

11:00 AM WORSHIP

First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2018

Entrance

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

RINGING THE CHURCH BELL

GREETING †

ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

\*PRAISE RESPONSE “Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace.

PRELUDE “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” Arr. by Bill Wolaver  
Bryan Heller, Pianist

\*CALL TO WORSHIP †

Leader: As a shepherd seeks a lost sheep,  
People: so God seeks and saves the lost.  
Leader: Like a woman who searches for a lost coin until it is found,  
People: so God rejoices over one soul restored to wholeness.  
Leader: As a father receives a returning wayward son,  
People: so God welcomes us, and lets the past be the past.  
Leader: Therefore let us praise God in thanksgiving that we are received.  
People: Let us receive and welcome and rejoice over one another in the name of Jesus Christ. *(Ruth Duck, USA, 20th Cent., Alt.)*

LENTEN CANDLE LITURGY AND PRAYER

Dr. Robert Sampl

\*HYMN OF PRAISE “Take Time to Be Holy” UMH 395

CHILDREN’S WELCOME SONG *(11:00)*  
*(Children are invited to the front of the church for the Children’s Moment as we sing:)*

“Where Children Belong”

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God’s Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

THE CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Betty Morris

Proclamation and Response

\*THE FIRST GOSPEL READING † Luke 10:38-42

\*CANTICLE OF CHRIST’S OBEDIENCE † UMH 167

Leader: Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus. Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,  
People: but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in our likeness.  
Leader: And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death upon a cross.  
People: Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name,  
Leader: that at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
People: and every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

\*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

ANTHEM “Just a Little Talk With Jesus” Arr. by Stan Pethel  
Chancel Choir

PRAYERS ANSWERED, PRAYERS REQUESTED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen. *Choral Response (11:00)*

PRAISING GOD THROUGH OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS †

OFFERTORY “Just a Closer Walk with Thee” Arr. by Lloyd Larson

\*DOXOLOGY UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SERMON “Down-Time with God” The Rev. Dr. Richelle Sampl  
\*Matthew 6:5-8

\*CLOSING PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the way of peace. Come into the brokenness of our lives and our land with your healing love. Help us to be willing to bow before you in true repentance, and to bow to one another in real forgiveness. By the fire of your Holy Spirit, melt our hard hearts and consume the pride and prejudice which separate us. Fill us, O Lord, with your perfect love, which casts out our fear, and bind us together in that unity which you share with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Amen. *(Cecil Kerr, Northern Ireland, 20th Cent.)*

Sending Forth

\*CLOSING HYMN verses 1 & 3, UMH 419

“I Am Thine, O Lord”

\*BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION “Christ Beside Me”  
Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me—King of my heart; Christ within me, Christ below me, Christ above me—never to part.

\*POSTLUDE “I Am Thine, O Lord” Arr. by Lavawan Riley

“And Now Our Service Begins”

\*Please stand as you are able †Led by Lay Reader

Luke 10:38-42 † (NRSV)

<sup>38</sup> Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. <sup>39</sup> She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet and listened to what he was saying. <sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, “Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.” <sup>41</sup> But the Lord answered her, “Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; <sup>42</sup> there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.”

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.  
All: Thanks be to God!

Matthew 6:5-8 (NRSV)

*Concerning Prayer*  
<sup>5</sup> “And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. <sup>6</sup> But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. <sup>7</sup> “When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do; for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. <sup>8</sup> Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

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## Opportunities for Spiritual Growth

### Membership

If you would like to become a member, contact Pastor Richelle at the church office at (828) 743-5298 or at csampl@wnccumc.net.

- Affiliate Member - A member who chooses to retain his/her membership in one UMC while, at the same time, is a member of another UMC
- Associate Member - A member of another denomination while, at the same time, is a member of the UMC
- Full Professing Member - A professing member of the UMC
- Baptized Member - A member baptized but not yet confirmed, usually due to his/her young age. The confirmation process begins as early as 10 years old.
- Professing Member - Baptized and confirmed member of the UMC
- Constituent - Attends the UMC frequently but has not yet joined as a member

**Truth Seekers Sunday School Class** - This adult class for couples and singles, led by David Wansley, meets at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday in the first room on the right as one goes down the hall in the education wing. The theme for Bible lessons through March is "Faith in Action" with scriptures from the Old and New Testaments. Our faithful activity showers others with love that flows from our faith. "... faith is dead when it doesn't result in faithful activity." *James 2:17* CEB

**Godly Play**, children's interactive worship and Bible stories is our Children's Church curriculum. Through storytelling, silence, parables, and liturgical actions, the children enter into Bible stories on a personal level. Children's Church is offered during the 11:00 a.m. Sunday morning worship service following the Children's moment.

**On Sundays, childcare is available from 9:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.** for infants through three-year old children.

**Hearing Aid Loop** - Our audio-visual system includes a hearing aid inductive loop system in the Sanctuary. A hearing aid loop makes it possible for hearing impaired persons to hear audio through their hearing aids without any additional apparatus. The only requirement for listeners is that they wear a hearing aid equipped with a telecoil *and* that the telecoil be turned on after being appropriately set. A telecoil is included on most new hearing aids to enable inductive pickup of the telephone receiver.

**Earphones** are also available for anyone who would like to use them. Please see an usher for assistance.

### Our Stewardship

As United Methodists, we vow to be faithful to God and Christ's church with our time, talent, gifts, service, and witness.

**Worship Attendance Last Sunday:** 11:00 a.m. - 63

#### Discipleship Groups (2/4 - 2/9)

Monday/Wednesday Bible Study: 4/13 UMM: 17  
 Men's Emmaus: 6 Women's Emmaus: 6  
 Choir: 18 Kreative Kidz Zone: Kids/21 Adults/7  
 MMO: 16 Youth: 7 Adult Sunday School: N/A

#### Financial Update

	February Collections thru 2/11	Actual as of 1/31	Budget as of 1/31
Total Income	\$11,573.00	\$39,663.00*	\$48,458.00
Total Expenses		\$40,973.00	\$48,458.00
Net		(1,309.00)	

## Worship Leadership

	February 18	February 25
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Barry Caponi	Judi Moore
<b>Ushers</b>	Bob Reed Melissa Reed	Margaret McRae Will McRae
<b>Audio/Visual</b>	Larry Morris	Barry Caponi
<b>Acolyte</b>	Chance Wilson	Sarah Roberts
<b>Children's Church</b>	Diana Parker Malinda Holley	Diana Parker Bobbie Norris
<b>Coffee in the Commons</b>	Levonna Larson	Donna Lehn

# Cashiers United Methodist Church



*By the Grace of God and the leading of the Holy Spirit, we are working together to know, love, serve, and share Christ with our community and the world.*

**February 18, 2018**

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A Stephen Ministry Congregation

#### MINISTRY TEAM

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