

Fletcher's Chapel United Methodist Church

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And he was
transfigured



before them, and *his face*

shone like the sun.



and his clothes became
dazzling white.

Matthew 17:2

The Prelude

***Chiming of the Hour**

***The Call to Worship**

The Lord is King! The Lord is King over all people and all creation.

The foundations of God's throne are justice and equity, and Holiness and Justice are names for the Lord our God.

The Lord is King! The Lord is King over the nations, and humanity's cultures, traditions and relationships.

The foundations of God's throne are love and mercy, and Love and Mercy are names for the Lord our God.

The Lord is King! The Lord is King over all thought, imagination, intuition, and the endless search for knowledge.

The foundation of God's throne is wisdom, and Wisdom is a name for the Lord our God.

All: Come, let us worship this Holy and Wise God. Amen.

***Hymn**

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

UMH 158

The Opening Prayer

Reveal your presence to us this day, O God of light, love, and glory. As you did to your servants at the foot of the mountain, send your Spirit to show us your story. May the brilliance of your face illuminate this place as we dare to proclaim your Word and may we, your people, be never unable to tell all of that we have heard. **Amen.**

Welcome and Announcements

The Children's Message

Time of Sharing and Prayer

Celebrations of God's Grace and Prayer Concerns

The Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer (UMH 895)

***Hymn**

"Open My Eyes that I May See"

UMH454

Prayer for Illumination

God our light, make us attentive to your Word as to a lamp shining in a dark place, that seeing your truth we may live faithful lives until that great day dawns and the morning star rises in our hearts. **Amen.**

The Scripture Reading – 2 Peter 1:16-21

p. 1834

Special Music

KayHawkins

The Gospel Reading – Matthew 17:1-9

p. 1477

This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Message

“The Great Invitation: Shine!”

The Receiving of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory Music

***The Doxology** (UMH 95)

***The Prayer of Dedication:** God of mountaintops and valleys, be our vision of you clouded or brilliantly clear, we faithfully add our gifts to those being given all around us. Bless these offerings that they may be transfigured into your presence in the world. **Amen.**

***Hymn**

“O How I Love Jesus”

UMH170

***The Charge and Blessing:**

Come down from the mountain with mountain-like faith. Walk on God's paths as bright, shining lights. Live in God's ways with faith, hope, and love. Go into the world transformed and renewed! **Amen.**

Postlude

“Bless the Lord” (2X)

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God’s Holy name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

**Please stand as you are able.*

Assisting with Worship Today March 5, 2017

Scripture Readers Pam Thompson (8:30) Tina Lauber (8:30)

Greeters Kenny Newton (11:00)

Volunteers Needed: The sign-up sheet is on the front center pew.

Welcome Cards – We welcome all our guests. There are welcome cards located in the pews. Please take a moment to fill one out and place it into the offering plate during the collection.

About Fletcher’s Chapel Church

Our Vision is to be a beacon in the name of Jesus Christ to the world, to make disciples of Jesus Christ and to send them forth to proclaim God’s Word and serve God’s will everywhere and always.

Our Mission: “¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” -- Matthew 28:19-20

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MINISTERS:	All Members
PRESIDING BISHOP:	Sharma D. Lewis
DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:	Theodore Smith
PASTOR:	Michael B. Reaves
LAY LEADER:	Marie Williams
MUSICIAN:	Kay Hawkins

February 26, 2017 – March 5, 2017

TODAY	8:30am	Worship
	9:30am	Sunday School Opening (Sanctuary)
	10:00am	Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship
Wednesday, 3/1	9:30am	Heritage Hall Nursing Home Ministry
	7:00pm	Ash Wednesday Service
Thursday, 3/2	7:00pm	Board of Trustees
Saturday, 3/4	10:00am	Called District Charge Conference (Wright's Chapel Church)
Sunday, 3/5	Holy Communion/Canned Food Collection	
	8:30am	Worship
	9:45am	Sunday School Opening (Sanctuary)
	10:00am	Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship

Upcoming:

Wednesday, 3/8	10:00am	Morning Prayer Group
Thursday, 3/9	10:30am	Lenten Study Daytime Session (Week 1 of 5)
	7:00pm	Lenten Study Evening Session (Week 1 of 5)
Friday, 3/10	5:00pm	Girl Scouts
Sunday, 3/12	Daylight Savings Time Begins (Spring Forward)	
	Loose Change Collection	
	9:30am	Coffee Fellowship (Hosted by Troy & Pam Thompson)
Friday, 3/17	4:00pm	Serving Dinner at Thurman Brisben Center

Birthdays This Week

None this week



Our Prayers and Sympathies to the DeWaters Family. Robin's father, Jimmie McCallie, passed away on Monday, February 20 after a brief battle with cancer.

The Board of Trustees will have their annual organizational meeting Thursday, March 2 at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.

“The Great Invitation Concludes Today”

We conclude our series on “The Great Invitation” today with a final message titled **“Shine!”** We are called to exult in the vision of God’s exaltation of Jesus and in anticipation of our own transfiguration now and in the age to come. That hope, that vision, drives us not to stay where we are on the mountaintop, but to get into the valley of sin and suffering and be a healing and formative presence for all who seek God’s salvation with us in the weeks of Lent that lie ahead.

Next Sunday our series for Lent – **“Living Our Baptismal Calling”** – will begin with the message, **“Renounce,”** as we walk the way of temptation with Jesus and learn from him what it means to continue to renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of our sin.

February is Heart Havens Month!

*“Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.” –
1 Corinthians 12:27*

Everyone is part of the body of Christ. Heart Havens empowers adults with a developmental disability to be full members of the body of Christ, and active participants in their communities. Your gifts make their empowerment possible! Please make a donation to Heart Havens today. Take a brochure or visit www.hearthavens.org for more information.

Ash Wednesday Service: Join us on March 2nd at 7:00 p.m. for the Ash Wednesday Service. Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent. It marks the beginning of a period of reflection and penance. In the Bible, sprinkling oneself with ashes was traditionally a sign of one's sorrow for having committed sins. In the Christian tradition, Ash Wednesday also marked the beginning of preparation for the understanding of the death and resurrection of Christ. The particular symbolism of ashes for this day comes from a practice in the Roman Catholic churches in which the ashes from the palms used in the preceding year's Palm Sunday celebration are blessed. With these ashes, the priest on the first day of Lent marks a cross on the forehead of each worshiper. This practice has become a part of Ash Wednesday services in many United Methodist churches.

Coming this Lent:

“He Chose the Nails – What God Did to Win Your Heart” by Max Lucado

The wood. The thorns. The nails. Christ's sacrifice has defined the very essence of mankind's faith for the past 2000 years. And now, Max Lucado invites you to examine the cross, contemplate its purpose, and celebrate its significance with “He Chose the Nails.” The author examines the symbols surrounding Christ's crucifixion, revealing the claims of the cross and asserting that if they are true, then Christianity itself is true. The supporting evidence either makes the cross the single biggest hoax of all time, or the hope of all humanity.

This five-week study will meet on Thursdays at 10:30 am and 7:00 pm beginning March 9. See Pastor Mike to sign up.

Prayer Concerns:

Prayers for our Community and the World: The congregation and guests of Fletcher's Chapel and our community; the residents and staff of the Thurman Brisben Center; Our Bishop and his cabinet.

Prayers for Our Church Family: Jeanne Bullock, Dee Campbell, Arlene Coates, Delores Coates, Dewayne Coates, John Earl Coates, Ed Curtis, Pat Curtis, Audrey Davenport, Louise Henderson, Ray Highfield, Grace Humberger, Karis Humberger, Pam Hunter, Evelyn Jackson, Tommy Jacobs, Sr., Lolita James, McKennah Lauber, Turner Minx, Jesse Radolinski, Lily Radolinski, Clifton Seay, Shirley Seay, Annette Stahler, Pete Sullivan, Howie Weadon

Prayers for our Families and Friends: Krystalene Balao, Mikie Barker, Wesley Berry, Mitchell Burroughs, The Cameron Family, Barbara Canaday, Felecia Cook, Darrell Critzer, Tommy Davis, Chris Deike, Pat DeShazo, Rowena Diaz, Almeta Frazier, The Frazier Family, Gage Ford and Family, Wayne Gallahan, Jake Gallelo, Jeff Gilley, Karissa Greecher, Theresa Guarracino, Barbara Hatchell, Betty Jubb, Billy Kennedy, Sylvia Kennedy, Robert Klink, Becky Lafferty, Ronald Marshall, Paul Morfit, Mike Nave, Adolfo Pangilinan, Lina Perry, David Pitts, Elaine Cooley Pitts, Brad Pruett, Robert Pruitt, Chuck Rabbitt, Patrick Robinson, Sam Robinson, Brent Rowand, Barbara Rowe, Joey Rowe, Kelly Roy, Malone Schooler, Brian Scott, Joseph Sirrels, K. J. Spears, Claude Stevens, Mary Stewart, Vickie Stewart, Dickie Sullivan, Kevin Sullivan, Ryland Tedeton, Joan Wehner, Jen Ulrich

***Prayer Request Cards** are available in the pew rack*