

3rd Sunday in Lent

March 7, 2021

GREETING AND WELCOME

Buddy Butler

PRELUDE

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Arranged by Tom Fetke

Jerrie Sue Massengale

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING PRAYER

Buddy Butler

HYMN OF PRAISE, 295

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Choir

*PSALTER, 750

Psalm 19

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament^a proclaims his handiwork.

Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

In the heavens God has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat.

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;

the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;

the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;

the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes;

the fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever;

the ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;

sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

But who can understand one's own errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me!

Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your

sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

*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, 529

How Firm a Foundation

Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

John 2:13-22

SERMON

Buddy Butler

INVITATIONAL HYMN, 504

The Old Rugged Cross

Choir

*SENDING FORTH

*POSTLUDE

Oh How He Loves You and Me

Jerrie Sue Massengale

*Congregation standing, as able



You may see Pastor Buddy's video bible study on our Facebook page: First United Methodist Church-Copperhill. You can also subscribe on YouTube. The audio-only version will be available on Sermon by Phone at 423-226-6437.

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 114 meals on March 1. The Community Meal phone number is 423-241-2282.

The **United Methodist Women's Pecan Sale** is concluding: only 5 bags remain: 4 pieces and 1 cinnamon glazed—discounted to \$10.00 each.

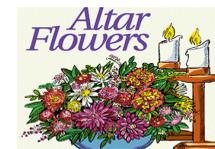
Attention High School Seniors: 2021 **Faith Scholarship** and **Tommy Mitchell Memorial Scholarship** applications are available in the church office or in the Guidance Counselor's Office at Fannin County High School and Copper Basin High School. Completed applications must be received in the church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

FROM “THEY” TO “WE” - UMCOR is the United Methodist Committee on Relief, and yet they are anything but a typical committee. They are a program by the General Board of Global Ministries taking action when disaster strikes around the globe. We will be highlighting UMCOR during our next Special Sunday, on March 14. UMCOR acts as the hands and feet of Christ's church, moving towards the most vulnerable in their time of need. Helping people in their darkest days doesn't have to be something “they” do, it can be something “we” do. We hope that you will give generously on UMCOR Sunday so that we, along with our United Methodist congregations around the globe, can share compassionate relief in the midst of devastation. Until then, let's be praying for the volunteers, the lives they touch, and for hearts to be moved.

Daylight Savings Time begins on March 14. Set your clocks ahead an hour Saturday evening, March 13.



The **Church Council** will meet on Tuesday, March 23, at 6:30 p.m.



The beautiful flowers on the Altar are placed in loving memory of Herb Hood by his family.

Church Leadership

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

Sunday Servants

Ushers Barry Abbott Dellon Ash
*Team captain Jerry Dunton Shirley Starling
Sound Tech Randy Loudermilk
Webmaster Marti Lane

Our Prayer Concerns

Our Congregation: Juline Mixon, Carolyn Weese, Smokey Brooks, Hannah Geren, Barb Bender

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

Others in our prayers: *Barbara Polos, friend of Evelyn Stemann (cancer), *Alexis, granddaughter of Pamela Gamble (seizures), Marti Lane's cousin Bill Rider (cancer), +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 (recuperating at home), 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

7 Grace Walker 8 Jennifer Walker 10 Laura Day, Joy Turner

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

Scan here to give: when you scan this image with a smartphone's QR decoder, it will connect you to the mobile version of the FUMCC web page—a quick and easy way to access it. You can also donate securely online at fumc-copperhill.org.



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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Secretary's Office Hours: Monday, Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

