

# First Church at Worship

*The warnings are plentiful and blunt on the third Sunday in Lent. Lent is a season of repentance. Cut it out or get cut down! The warnings are accompanied by God's invitation to attentiveness: "Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live." The landowner's ultimatum is forestalled by the gardener's readiness to till the ground one more year. That is good news for all of us. Thanks be to God!*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY Johannes Brahms  
"Ah, Holy Jesus"

## \* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 127 CMW Rhondda  
"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God  
who brings us safely through the sea,  
who gives us water from the rock,  
who leads us into the land of milk and honey. *Amen.*

Merciful God,  
*we have sinned against heaven and before you.  
We do not fully live as you sons and daughters.  
We use your gifts to our own ends.  
Forgive us and restore us,  
that we may resist all that draws us away from you,  
and be at peace with one another. Amen.*

We are reconciled to God through Christ;  
for his sake, God does not count our trespasses against us.  
Once dead in sin, we are alive to God.  
Once lost, we are now found.  
God clothes you in the finest robe of all,  
the righteousness of † Jesus Christ,  
forgiving all your sins  
and making you a new creation.  
*Amen.*

KYRIE ELEISON New World

Kyrie, Kyrie eleison  
Kyrie, Kyrie, eleison.  
Christe, Christe eleison.  
Christe, Christe eleison.  
Kyrie, Kyrie eleison.  
Kyrie, Kyrie eleison, eleison.

(Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.)

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM No. 39

Brothers and sisters in Christ: through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

I present Caroline Rae Dudley for baptism,  
daughter of David and Allison and little sister to Kathrynne.

## RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

On behalf of the whole church, I ask you:  
Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?  
I do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?  
I do.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?  
I do.

Will you nurture this child in Christ's holy church, that by your teaching and example she may be guided to accept God's grace for herself, to profess her faith openly, and to lead a Christian life?  
We will.

The pastor addresses the congregation.

Do you, as Christ's body, the church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?  
We do.

The pastor addresses the congregation.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include this child now before you in your care?

*With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround Caroline with a community of love and forgiveness, that she may grow in her trust of God, and be found faithful in her service to others. We will pray for her, that she may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.*

The pastor addresses all:

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

Do you believe in God the Father?  
*I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.*

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?  
*I believe 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, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?  
*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.*

The Lord be with you.  
*And also with you.*

Eternal Father: When nothing existed but chaos, you swept across the dark waters and brought forth light. In the days of Noah you saved those on the ark through water. After the flood you set in the clouds a rainbow. When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt, you led them to freedom through the sea. Their children you brought through the Jordan to the land which you promised.

*Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of God's mercy each day.*

In the fullness of time you sent Jesus, nurtured in the water of a womb. He was baptized by John and anointed by your spirit. He called his disciples to share in the baptism of his death and resurrection and to make disciples of all nations.

*Declare his works to the nations, his glory among all the people.*

Pour out your Holy Spirit, to bless this gift of water and one who receives it, to wash away her sin and clothe her in righteousness throughout her life, that, dying and being raised with Christ, she may share in his final victory.

*All praise to you, Eternal Father, through your Son Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns for ever. Amen.*

ANTHEM "Baptized in Water" *Bunessan*

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ,  
Our King; heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,  
Faithfully now God's praises we sing.

Caroline, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit, you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Now it is our joy to welcome our new sister in Christ.  
*Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as members of the family of Christ.*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON OT. Pgs. 685-86  
Isaiah 55: 1-9

THE PSALTER No. 788 Richard Proulx  
Psalm 63: 1-8 *with response*

THE EPISTLE LESSON I Corinthians 10:1-13 NT Pg. 172  
This is the word of God for the people of God.  
*Thanks be to God.*

\* THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 13:1-9 NT Pg. 76  
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CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Rev. Kyle  
"Bloom Where You're Planted"

Children ages three through third-grade may go to Children's Church in room 123.  
Nurseries provided for infants through 3 years in rooms 118 & 120.

SERMON "Second Chances" Rev. Kyle Randle

CALL TO PRAYER Jacques Berthier  
"O Lord Hear My Prayer"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  
After each petition, please respond  
Hear us, O God.  
*Your mercy is great.*

OFFERTORY John Walther  
"O Sacred Head Sore Wounded"

\* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION No. 13

Taking the Bread and Cup  
The Great Thanksgiving  
The Lord's Prayer  
Giving the Bread and Cup

ANTHEM at COMMUNION Maurice Bevan  
"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

This morning Communion will be received by Intinction. The ushers will direct congregants to one of three stations where the bread will be given for you to dip into the Chalice. You are invited to kneel at the Chancel Rail following the receiving of the elements.

\* HYMN OF SENDING No. 438 Duke Street  
"Forth in Thy Name, O Lord"

\* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY Leon Boellmann  
"Toccata (from Suite Gothique)"

\* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God  
and in honor of Diana Rodwell's birthday  
by Leonard Rodwell.

The flowers in the Narthex are given to the glory of God  
and in celebration of the marriage of  
Adam and Casey Miller  
by the bride's parents, Lynn and Irby Koon.

Evening Service in the Hut  
6:00 p.m.  
Dr. Val Dunham, speaker

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#### NOTES FOR WORSHIP

Numbers by the hymns, Affirmation of Faith, Doxology, and Psalter are from the United Methodist Hymnal found in the pew racks. Old Testament and New Testament scripture readings are from the New Revised Standard Version, located in the pew. Page numbers for the readings are listed in the order of worship.

### Serving This Sunday, March 3

**Altar Guild:** Wilmarie Boatwright, Callie Timbes, Peggy Turnes  
**Spirit Kite, Crucifer and Acolyte:** Ann Morgan Fallaw, Sydney Stegall,  
Lila Myers, Caroline Todd

**Counting Committee:** (Sunday) Blake Martin, Delan Stevens  
(Monday) Maxine Dunn / Margaret Thompson

**Trustee Duty:** Jim Edwards

**Sound Technician:** Lee Hickman / Charles Hucks / Thomas Hickman

**Ushers:** Mark Brooks (Chairman), Jim Ward (Co-Chairman)  
Jim Edwards, Chad Hardwick, Tommy Harper, Billy Jones, Britt Stiltner, Bill Taylor, Alex Todd, William Goldfinch

**Children's Church:** Charles and Ann Myers, Jan Bitting

### Stewardship & Attendance

<b>Operating</b>	<b>9,120.55</b>	Sunday School	161
Music Scholarship	1.00	Morning Worship	275
Good Samaritan	25.00	Evening Worship	19
Youth	50.00	Wonderful Wednesday	103
Building Fund	657.00		
Total	9,853.55	CAP Items	58

### This Week at FUMC

#### Sunday, March 3

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
9:45 a.m. Confirmation Class / Rm. 205  
10:00 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast 100.9 FM  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary  
5:30 p.m. UMYF / FLC  
6:00 p.m. Evening Service / The Hut

#### Monday, March 4

6:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting / FLC  
7:00 p.m. Henry/Rogers Circle / FLC Senior Room

#### Tuesday, March 5

10:00 a.m. Burroughs/Collins Circle / FLC

#### Wednesday, March 6

3:00-4:00 p.m. Gathering: Snacks, Homework, Playtime / Room 119  
4:00-5:30 p.m. Learning/Crafts/Activities / Room 119  
4:30-5:00 p.m. Wesley Chimes / Handbell Room 211  
5:00-5:45 p.m. Cherub & Wesley Treble Choirs / Choir Room 105  
5:30-6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal / Fellowship Hall  
6:15-7:00 p.m. Carillon Rehearsal / Handbell Room 211  
6:30-7:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study / Second Floor Commons  
7:00-8:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105

#### Thursday, March 7

10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study / FLC Senior Room  
12:00 p.m. Lenten Luncheon / St. Paul's Church



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Third Sunday in Lent  
March 3, 2013  
11:00 a.m.

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### Welcome to First United Methodist Church

Out of a broken and sinful world, all people are welcomed into the body of Jesus Christ at First Church. As children of God, together we join in worship to experience the transforming love of our Savior.

We are here this morning to worship God. Through our songs, words of praise, prayers and scripture reading, we give honor and glory to God. Wondrous things happen as we worship. Lives are changed. The presence of God brings hope, comfort, healing, and joy. Let us worship in gladness. Jesus, the Lord of Life is with us.