

March 30, 2025
Fourth Sunday in Lent

8:45am

Jubilee! Worship Service

Psalm Reading

Psalm 32

Scripture

Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-32

Lanny Lancaster

Sermon

"This is the Way: Three Kinds of Lost and One Kind of Found"

We are happy you have joined us for our Jubilee! Worship Service today!

Please sign the Connection Pad so that we may have

a record of your presence.

TODAY'S JUBILEE WORSHIP LEADERS:

Clay Howard, Jubilee Music Director Victoria Smathers, Director of Children's Ministries Rev. Lanny Lancaster, Senior Pastor

Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. **Our Vision:** Fostering vital communities through love and life-changing experiences.

Let's Worship Together!

Sundays

8:30am less-formal Traditional service in the Sanctuary 8:45am Jubilee Contemporary service in the Chapel 10:55am Traditional Worship service in the Sanctuary

Wednesdays (September-May) 5:00pm Oasis Mid-week Service in the Sanctuary

Announcements

THE WHITE ROSEBUD on the altar in the Sanctuary is given to the Glory of God and in memory of Dan Lineberry.

DURING THE SEASON OF LENT, the church is more subdued than other times during the year. This is an expression of our penitence and re-focusing our lives on serving God. The decoration in the church is scaled back and some elements are removed, leading up to Maundy Thursday, when we strip the church of all decoration. During Lent, we remove all the brass that we can from our sanctuary and replace it with wooden candlesticks, wicker baskets for offering, and wooden crosses. For those items that cannot be removed, we cover them in a purple cloth. This scaling back and removal of decoration during Lent and the replacing of it on Easter helps us truly celebrate in a visual way the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

THE WEDNESDAY CONNECT DINNER on <u>April 2</u> is Oven Fried Chicken (gluten-free entrée is available upon request). Dinner is served at **5:30pm**. Dining together is a great fellowship opportunity, but if you need to get your meal "to-go", then we can do that, too! We have disposable takeout containers but we encourage you to bring your own re-usable containers for "to-go" meals. Reservations can be made by: signing a reservation card and placing it in the offering plate; calling the church office at 336-993-3411; emailing Kathryn (kathryn.jenkins@mainstreetumc.org); visiting our website or clicking the link in the Thursday Connections email each week. Reservations for dining in-person or "to-go" must be made by <u>Monday at noon.</u> The suggested donation is \$6/adult, \$3/child (10 & under). We accept cash, check, or cards. Rise and Christian Fellowship SS classes serving.

OASIS WORSHIP SERVICE: Come to the Sanctuary at 5:00pm on Wednesdays for an intimate 30-minute service with Holy Communion and prayer led by one of our pastors, with music by Chuck Foster, and a short devotion by a member of our congregation. Our Oasis service is meant to be a time of refreshment and encouragement in the middle of a busy week. *Oasis will meet only on weeks that we have the Wednesday Night Connect Dinner.*

SPRING CEMETERY CLEAN-UP: In preparation for the Easter Sunrise Service, there will be a cemetery spring clean on Saturday, **April 5** starting at 9:00 a.m. (Rain date will be the next Saturday, the 12th.) Please join us with taking out all the old flower arrangements and cleaning the markers that need cleaning. The land-scaping company will handle all the mowing and trimming, we just need to spruce up the other things. Families wishing to reuse Christmas and other decorations currently there should remove them prior to that Saturday. Also please do not place Easter or spring arrangements out until after the clean-up.

CANTATA SUNDAY is <u>April 6</u>, One Service, at 10:30 am in the Sanctuary. The combined choirs and orchestra directed by Nancy Blakemore with Jill Gardner, pianist and organist, present "The Passion Song" which includes the celebration of Holy Communion. From the triumphal entry to Easter morning, this cantata focuses primarily on the events of Holy Week. It features the feast of communion, recognizes Jesus as the Lamb of God, the Passover Lamb. And ultimately it affirms the risen Christ: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain (Rev 5:12)! Make plans now to attend at 10:30 am on Sunday, April 6, and invite your family, friends, and neighbors!

EASTER JAM—Come join us in the Chapel for an unforgettable Easter experience for the whole family! With games, music, laughter, and fun, this is one event you don't want to miss! We can't wait to see you as we dive into the Easter story together! See you there! Sunday, **April 6** at 3:00 pm in the Chapel!

COLLECTION BOXES are in the Main Entrance to the Commons for: <u>BOOKSAPALOOZA</u>—donate new or used books; <u>HOPE CENTER</u>—donate empty egg cartons, clothing, groceries; and <u>CRISIS CONTROL</u>—donate non-perishable food, each month has an item to focus on, March's items are pancake mix & syrup.

PUBLICATION DEADLINES: Main Street Connections Email requests are due to the church office by 4:00pm on Tuesdays; Bulletin Announcements are due to the church office by noon on Tuesdays; and Newsletter Articles are due by noon on the FIRST Friday of every month.

Lyrics

My Redeemer Lives

I know He rescued my soul His blood has covered my sin I believe, I believe

n believe, i believe

My shame, He's taken away My pain is healed in His name I believe, I believe

I'll raise a banner

'Cause my Lord has conquered the grave

My redeemer lives, My redeemer lives My redeemer lives, My redeemer lives

I know He rescued my soul

His blood has covered my sin I believe. I believe

My shame He's taken away My pain is healed in His name I believe, I believe I'll raise a banner

'Cause my Lord has conquered the grave

My redeemer lives, My redeemer lives My redeemer lives, My redeemer lives (repeat)

You lift my burdens, I'll rise with You I'm dancing on this mountain top To see Your kingdom come...

Shout to the North

Chorus
Shout to the north and the south
Sing to the east and the west
Jesus is Savior to all
Lord of heaven and earth

Men of faith, rise up and sing Of the great and glorious King You are strong when you feel weak In your brokenness complete

Chorus

Rise up, women of the truth Stand and sing to broken hearts Who can know the healing pow'r Of our awesome King of love

Chorus

Rise up, church with broken wings Fill this place with songs again Of our God who reigns on high By His grace again we'll fly

Build My Life

Worthy of every song we could ever sing Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe We live for you, Oh, we live for you

Jesus, the Name above every other name Jesus, the only One who could ever save (worthy...) Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe We live for you

Holy, there is no one like You, there is none beside You Open up my eyes in wonder Show me who You are and fill me with Your heart and lead me in your love to those around me Jesus, the Name above every other name Jesus, the only One who could ever save Worthy of every breathe we could ever breathe We live for You, Oh! We live for You

Holy, there is no one like You, there is none beside You Open up my eyes in wonder Show me who You are and fill me with Your heart and lead me in your love to those around me

I will build my life upon Your love, it is a firm foundation I will put my trust in You alone and I will not be shaken