COUNTDOWN

WELCOME
“If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee”
arr. Kevin McChesney
Jubilation Ringers

MEET & GREET
PRAISE SONGS
“All My Fountains”
“Forgiven”
Youth Praise Band – Pierced

ANNOUNCEMENTS
BAPTISM
Leo James Zimmer

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER
For more information and classroom assignments for Children’s Sunday School, please see Children’s Ministry News on the back panel of this bulletin.

CALL TO OFFERING
OFFERTORY
“Ever Be”

SCRIPTURE
Mark 1:9-14

MESSAGE
“Our Biggest Temptation”
Chris Curvin, Pastor

COMMUNION
COMMUNION MUSIC
“On Eagle’s Wings”
arr. Mark Hayes

SONG OF DEDICATION
“Jesus”

GOD’S BLESSING TO YOU

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY NEWS
8:15 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (16/17 School Year)
Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship following the anthem.

9:30 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
3 Yr. Olds-Kindergarten, Room 3
Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Kelly Tighe & Nancy Stevens.

1st-2nd Grade, Room 2
Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Suzanne & David Hamilton.

3rd-5th Grades, Room 8
Students gather to worship at the beginning of the service with their teachers, in the front Sanctuary rows, closest to the band. After the Prayers of Joys & Concerns, they will move to room 8 with Justine Ruiz.

11:00 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (16/17 School Year)
Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship following the anthem.

Childcare for children 3yrs-5th grade who attended Sunday school at 9:30 will be in room 2.

Parents, if you wish for your children to receive communion please have them remain with you in the worship service on Communion Sundays. If you have any questions regarding the process, please contact Elder Dawn Winder, Chair of Worship Team.

9:30 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
Middle & High School Sunday School during the 9:30am service will meet for the New Serendipity Class with Youth Director, Jon Drawdy.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
9:30 TCI (Today’s Christian Issues) Class– Rooms 9 & 11
Today’s lesson is about the diminishing fresh water supply—the next global crisis. The class will be led by Ken Tobiassen. Come and join us for coffee and cookies and a lively discussion.

9:30 A.M. Serendipity Class
The “New Serendipity Class” for youth and adults will continue a study of Job today in the Youth Room.

11:00 A.M. Experiencing God Class in rooms 9 & 11 led by Vicki Knueger.

6:30-7:30 p.m. Bible Study in rooms 4 & 6
Join us as we continue our Bible study, Sunday evenings at 6:30. We are beginning a study on characters in the Old Testament, learning more about some of the familiar ones as well as some less well-known characters. Come see how God used ordinary, flawed people like us for his work in this world. We meet in Room 6 for one hour. This is a discussion class where everyone has a voice. The book we are using is “Characters of the Old Testament” by Peter Scazzero. Any questions? Please call Cindy Huffman at 727-733-8726.

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First Sunday in Lent

Ministers: All Members of the Church
E. Chris Curvin, Pastor
Paul Means, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Mission

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Order for the Public Worship of God
March 5, 2017
1st Sunday in Lent
8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services

WE GATHER
(Let the congregation be silent, and in prayer as the worship begins.
Please silence electronic devices.)

CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader: Chris Curvin, Pastor
People: The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in love.
Leader: Tested by the devil in the wilderness, Jesus said:
People: You shall worship the Lord your God alone.
Leader: Let us worship God.

OPENING VOLUNTARY
"If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee" arr. Kevin McChesney
(Jubilation Handbell Choir
(Acolytes symbolically bring in the light of Christ & then take it out into the world.)

WELCOME & ANOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
(Include the bulletin insert, “FRIENDSHIP SHEET,” and pass it toward the people.

*HYMN #166 "Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days" ST. FLAVIAN

WE CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION
Leader: Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)
Most Holy God, we confess to you and each other that we are so dazzled by
the false gods of this age, that we find it hard to recognize who we are, where
we came from, or where we are going. We easily become caught up in selfish-
ness, seduced by cynicism, walled by glittering consumerism, and led around
by the nose in our own vested interests. Most Loving God, open our eyes that
we may see ourselves more clearly, and seek you more diligently. Bring us to pray to honest repentance and the renewal of our faith and love.
In Jesus' name, Amen!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE
Our Lord, in your struggle you chose to obey;
God's word filled your heart and you trusted God's way.
Now risen, you save us from sins that destroy;
You give us your Spirit, your peace and your joy.

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
(from the Heidelberg Catechism)
Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?
People: That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life
and in death, to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for
all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a
way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my
Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my
salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit,
assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing
and ready from now on to live for him.

WE GATHER

WE share

MUSICAL OFFERING
"Out of the Depths I Cry to You" Randall Thompson

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #165 "The Glory of These Forty Days" ERHALT UNS, HERR

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING
Mark 1:9-14 (page 812)

SERMON
"Our Biggest Temptation" Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE UNITE IN PRAYER AND SACRAMENT

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE SHARING OF THE CUP
(The distribution of the bread and cup
is symbolic of our unity in Christ, we hold the bread until the Elders and
Deacons are served and then all partake as one body. To symbolize our
personal relationship with the Lord, we drink of the cup, as the Spirit
leads.)

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION
"Adagio" W.A. Mozart
(From Concerto for Clarinet in A Major (K. 622)

HEATHER, WOOD, CLARINET

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #64 "Amazing Grace" AMAZING GRACE

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY
"Christ the King" Dorn Paul Benoit
(1893-1979)
(You are invited to remain for the final act of worship, the closing voluntary. A
closer look is welcomed if you wish to come stand next to the organ console.)

Stephanie Carson, Music Director
Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director

*Congregation will stand. If standing is difficult for you, feel free to remain
seated.

The pastor continues the thanksgiving, recalling the institution of the Lord’s Supper.

The pastor gives thanks appropriate to Lent remembering God’s acts of salvation, and concludes:

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

The pastor sings: "Amazing Grace."