

SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP
11th Sunday after Epiphany
March 26, 2023
9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

*Time for quiet prayer and meditation . . .
"Be still and know that I am God."*

We Come Before God in Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

First Grade Worship Graduation

Minute for Thornwell
9:00 a.m. Ashley Durham 11:00 a.m. Joanna Griese

Prelude "Fairest Lord Jesus" arr. Ray

* Call to Worship

L: Praise the LORD!
Praise the LORD, O my soul!
**P: I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have
my being.**
(Psalm 146:1-2)

* Hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" No. 366

* Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Eternal God,
in whom we live and move and have our being,
whose face is hidden from us by our sins,
and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of
our hearts:
Cleanse us from all our offenses,
and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain
desires,
that with reverent and humble hearts
we may draw near to you,
confessing our faults,
confiding in your grace,
and finding in you our refuge and strength;
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

* Assurance of Pardon

* Gloria Patri No. 581

**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.**

Prayer for Children
(Ages K3-1st Grade may leave for Children's Church)

**Little ones to Him belong:
Lord Jesus, bless our children. Amen.**

God Gives to Us Through His Word

Scripture Lesson Psalm 146

L: Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord, O my soul!
**P: I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my
being.**
L: Put not your trust in princes,
in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.
**P: When his breath departs, he returns to the earth;
on that very day his plans perish.**
L: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the Lord his God,
**P: Who made heaven and earth,
the sea, and all that is in them,**
L: Who keeps faith forever;
who executes justice for the oppressed,
who gives food to the hungry.
**P: The Lord sets the prisoners free;
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.
The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;
the Lord loves the righteous.**
L: The Lord watches over the sojourners;
he upholds the widow and the fatherless,
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.
**P: The Lord will reign forever,
your God, O Zion, to all generations.
Praise the Lord!**

Anthem (11:00 am) "Arise My Soul, Arise" arr. Forrest
Adult Choir

Scripture Lesson Luke 16:19-31

Sermon The Gospel of Luke Dr. Seel
LVI. The Parable of Lazarus and the Rich Man

* Hymn "Open My Eyes, That I May See" No. 451

We Respond to God's Word

* Apostles' Creed (Unison)

**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 Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He
descended into hell; the third day He rose again
from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth
on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic
church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of
sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life
everlasting. Amen.**

Call to Prayer (11:00 am) "Kyrie" arr. Bell
Adult Choir

Prayers of the People and 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 kingdom, and the power, and
the glory, forever. Amen.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" arr. Berry

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication No. 606

**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.**

* Hymn "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" No. 216

* Charge and Benediction

* Benediction Response "Make Us Holy, Make Us Whole"

*In your love, make us whole. May we rest in your compassion.
Calm the lost, weary soul in the warmth of your love.
May your peace fill our hearts. May we know the love of Jesus.
By your grace, you console. Make us holy, make us whole.*

* Postlude "Hosanna to the King" arr. Clarke

* Congregation Stands

**Please write your
request, tear off this
form, fold, and place in
the offering plate.**

PRAYER REQUESTS

The Tuesday Morning Prayer
Group meets each week at
10:00 a.m. to pray for the
EPC family and any other
special needs.

Name and date: (optional)

(These are kept confidential!)

**WELCOME TO
VISITORS**

If you are visiting today,
we would like you to know
that it is a privilege to have
you with us. It is our hope
that you will find a warm
welcome and an atmosphere
to worship God.

We would love a record of
your visit. Please fill out the
following and place in the
offering plate when passed.

Name

Address

Phone Number

Email Address

1st Time Visit

Fill out the form below, tear off and put in offering plate.

Wonderful Wednesday Meal Reservation
MARCH 29, 5:30 pm

Menu:
BBQ Siders, Baked Beans, Saw, Chips, & Dessert

Prepared by: Pepper's Catering

Family Name

\$5 for ages 5 years & up
\$25 Family Cap

Ages 5 & up: # of meals _____
Vegetarian: # of meals _____

Deadline is Noon, Monday each week.

PALM SUNDAY Meal Reservation
APRIL 2

Ham, Green Beans, Macaroni & Cheese, Janice's Rolls, & Chocolate Cake

Prepared by: Deke Van Wagner

Family Name

of meals _____

\$5 per plate

Reservation deadline is Wednesday, March 29.

NURSERY STAFF

Victoria Rose Brock, Valerie Brock, & Lindsey McAlister

CHILDREN'S CHURCH VOLUNTEERS TODAY

<u>9:00 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
Samantha & Grant Hollis	Ginna Lister

SAFE PLACE MONITOR

Mitch Greene

MARCH USHERS

<u>9:00 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
David Owen, Head Mary Ann Merritt, Asst.	Eric Goodwin, Head Dustin Coats, Asst.

SOUND & LIGHT

Carolyn Brice

VIDEO

John Franks

Member News

We express Christian love and sympathy to Dennis Latham and his family in the death of his father, Jack Latham, who died on March 17, 2023.

We give thanks to God for the life of His servant, Nelda Moss, who died on March 21, 2023; and we express Christian love and sympathy to her daughter, Lori Wise, and son, John Moss.

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Gregg Branham
Karen Cooper
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Dennis Latham
Wilma Shealy
Scott Wilbanks | Class of 2025
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Barry Brock
Meg Jewell
Kelvin Kears
Dan Nunnery
Monty Oxendine |
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Diaconate

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| Class of 2023
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Dustin Coats
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Chad Lister
Greg Lucas
Melissa Wilbanks | Class of 2024
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John Dockery
Eric Goodwin
Mary Ann Merritt
David Owen
Stephen Roach | Class of 2025
Michael Baker
Lori Brock
Eric Dillon
Candice Ledbetter
Annie Rossley
Brad Wilson |
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Trustees

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| Dexter Rogers | David Whittemore | Jack Brock |
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