

MARCH 19, 2023

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND SHARING OF NEWS

CALL TO WORSHIP

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

+ HYMN OF PRAISE: (Green) No. 318
"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

APOSTLES CREED:

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.

+ GLORIA PATRI

QUIET MEDITATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Psalm 95

PASTORAL PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *"Father Forgive Us"*

+ DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+ HYMN OF PREPARATION: (Green) No. 240
"Fairest Lord Jesus"

GOSPEL READING: Mark 4:1-20

SERMON "Soil, Seeds and a Life for Christ" Lee Thomas

+ HYMN OF RESPONSE: (Green) No. 400
"Have Thine Own Way, Lord!"

+ BENEDICTION

+ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: *"Alleluia"*

+ POSTLUDE

+ CONGREGATION IS INVITED TO STAND

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUNDAY:

10:00 A.M. Morning worship service

11:00 A.M. Sunday School

Attendance last week: 55

12 Noon Session meeting

TUESDAY:

11:00 A.M. Bible Study

THURSDAY:

6:00 P.M. Choir Practice

Our *prayer family* this week is Julie and D. Reid, Sela and Adra.

The Olivet Session has approved and ordered a *defibrillator* to be installed in our vestibule. We have purchased from a local company who has offered to train 5 church members for FREE. They recommend the volunteer be capable of "running a marathon" for 30 minutes in order to be qualified to operate the equipment. Please see D. Reid to add your name to the list of volunteers.

For *SACRA* during the month of March we are collecting non-perishable canned goods such as canned meats, vegetable, fruits, etc. They are in dire need of our help due to inflation. Please leave donations in the social hall or the downstairs middle entrance by the last Sunday of the month.

Grace Christian School is collecting *gently used Bibles* to go to several countries in West Africa. Bibles can be any accepted versions, in good condition and contain both the Old and New Testament. A goal is to collect 1,500 Bibles during March and April. Please give Bibles to Savannah Jones or Sela Reid.

Flower donations for Sunday morning services are needed. Please sign the flower schedule in the vestibule for a Sunday that is right for you. Flowers should be delivered to the church by 11:00 a.m. on Friday and give Pat Balsley your dedication for the bulletin by the Wednesday before.

