

1st Sunday in Lent
March 10, 2019
8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Classic Services

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting Dr. Jan Davis

Opening Voluntary
(8:30) *Lord Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor* arr. L. Shackley

(10:45) *Because of Love* B. Nix
Celebration Singers

* **Call to Worship** Rev. Greg Gibson

Pastor: Let us worship God,
who reconciled us to himself through Christ.

**People: We are new creations;
the old has gone, the new has come!**

Pastor: Let us worship God as Christ's ambassadors.

**People: Through us and through our worship
may we announce the good news to all.**

Pastor: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

People: Praise God! We are reconciled, redeemed, renewed!

* **Hymn 269** *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* LAND OF REST

* **Affirmation of Faith 881** (The Apostles' Creed)

**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 Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

* **Gloria Patri 70** MEINEKE

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

Anthem

(8:30) *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship* arr. J. Curnow
Andrew Baker, oboe

(10:45) *My Eyes for Beauty Pine* H. Howells
Chancel Choir

Call to Prayer

Journey with us, O holy God, as we begin our way to the cross.
Sharpen our focus, that our attention may center more on you
than ourselves. Lead us through the shadows of darkness and prepare
our hearts, that we might be a people of prayer, ready to perceive and
respond to your Son and our Savior, Jesus Christ. It is in his name that
we pray together this prayer.

Congregational Prayer

**Lord God, we gather in this place not because we are deserving of
your love, and not because we have lived faithfully before you.
We gather here because you have called us. You loved us before we
could love you. You have given your Son for our salvation. For this
we join all creation in blessing you, praising you, thanking you.
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! You are great, and greatly to be
praised. As we offer our praise, we long for you to mold us in the
image of your Son, whose death and resurrection give us hope.
Through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Silent Prayer and Pastoral Prayer

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.**

Giving of our Tithes and Offering

Offertory *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* arr. C.H. Perry

* **Doxology 95** (led by our 2nd Graders at 10:45) OLD 100th

**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.**

* **Hymn 395** *Take Time to Be Holy* HOLINESS

* **Sermon Text** Luke 4:1-13
This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon **Wilderness:
Temptation** Dr. Jan Davis

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

* **Hymn 467** *Trust and Obey* TRUST AND OBEY

* **Benediction**

* **Closing Voluntary** *Jesus, Lover of My Soul* arr. D. Bednall

The asterisk (*) indicates to stand, as you are able.

Central UMC Pastors:
Dr. Jan Davis, Dr. Steve Pulliam, Rev. Greg Gibson
Rev. Emily Burch (College Pastor); Rev. Jody Farrell (Genesis Pastor)
Dr. Jack Wilson (Pastor Emeritus); Rev. Tony Holifield (Pastor Emeritus)

Director of Music & Fine Arts:
Dr. Frode Gundersen

Organist & Associate Director of Music:
Scott Montgomery

Sound/Video:
Andrea Lewis, Amy Hardin, Devin Topf

Acolytes:
(8:30) Jack O'Brien
(10:45) Emily Crecelius & Tyler Johnson

WORSHIP NOTES

We are glad that you are here to worship,
and welcome our first-time guests!

We hope you will examine the numerous opportunities
to participate in the life of Central United Methodist Church.

There are worship bags for children available for today's service.
Ask an usher if you would like one, and please return the bag after the service.

As we prepare for worship, please silence all cell phones and electronic devices.

A friendly reminder that no food or drink is allowed in the sanctuary.
Help us keep our newly renovated sanctuary beautiful.

2nd Grade Milestone: The Doxology

Because Central encourages families to worship together, the 1st – 6th grade Sunday
School classes each have a "Worship Milestone" they work on throughout the year. Today
we recognize and celebrate the 2nd grade class as they come forward during the 10:45
Classic Worship Service to lead the congregation in singing The Doxology. Please pray for
these children and their families as they celebrate this milestone in their spiritual journey.

Celebration Singers

3rd-6th Grade | Education Building Room 102

This elementary choir which sings occasionally in worship, learns sacred music that
nurtures their musical growth and understanding. The Celebration Singers rehearse every
Wednesday, 5:15 - 6:00 p.m. For more information, contact Scott Montgomery
at smontgomery@centraltolife.com.