

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Lord Jesus Christ, in deep gratitude for this moment and for the provision of your table, we give ourselves to you. We confess we so often labor for what does not satisfy; we try to drink from broken cisterns. As those who delight in your abundance, send us out to live changed lives, for having shared in the Living Bread, we cannot remain the same. Ask much of us this Lenten journey, enable much by us, encourage many through us. For we journey with you, Lord Christ, Spirit-led, into the wilderness of all our fears, there to find the courage—and the manna, the quail, the raisins and nuts, the fish, the angel food cakes—that strengthen us to lean once more into the winds of grace that have sustained your people through all the wildernesses of life. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING THE PEACE

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all
All: And also with you.

THE WORD

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH Jen Jammer

NEW TESTAMENT Psalm 107:1-9

ANTHEM Come, Ye Sinners Poor and Needy arr. Young
(Chancel Choir)

GOSPEL READING Matthew 4:1-11

MESSAGE A Table in the Wilderness, week 1: Jesus
Christopher Jackson

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

All: 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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

RESPONSE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY The Power of the Cross Cottrell
Parker Guy, Stuart Harrell, Tinsley Olive

†DOXOLOGY #592

“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

SENDING

†HYMN #81 Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

†BENEDICTION

†POSTLUDE The Old Rugged Cross arr. Keyser

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross
The emblem of suffering and shame
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown

†All who are able, please stand

~~~PASTORAL CONCERNS~~~

We ask that you keep our home-bound in your thoughts and prayers.

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| P.W. and Martha Jessup       | Steve & Orion Gaynos          |
| Jean Robinson                | Madie Rae Locklear            |
| Lisa Hitt                    | ("Grandma" to the Guy Family) |
| (daughter of Gayle McDonald) | Lib Yarborough                |
| Charlotte Ingram             | Bill Johnson                  |
| June Marie Smith             | Betty Graham                  |
| Doris & John English         | Steve Harden                  |
| Violet McNeill               |                               |
| Randy Gainer                 |                               |

Please let us know if you have concerns that you think the church should know about. Please limit to close-extended family. We will put their names (and relation to you if you desire) in the email update. The names will be removed after a few weeks unless requested otherwise. Kelli 910-401-0928 or kellilu@gmail.com

**Worship Leaders**

- Rev. Chip Stapleton, Senior Minister
- Pam Langston, Dir. of Music Ministries
- Jen Jammer, Dir. of Children's Ministry
- Chris Jackson, Dir. of Youth Ministry

Hello Highlanders,

There are several things that we are offering this year in order to help make the most of this season of reflection.

First, we will again be having our 'Lenten Lunches'. We will gather each Thursday, beginning March 2nd, in the chapel @12:15pm for a brief service including prayer, song, and a devotion. Immediately after the service we will gather in the side-dining hall for a simple soup and sandwich lunch. This year we will include a service during Holy Week, on Maundy Thursday.

Second, we have both physical (available at the office) and digital weekly devotional (created by the PC(USA) vital congregations institute). You may access all of our Lent information at www.hpchurch.org/lent. The devotional can be used alone but is designed to be the starting point of a conversation in a group. The devotional includes a series of recipes that could be used as you gather weekly to discuss.

Third, we have a daily devotional available digitally (www.hpchurch.org/lent). This is written by Kate Bowler, who is the author of the Good Enough book that we used last year during Lent.

Fourth, we will gather for an adult study each Wednesday during Lent. We will focus our discussion by using the book, Meeting Jesus at the Table, which you can order online, or pick up for \$10 at the church office.

Additionally, each week in worship we will focus on, A Table in the Wilderness, a worship series that will consider how God meets us in our Wilderness times, bringing his providential care in our time of need.

I hope you will join us throughout Lent as we prepare our hearts, minds, and lives for all we will experience during Holy Week and Easter.

Sharing God's Love,

~Chip

**BIBLE STUDY**

The Thursday morning Bible study class is about to begin a new study on Phillipians. We will be using a workbook and video by Beth Moore called The Surpassing Value of Knowing Christ, a Study of Phillipians. The study will begin March 2 in the new wing room #219. We meet from 10 to 12 and welcome all.

**SUPERS FOR 6**

We are having such a good time with our Supers for 6 and want all who want to participate to sign-up now! We are opening "enrollment" for the 2nd-quarter of the year. Please get a sign-up form at the front desk, fill it out, return it to Kelli (or drop it at the front desk or in the offering plate). Someone will get in touch with you as to who is in your group.

If you need to step away from this program for a little bit, let Kelli know that as well. (Kellilu@gmail.com).



**Lenten Services and Lunch**

Join us each Thursday during Lent (starting March 2nd) for a short service in the Chapel at 12:15pm, followed by a delightful lunch (\$5) in the side-dining room.

