



February 11, 2018
Last Sunday after Epiphany
Transfiguration of the Lord

SERMON SERIES: **WOMEN OF FAITH**

✠ *We invite you to stand as you are able*

Chiming of the Hour (11:00a)

Welcome

Praise Set (8:30a)

Carry Me

Jesus, Friend of Sinners

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

ALIVE Praise Band

Josh Wilson

Casting Crowns

Newton (arr. by Chris Tomlin)

Opening Voluntary (11:00a)

Pastorale

Sammartini

✠ **Hymn of Praise No. 166** (11:00a)

All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine

Williams

Concerns of the Congregation

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Anthem (11:00a)

Carry Me

Wilson

ALIVE Praise Band

I try to catch my breath. It hasn't happened yet.

I'm wide awake in the middle of the night scared to death.

So I prayed God, would You make this stop.

Father please hold on to me, You're all I've got.

Chorus: Carry me, carry me, carry me now.

From my sinking sand to Your solid ground.

The only way I'm ever gonna make it out

Is if You carry me, carry me, carry me now.

God carry me, carry me, carry me now.

Jesus calm my heart. Come near me please.

Lord don't let these worries get the best of me.

Oh I believe, that You're still here with me.

'Cause You meant what You said when You said You'd never leave.

Chorus

Carry me. God carry me.

Carry me. God carry me.

I'm at the end of myself. I know I've got nothing left.

Feels like I'm stuck in the valley of the shadow of death.

And I've been down here so long, I just can't find my way out.

Oh God I don't stand a chance unless You carry me now.

God carry me now.

Chorus

Carry me now. Carry me now.

Carry me now. Carry me now.

We Worship with our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

One Thing Remains (8:30a)
Miracle Through Me (11:00a)

ALIVE Praise Band
Christian Stanfill
Brian Walker

Doxology

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.

We Worship with the Children

(Kid Kits in the bright green bags, provided for K-5th graders, are located at the back of the sanctuary. Following *We Worship with the Children*, K-3rd graders are invited to attend Children's Worship on the ground floor Children's Ministry area...*just follow the Worship Leader.*)

Scripture

Acts 18, Romans 16:3-5a, 2 Timothy 4:19

NT Page 138-139, 164, 213

Sermon

Priscilla—Businesswoman and Leader

Rev. Jamie Armstrong

The world of the Apostle Paul was very different from the world we live in today. Women in the Greco-Roman world were at the bottom of the food chain? At the top you would find the patricians, the wealthy, free Roman men. Next came those men of moderate means, who often had earned their own freedom, then slaves, then women. Paul, who often is accused of not being a friend to women, was a man of his times. There were certain orders of the day he did not challenge, maybe because he believed the message of the cross would be compromised if he started attacking the social order of the day.

But Paul also understood that when people came to church and came to faith in Jesus, many of the old barriers began to fall. No longer were Jesus' followers separated by title of slave or free, or Jew or Gentile, or even male or female. Something was happening inside the community of faith that in its own way challenged the order of the day.

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✠ **Anthem** (8:30a)

Miracle Through Me

ALIVE Praise Band
Brian Walker

✠ **Hymn of Response No. 130 vs. 1**(11:00a)

God Will Take Care of You

Martin

✠ **Benediction and Blessing**

✠ **Chiming of the Trinity** (11:00a)

✠ **Traveling Music**

Love Revolution (8:30a)
Jesus, Friend of Sinners (11:00a)

ALIVE Praise Band
Brian Walker
Casting Crowns

Announcements

Remember to visit our website www.fumclex.org to stay connected with our church calendar, ministries, activities and events.

SCOUTING FOR FOOD with Pack, Troop and Crew 200

Sunday, **February 11** Please drop off non-perishable food items (*canned tuna/ salmon, Ramen Noodles, canned vegetables*) in the collection area just outside of the workroom. You may make a cash contribution, as well. All donations will be delivered to Pastor's Pantry. *Thank you for your support of Pack, Troop, and Crew 200*

Boy Scout Sunday February 18 The Scouting Anniversary Day is February 8. Our Boy Scouts will present the UMM program at 8:30a on Sunday, February 18 in the fellowship hall. We welcome our Boy Scouts and their adult leaders as they participate during the 11:00a worship service and are recognized for their accomplishments and contributions to Scouting in 2017.

Member Care Birthday Card Ministry

Let us joyfully unite to remember the birthdays of our shut-ins and nursing home residents. Card collection baskets are located near the 4th Avenue entrance and the main hallway near the workroom. Pastor Doug will personally deliver the cards to these dear folks.

February 12—Opal Bloome

February 16—Betty Darr



Wednesdays, February 14, 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21
12:00p Lenten Worship Service

First Evangelical Lutheran Church - **Note the Location**

You are invited to bring a bag lunch • Drinks & Dessert provided

Ash Wednesday, February 14

5:45p Pancake Supper sponsored by the Worship Committee

First UMC Fellowship Hall • Donations are greatly appreciated

7:00p Ash Wednesday Evening Worship Service, First UMC Sanctuary

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY - SEASON OF LENT

† **LENTEN FAIR *The Great Surprise—Jesus Is Alive Sunday*, February 18 (9:45a)** 2nd Floor Classrooms

† **Sunday School *CREED*** series & activities for children

† **Children's Worship *40 Days and 40 Nights*** series & activities

† **Weekly Children's Ministry** (Wednesday evenings) ***Growing Into Lent***

† **EASTER CELEBRATION & EGG HUNT Palm Sunday, March 25 (1:00p)** Following the "Walk to the Square" - Pizza lunch provided



Church Bowling Night Friday, February 23 (5:30p-7:30p) YMCA Fundraiser event sponsored by the United Methodist Men, proceeds from the event benefit the missions and charitable support given by United Methodist Men.

Cost is \$10.00 per family unit, which covers the use of the bowling lanes, ball and shoe rental for everyone in the family. The entire church congregation is invited to the event.

Uwharrie District Laity Conference Sunday, February 25 (2p-6p)

Administrative Council and Committee Members are encouraged to attend this event. **Check out the yellow insert for more details.**

Church-Wide Lenten Small Group Study and Sermon Series

Join us for this church-wide journey ***Creed: What Christians Believe and Why*** by Adam Hamilton as the basis for a Lenten study and sermon series exploring the Apostle's Creed as a framework to talk about what we believe and why.

You are encouraged to **purchase and read the book** in preparation for the study and sermon series. Books are available from the church office for **\$12 each** and at amazon.com for your Kindle device.

Book Scholarships: If you need help with the cost of your book, please contact the church office (336) 248-2886. A number of books have been donated to help those who may find it difficult to purchase a copy.

You are invited to join a small group for study discussion & fellowship:

- ◆ **Sunday Mornings February 18 - March 25** (9:45a-10:45a)
Agape, Koinonia, Faith & Friends Adult Sunday School Classes, 2nd Floor
- ◆ **Sunday Evenings February 18 - March 25** (6:00p)
Home of Wayne & Sandra Michael led by Pastor Jamie
- ◆ **Tuesdays February 20 - March 27** (7:00p)
Theology Pub at High Rock Outfitters led by Pastor Jamie
- ◆ **Wednesdays February 21 - March 28** (10:30a) Morning Group led by Pastor Doug in the Agape Classroom, 2nd Floor
- ◆ **Thursdays February 22 - March 29** (2:00p)
Location & Small Group Leader to be announced

Sermon Series February 25 - April 1 (8:30a & 11:00a) Pastor Jamie will preach a sermon series for the season of Lent and Easter that parallels the lessons being learned through reading the book and small group discussion.

First UMC Scholarships 2018-2019

The 2018-2019 scholarship packets have been mailed out and are available on our website in the Members section and church office. Please refer to the **Scholarship Guidelines** for a complete understanding of who is eligible to apply for and receive the Scholarship.

Applications are due back to the church, to the attention of the **Scholarship Committee** at the church address, by **March 21, 2018**. The Scholarship Committee requests that the student **complete the application in its entirety**. If you need assistance in completing the application or have questions, contact the church office 336-248-2886. In addition, **please note that applications received after the deadline will not be considered for Scholarship.**



February Blood Drive!

Tuesday, February 20 (2:00p-6:30p) Fellowship Hall

BE A SWEETHEART AND GIVE!

CALL OR EMAIL THE CHURCH OFFICE TO REGISTER.

YOU MAY REGISTER THROUGH A LINK ON OUR WEBSITE.

Our Stewardship for God's Work This stewardship report is given so you may follow our financial progress throughout the year. Each Sunday, please review and thoughtfully pray over this report. Everyone is a part of God's stewardship.

Report for Sunday, February 4, 2018:

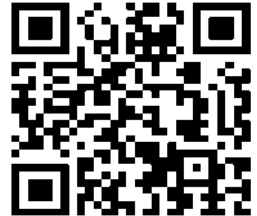
Early Worship: 19 Morning Worship: 124 Total: 145

Weekly Offerings: \$3,091.00

Weekly Needed: \$10,632.90

Total Received to Date: \$27,664.33

Needed to Date: \$53,164.50



Online Giving For mobile device users, the QR (Quick Response) code will take you to a secure mobile site for Online Giving from your smartphone or tablet. **On your first visit**, you will need to create a profile.

Ash Wednesday, February 14 (5:45p) **Pancake Supper**

sponsored by the Worship Committee

First UMC Fellowship Hall

Donations are greatly appreciated



7:00p Ash Wednesday Evening Worship Service

First UMC Sanctuary

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, February 11

- 8:30 a.m. Early Worship Service, Fellowship Hall
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service, Sanctuary
12:30 p.m. Adult Fellowship serving lunch, Grace Episcopal
12:30 p.m. Teens of Life Youth helping serve lunch, Grace Episcopal
5:00 p.m. **CREED** Teens of Life Youth Ministry, Youth/Scout House
5:30 p.m. Endowment, Parlor
7:00 p.m. Trustees, Parlor

Monday, February 12

- 6:00 p.m. Evangelism, Conference Room
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts and Venturers, Youth/Scout House
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts, 2nd Floor Classrooms

Tuesday, February 13

- 11:30 a.m. FUMC Book Club, Village Grill
7:00 p.m. Theology Pub, High Rock Outfitters

Wednesday, February 14

Ash Wednesday

- 7:45 a.m. Prayer Breakfast, Cagney's
12:00 p.m. Community Lenten Service, First Evangelical Lutheran Church
5:45 p.m. Ash Wednesday Pancake Supper, Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Evening Worship, Sanctuary

Thursday, February 15

- 7:45 a.m. Men's Devotion & Fellowship, Biscuit King on S. Main Street

Friday, February 16

Saturday, February 17

- TBA Teens of Life Youth Ministry, Wake Forest vs. NC State, Winston-Salem

Sunday, February 18

Boy Scout Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. United Methodist Men, Fellowship Hall
8:30 a.m. Early Worship Service, Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. Children's Lenten Fair, 2nd Floor Classrooms
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
9:45 a.m. **CREED** Small Groups (Agape, Koinonia, Faith & Friends)
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service, Sanctuary
5:30 p.m. Teens of Life Youth Ministry, Underground Church, YMCA
— 7:30 p.m.
6:00 p.m. **CREED** Small Group, Home of Sandra & Wayne Michael
7:00 p.m. Trustees, Parlor



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Flowers

The flowers in the narthex today are given to the glory of God in honor of William & Judy Deal's 42nd Wedding Anniversary on February 14 and in honor of Betty Darr upon the occasion of her birthday on February 16.

Birth Announcement

A single rose is placed on the altar today to the glory of God and in honor of the birth of Harper Elizabeth Leonard on February 2, 2018. Congratulations to parents Jeremy and Ashley Leonard. Grandparents are Robert and Tanya Leonard. Great Grandparents are Curtis and Barbara Leonard. A white New Testament is presented to the baby from United Methodist Women Group 12.

Today's Greeters:

Judy and William Deal
Mary Kathryn Cooper
Rebecca MacNeilage

Chief Ushers: Richard Foust, Jimmy Everhart

Captain: Max Lanning **Co-Captain:** Olen Easter, Jr.

Larry Beck, Bob Burchette, Jim Highsmith, Jim Myers, Jimmy Shoaf, Efir Wilson and Dean Yemm. **Security:** West Lamoureaux

PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE TO ADD OR REMOVE A NAME FROM THE PRAYER LIST.

Prayer Requests

Debra Craver
Rev. Jamie Armstrong
Doug Clayton
June Craver
John & Judy Hensch
Earl Hester
Miheepa Jones
John Scarff
Donna Smith
Paul Smith
Susan Terry

Shut-Ins

Dot Kinsey
Caroline McCree
Evelyn Sink

Piedmont Crossing

Health Care
Margaret McCrary Carver
Barbara Proctor
Margaret Ragan

Residents

Jo Doris Beck
Herman & Naoma Crabtree
Richard & Camille Lawrence
Madeline Palmer
Jim Ragan
Nancy Wilkinson

Alston-Brook

Isabelle Trimpey

Bethany Woods (Albemarle)

Alvin Pope

Brookdale

Opal Bloome
Betty Darr

Brookstone

Albert Gobble

Genesis House (Salisbury)

Julee Smith

Lexington Health Care

Hilda Brower
Dare Wilson

Rolling Green Village

(Greenville, SC)

Peggy Trollinger

Spring Arbor (Albemarle)

Bonnie Cates

Wood Haven (Albemarle)

Louise Pope

Extended Family & Friends

Rev. Kelley Groce
Arlena Edwards
Sandy Balsar
Ruth Carlton
Mike Daniel
Patricia Addair
Craig Thompson
Lynn Mack & family
Jennifer Bagby
Rev. Elizabeth Graves
Helen Hall
Katrina Hunt
Bailey Christensen
Rev. Russell Brownworth
Maretha Melton
Gary Leonard
Lillian Shearin
Tami Robinson
Kelli Jones
Tom Sigmon
Chris Hunt
Spencer Davis
Faye Graham
Gracie Joy Hedrick
Kendall Conner
David Ogle
Tempie Almstead
Kelly Michael
Kristin Harris

Claire Dowling
Ann Schaefer
David Stafford
Cliff Lopp, Jr.
Cameron & Pete Dunlap
Linda & Tom Dunlap
Carol & Steve Harris
Peggy Sisk
Anna Smathers
Pat Wilson
Jack Smith
Gene Oldham
Nakajah Vaughan
Brenda Hipp
Jane King
Breanna Wilson
Ethan Reavis
Jason & Stacy Heitman
Jenny Rains
Jimmy Davis
Bentley Leonard
John Bruce Davis
Eric Leonard
Robert, Doris, & Keith Hunt
Martha Daniel
Debra Ann Leonard
Betty Jean Whitaker
Len & Dottie Harris
Jack & Susan Phillips
Jordan Beswick
Susan Fritts
Regina Chrest
Bruce Thornton

Serving in the Armed Forces

SGT John Hall
Capt. Jarrad Thorley
SMS Jason Brownworth
SGT Alan Ingram