

The Order of Worship
March 21, 2010

Minister: Rev. James Adams
Lay Leader: Gary Brown
Music/Worship Director: Rebecca Haywood

Organist/Pianist: Debbie Mink
Nursery: Phyllis Shepherd
Secretary: Vickie Ellis

Bold Print indicates a congregational response * Indicates to stand, if able

Gathering Before God

Prelude Debbie Mink
* Call to Worship
* Opening Hymn *Holy, Holy, Holy* No. 64
* Opening Prayer
* Song of Praise *We Will Glorify*
* A Sharing of the Peace of God

Hearing God's Word

A Time for our Children
Chorus of Preparation *Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet* *(Chorus twice)*
First Scripture Lesson Isaiah 43:16-21 Rebecca Derossett
Gospel Lesson Mark 15:15b-23
(after the Gospel is read, the following response)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Special Music *The Tree of Sorrow* Chancel Choir
Today's Message The Torture and Humiliation of the King Rev. Adams

Responding to God

* Hymn of Response *And Can It Be* No. 363
* Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed

Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus Christ, when our words and actions reflect a reluctance to confess you publicly as Lord of our lives:

Forgive us.

When we fear that humbling ourselves, would be seen by others as weakness, or some kind of defect in our character:

Forgive us.

When we have betrayed your love for us through our lack of love for you, for others, and for ourselves:

Forgive us.

When we find ourselves glossing over the events of your passion and death because we look forward to Easter as a time to enjoy holidays and have fun.

Forgive us.

Lord Jesus Christ, fix your mind in us; and remake us in your likeness; empty us of all that hinders us from following you to where pain and suffering, exploitation and injustice exist.

Gracious and loving God, empower us with the Holy Spirit so that our lives continually glorify you and our tongues forever confess Jesus as Lord. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

Debbie Mink

* Doxology *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Serving God in the World

* Benediction and Sending Forth

* Final Song *Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing*

This Week at First Church

Today:

10:55 Worship
4:30 Beginning Bells
5:00 Bells

Wednesday, March 24

7:00 Choir

Thursday, March 25

10:00 Sewing Circle

Nursery Volunteer for Mar. 21 – Barbara Burchett

Children's Church for Mar. 21 – Brad & Jenny Burchett

Acolytes for Mar. 21 – Matt Burchett, Andrew Burchett

Greeters for Mar. 21 – Tom & Robin Smith

Nursery Volunteer for Mar. 28 – Susan Greene

Children's Church for Mar. 28 – Robin Smith

Acolytes for Mar. 28 – Tate Greene, Reece Hamilton

Greeters for Mar. 28 – The Honeycutt Family

Ushers for March 2010 – Eddy Clark, Charlie Miller, Josh Turner, Neil Turner

Record of our Faithfulness: Sun., Mar. 14 Morning Worship-90, Sunday School-34

General Fund-\$2007.00, Building-Loan-315.00, Total Giving- \$3370.00

Today, is the deadline to order your Easter Lilies. The lilies will decorate our Sanctuary on Easter Morning and you may take them home after service that day. The cost is \$8.00 each, forms are in your bulletins.

The Pictorial Directories are here, if you had your picture taken for the directory, you may pick up yours at the Church office. In order to make sure that everyone who is entitled to a directory gets one, we ask that you sign your name in our proof book.

Daily Lenten Devotions online: <http://holylent2010.wordpress.com>.

*Holy Week services will be here at FUMC at Noon each day beginning next Monday, March 29 and ending on Good Friday, April 2. Scheduled speakers are: Monday, Father Bob Damron; Tuesday, Rev. Jerry Workman; Wednesday, Rev. Jeff White; Thursday, Bro. Tommy Reed and Friday, Rev. Jim Adams, and **ladies** that means that we will be providing lunch that day, contact Elizabeth Ramey for items needed.*

Thursday, April 1, 6:30 pm we will have a Maundy Thursday service.

Beginning Wednesday, April 7, 6:00 pm Becky Derossett will be leading a 7-week Bible Study on King David. The cost of the book is \$3.00. Contact Becky to sign up or for more info.