

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**FEBRUARY 9, 2020**  
**11:00 A.M.**

Our Mission: *Follow Jesus, Make Disciples, Transform the World*

**PRELUDE**

**THE LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Come Let Us Tune Our Loftiest Song Choir

**CALL TO PRAYER**

{Prayer cards are available in the pews. If you have or know of a prayer concern that needs to be brought to the pastor's and/or congregation's attention, please fill out the prayer card and place it in the offering plate. Prayers will be lifted up.}

**PRELUDE TO PRAYER** More Love To Thee Choir

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (In Unison)

*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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*{Please take a moment to register your attendance on the pew pads. Your faithfulness helps us keep up with those in worship. Guests please also fill out the pew card you will find in the racks on the pews and drop them in the offering plate so that we can get to know you! Thank you for your attendance today!}*

**TIME OF GREETING**

{Please extend a word of welcome and a hand of hospitality to each other.}

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** Higher Ground #127 The Cokesbury Worship Hymnal

*1. I'm pressing on the upward way, New heights I'm gaining every day;  
Still praying as I'm onward bound, "Lord, plant my feet on higher ground."*

*Lord, lift me up and let me stand, By faith, on Heaven's tableland,  
A higher plane than I have found; Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.*

*2. My heart has no desire to stay Where doubts arise and fears dismay;  
Though some may dwell where those abound, My prayer, my aim, is higher ground.*

*Lord, lift me up and let me stand, By faith, on Heaven's tableland,  
A higher plane than I have found; Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.*

*3. I want to live above the world, Though Satan's darts at me are hurled;  
For faith has caught the joyful sound, The song of saints on higher ground.*

*Lord, lift me up and let me stand, By faith, on Heaven's tableland,  
A higher plane than I have found; Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.*

*4. I want to scale the utmost height And catch a gleam of glory bright;  
But still I'll pray till heav'n I've found, "Lord, lead me on to higher ground."*

*Lord, lift me up and let me stand, By faith, on Heaven's tableland,  
A higher plane than I have found; Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.*

**\*THE AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH** (In Unison)

The Apostles' Creed (#881 UMH)

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.  
And 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, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. 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.  
Amen. (\*\*universal)*

**STEWARDSHIP AND OFFERTORY**

**Psalm 54:4, 6** "Surely God is my help; the Lord is the one who sustains me...I will sacrifice a freewill offering to you, I will praise your name, Lord, for it is good."

**OFFERTORY** Springs of Living Water Choir

**THE OFFERTORY PRAYER** (In Unison)

**Holy and Precious God, you surely are the one who has sustained us. You have given us life. You have given us good things. You have cared for us beyond comprehension. When we have gone away from your good will for us, you still loved us and called us back to you. You have given the gift of salvation and freedom and Jesus. Because of your goodness, we give to say thank you. So that others might know of your goodness, we give these gifts back to you. Fill us with your Spirit that we might bring your good news to those around us. We praise your name Lord, for this is a good thing to do. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.**

**ANTHEM** Jesus Is Coming Soon Choir

**SCRIPTURE READING** (In Unison)

**Matthew 13:44-46** "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field.

<sup>45</sup> "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls.  
<sup>46</sup> When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it."

**SERMON** Rev. Kari L. Howard

The Real Treasure in the Kingdom  
Series: Kingdom People

**\*HYMN OF DEDICATION** Love, Mercy and Grace

#153 The Cokesbury Worship Hymnal

*1. 'Twas Love that gave at greatest cost A Life, that mine should not be lost  
The Love that died in deep despair My debt fully satisfied there  
It was love that took my place On the cross of Calvary  
It was grace, redeeming grace That paid my ransom full and free  
Over sin, without, within, I have the victory  
Thro' grace, marvellous grace That lives in me*

*2. The Love that freely all forgives In fullness now within me lives  
Thro' every trial this I see His grace is sufficient for me*

*It was love that took my place On the cross of Calvary  
It was grace, redeeming grace That paid my ransom full and free  
Over sin, without, within, I have the victory  
Thro' grace, marvellous grace That lives in me*

*3. God's love His mercy and His grace Combine to raise a fallen race  
His hand is ready, ere we call Held out with forgiveness for all.  
It was love that took my place On the cross of Calvary  
It was grace, redeeming grace That paid my ransom full and free  
Over sin, without, within, I have the victory  
Thro' grace, marvellous grace That lives in me*

**\*THE BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH**

**\*RECESSIONAL** Are Ye Able, Said the Master #186 Refrain  
(The Cokesbury Worship Hymnal)

*"Lord, we are able," Our spirits are Thine, Remold them,  
make us like Thee, divine. Thy guiding radiance above us shall be  
A beacon to Go, To love and loyalty."*

**\*POSTLUDE**

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

**MESSAGE NOTES:**

**One Line: Kingdom people \_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus.**

**What are the signs of the Kingdom of God around us?**

**What are our treasures in life?**

**How do we struggle to prioritize our treasures in our Christian walk?**

**Who can I help this week to see glimpses of the kingdom of God and the treasure it brings?**

### Church Calendar

#### Sunday, February 9

9:30 AM Young Adult Sunday School  
 9:45 AM Sunday School  
 10:30 AM Choir Warm Up  
 10:55 AM Prayer at the Altar  
 11:00 AM Worship

#### Tuesday, February 11

10:00 AM Bulletin Deadline  
 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Table of Grace

#### Wednesday, February 12

6:00 PM Choir Practice



### Blessing of the Bears Project

WinGs will be collecting teddy bears for the police and first responders of Randolph County to give to children. The Teddy bears need to be new and their size should be big enough to cuddle but not large enough to require a car seat— nothing too tiny or too big. The teddy bears will be blessed during the worship service on March 1.

The Leadership Team has been reading "What the Bible Says to me About Tithing, Giving & Generosity."

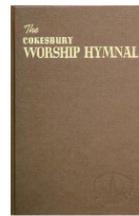
There are extra copies of this book available for anyone who would like to read it on the 2nd shelf of the bookcase in the back.

**Ash Wednesday Service,  
 February 26, at 7 PM  
 at Central UMC**

**All of us are invited to attend and our wonderful Handbell Choir will be playing during the service. Please make plans to come to this special time of worship.**

CUOC Item: Any Progresso Style Soup  
 Hospice Items: Snacks, Toiletries

**2020 Budget Offering  
 Needed Weekly is \$2,539.35.  
 Received Last Week: \$2,661.75  
 Thank you for your gifts!**



**We have enjoyed using The Cokesbury Hymnal along with the United Methodist Hymnal which we still use and will continue to use.**

Many of you have asked about having a copy of The Cokesbury Hymnal in our pews. We can have copies in each pew with your help. The Cokesbury Hymnal order forms are available from the clear display case near the carport door. If you would like to place a copy of the Hymnal in honor or in memory of someone special we will notate to whom it is placed in honor or memory of and from whom.

**Let's get those orders in by Easter Sunday, April 12. Thank you.**

**West Bend Yard Signs available for FREE! Pick yours up from the back of the sanctuary.**

### Cooking with God VBS

The Young Adults Class will be hosting a Cooking with God VBS for kids grades 6-12. The dates will be June 16, 23, July 7, 14, 21 and a celebration on Sunday, July 26. Registration is first come first serve. If there is a large interest we will be hosting a second class on June 17, 24, July 8, 15, and 22.

If you would like to volunteer to help with the VBS there will be a volunteer sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the back of the sanctuary and there will be a Volunteer Luncheon on March 22 after service to discuss everything to do with the VBS. **Please sign up by March 15 so that we can have a headcount for food.**

### Easter Cantata

Choir Practice has started back up for the Easter Cantata! **Please see Kerri Beth if you would like to participate.** We will need 4 readers!

### Visiting Shut-Ins & Nursing Homes

Young Adults Class will be visiting nursing homes and shut ins the first Sunday of the month. **If you would like to go with us, you are more than welcome.**

### PRAYER REQUESTS

#### Our Church Family

Mike Brown	Frank Ervin
Ed Hinkel	Liz Johnson
Dave McGowan	

#### Our Family & Friends

Vicki Freeman  
 Pam Geiger (Laurie Hunt's friend)  
 Buddy Scott (Carol Petty's brother-in-law)  
 Sue Starr (Lora Hill's mother)

#### Assisted & Skilled Living Residents

*Carillon, Asheboro*  
 Ramona Shephard  
*Clapp's, Asheboro*  
 Daffie Branson  
*Cross Roads, Asheboro*  
 Rene Overton, Joe Thomas  
*Spring Arbor Senior Living, Cary*  
 Clarence Davis  
*North Pointe, Archdale*  
 Lib Howell  
*Somerset, Mocksville*  
 Bernice Duggins  
*Woodland Hills, Asheboro*  
 Juanita Porche, Kim Shaw

#### Christian Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of:

Henrietta Cranford (April Brown's friend)  
 Ruby Howard (JF Howard's aunt)

#### Our Military

BJ Andrews	Kasey Ingold
Logan Morris	

#### Others

<b>Our Church</b>	<b>Our Country</b>
Revival	Unchurched

**General Conference May 5 thru May 15**

**Prayer requests will be left for 2 weeks unless notified otherwise. Thanks.**

#### Special Thanks To Our Worship Associates

*Lay Leader: Laurie Hunt  
 Worship Assistant: Cyndi Reinhardt  
 Musician: April Brown  
 Communion Stewards:  
 Bill Burrow, Harry Cooper, Bob Paisley  
 Greeters/Ushers:  
 Holly Delk, Laurie Hunt, Kathy McGowan  
 Opening, Closing & Trash Detail:  
 Dave McGowan  
 Media Team: Justin Luck & Lora Hill  
 CUOC Deliveries: Volunteer*

If you need assistance hearing during our worship service, please see the sound tech in the back of the church before worship.

We have ear buds you can use during worship!

### Welcome Guests!

We would like to extend a warm West Bend welcome to our visitors today. We hope you will plan to worship with us again and consider joining our church family.

**The Nursery and restrooms are located through the double doors up the steps behind the sanctuary and the handicap restroom is through the double doors in the chapel.**

**Please feel free to join in any of our ministries. If you have any questions about the church, the pastor's e-mail address and phone number are located in the staff section.**

**We are a community in which questions are welcome, the dress code is whatever you have on, and the grace of God revealed in Jesus matters above all else.**

#### Ministry Staff

<b>Ministers</b>	<b>Every Member</b>
<b>Pastor</b>	<b>Rev. Kari L. Howard</b>
<b>Office Manager</b>	<b>Mrs. Debra Y. Rogers</b>
<b>Lay Leader</b>	<b>Mrs. Laurie Hunt</b>
<b>Janitor</b>	<b>Mr. Tim Burrow</b>

#### Ways to Reach Church Staff

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