

1st Sunday in Lent
February 21, 2021

GREETING AND WELCOME

Buddy Butler

PRELUDE *Living Sacrifice (A Worship Sequence)* Jerrie Sue Massengale
I Give All to You, I Surrender All, Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated

CALL TO WORSHIP

We are gathered to worship our God.

Send your Spirit upon us.

We come from many places, with many burdens.

Send you Spirit upon us.

We turn our hearts to you, O God.

Send your Spirit upon us, and make us your beloved family.

OPENING PRAYER

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HYMN OF PRAISE, 252 *When Jesus Came to Jordan*

Choir

*PROFESSION OF FAITH, 756

Psalm 25

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

O my god, in you I trust, let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me.

Let none that wait for you be put to shame;

Let them be ashamed who are clothed with treachery.

Make me to know your ways, O Lord;

Teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth, and teach me,

For you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.

Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been of old.

Remember not the sins of my youth, or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

Good and upright is the Lord; therefore the Lord instructs sinners in the way, and leads the humble in what is right, and teaches them their way.

All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep the Lord's covenant and testimonies.

*GLORIA PATRI, 70 **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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

DOXOLOGY, 95

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, 467

Trust and Obey

Choir

*Congregation standing, as able

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1:9-15

SERMON

Buddy Butler

HOLY COMMUNION

see bulletin insert

INVITATIONAL HYMN, 2025

As the Deer

Choir

*SENDING FORTH

*POSTLUDE

As the Deer, reprise

Jerrie Sue Massengale



LENTEN
BIBLE STUDY

Pastor Buddy has begun a weekly **Lenten Bible Study** that will be available online on Wednesdays. You may see the video bible study on our website: fumc-copperhill.org or on Facebook: First United Methodist Church-Copperhill. The audio-only version will be available on Sermon by Phone at 423-226-6437.

The **Trustees** will meet on Thursday, February 25, at 7 p.m. at First UMC.

Prayers of the People: As a way of making sure prayer requests may be heard by online listeners, it is requested that a prayer card be filled out (please print) and given to Pastor Buddy prior to the Prayers of the People time during the service. The blue prayer cards are available in the Narthex.

The **Community Meal** has resumed on Mondays, 4—6 p.m. Meals are “to go” only. There is no charge for meals but donations are accepted and appreciated. If you would like to help, please contact Sheppie Dunn or Evelyn Stemmann. The volunteers served 86 meals on February 1, 120 meals on February 8 and 98 meals on February 15. The Community Meal phone number is 423-241-2282.

The **United Methodist Women's Pecan Sale** is concluding: pieces and cinnamon glazed are still available—discounted to \$10.00 each.

Upper Rooms for March—April are available in the Narthex.

The **Sonshine Class** will resume meeting after our members have received the Covid-19 vaccinations. Thanks for your understanding and patience.

Attention High School Seniors: 2021 **Faith Scholarship** and **Tommy Mitchell Memorial Scholarship** applications are available in the church office or in the Guidance Counselor's Office at Fannin County High School and Copper Basin High School. Completed applications must be received in the church office by 2 p.m. on April 15, whether brought in person, or sent via email or by mail.

Church Leadership

Pastor Buddy Butler
Choir Director Ben Sexton
Accompanist Jerrie Sue Massengale
Secretary Heidi Rule
Custodian Christine Dowlin

Sunday Servants

Ushers Christine Dowlin Randy Loudermilk*
 *Team captain Bill Simonds Charlie Stemmann
Sound Tech Randy Loudermilk
Webmaster Marti Lane



Our Prayer Concerns

Our Congregation: the family of Herb Hood, Juline Mixon, Carolyn Weese, the family of Jack Dunn, the family of John Williams, Smokey Brooks, Hannah Geren, Barb Bender

Homebound/Assisted Living: Fay Norwood, Emily Yaxley, Dot Sullivan, ^Warrene Alexander

Others in our prayers: *+Weldon Self, Jr. (UT Chattanooga Hospital), *David Queen (brain tumor), *Joe Roth (friend of Heidi Rule), *James Maddox (teenager with epilepsy), Debby Glenn (aunt of Leland Rymer -Covid), Hoot and Gwen Skelton (Covid), Jessie Lebo (grandmother of April Butler), the family of Bill Adams, Ricky Callihan (Covid), Deenie and Roger Thomason of Turtletown (home burned), the family of Mike Queen, the family of Becky Singletary, the family of Steve Eaton, the family of Ted Del Rio, Jill Chatham Anderson, pancreatic cancer (step-daughter of Brenda Chatham), Kerry and Cindy Hicks, first responders, our armed forces

*new to concerns +Hospital ^Assisted Living/Nursing Home ~ Hospice

If you would like to add someone to our Prayer Concerns please call the church office.

Birthdays

25 Sheppie Dunn

If your birthday or anniversary has not appeared in our listings please call the church office so we can update our records.

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Please donate nonperishable food items in the Narthex box - peanut butter, jelly, breakfast cereal, oatmeal, macaroni, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, rice, vegetables, soup, chili, canned meat, tuna, etc. *Thanks to all who contribute - the families are always grateful.*



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Prayer of Confession, 890

**Most Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
By what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
That we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

All pray in silence.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. Before the mountains were brought forth, or you had formed the earth, from everlasting to everlasting, you alone are God. You created light out of darkness and brought forth life on the earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ, in whom you have revealed yourself, our light and our salvation.

By the baptism of his suffering, death and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in unison with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

Amen.