to strive for the advancement of this church in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality, to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines.

Minister: What vows do we gladly make as stewards of that which God has entrusted to us?

Congregation: To contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel to foster Christian education and missions throughout all nations.

Minister: For the sake of our home and loved one, what tasks do we humbly assume?

Congregation: We engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; and to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances.

Minister: For the sake of the unsaved for whom Christ died to what manner of life and conversation are we solemnly pledged?

Congregation: To walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and the use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our effort to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

Minister: Since One is our Master, even Christ and all we are brethren, by what fraternal ministries are we to strengthen each other and adorn the teachings of our Lord?

Congregation: We further engage to watch over each other in brotherly love and watchfulness; giving and receiving admonition with meekness and affection; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rule of our Savior, to secure it without delay.

Minister: For the good of our own Spiritual development, and for the best interest of the Master's kingdom, what do we promise to do if we move beyond the reach of this church?

Congregation: We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church of this faith, where we can carry out the spirit of this Covenant and the principles of God's Word.

All: Humbly confessing our past sins, we pray for grace and strength to keep these, our holy vows, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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March 2024 Calendar

25	26	27	28	29	1	2
					6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. Administration Office Closed	6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. -9:00 AM Deacons & Deacon Wives Meetings -11:00 AM Children/Youth Chior Rehearsal -12:00 PM Golden Age Ministry Meeting
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. -8:30 AM Sunday School -9:35 AM Worship Service -4:00 PM Girl Scouts Meeting	6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. -11:00 AM Staff Meeting -6:30 PM Advisory Meeting	6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. -10:30 AM New Member Class -5:30 PM New Member Class -6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal	6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. -10:05 AM Bible Study -6:00 PM S.S. Teachers Mtg -7:05 PM Mid-Week Srvc.	6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. -6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal	6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. Administration Office Closed	6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. -9:00 AM Mid-Year Business Meeting -9:00 AM Ushers Ministry Meeting -11:00 AM Children/Youth Chior Rehearsal
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. Easter Sunday -6:00 AM Sunrise Service @ Bethlehem Bapt Church -8:30 AM Sunday School -9:35 AM Worship Service						