

## *Fourth Sunday in Lent*

March 14, 2010

11:00 a.m.

### THE CHURCH GATHERS BEFORE GOD

The Opening Voluntary: "Our Savior's Love"

Gates

The Call to Worship

This is the day that the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!** (Psalm 118:24)

This is none other than the house of God,

**And this is the gate of heaven.** (Genesis 28:17)

\*The Doxology

*Old 100<sup>th</sup>*

*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.*

\*The Invocation

### TO PRAISE

\*The Hymn 209: "Great Redeemer, We Adore Thee"

*Redentore*

\*The Unison Reading

Our Church Covenant

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit;

We do now in the presence of God and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into Covenant with one another as one body in Christ.

We engage therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love, to strive for the advancement of this church in knowledge and spirituality;

To promote its prosperity, to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrine; to contribute as God may prosper us to the expenses of the Church, to the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gospel.

We also engage to watch and pray regularly, and persistently to search the Scriptures;

To bring up our children in the Knowledge of the Lord; to seek the salvation of all people, especially of our kindred and acquaintances;

To walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements and exemplary in our deportment;

To attend, as far as we are able to, meetings of the Church and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the Kingdom of our Savior.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love, to remember each other in prayer;

To comfort each other in sickness and distress, to cultivate Christian sympathy and courtesy, to be slow to take offense;

Ready to reconciliation and mindful of our Savior's command to secure it without delay.

We further engage to transfer without delay our attendance and membership to some other church of like faith and order in case we remove from this city.

\*The Gloria Patri

*Meineke*

*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. Amen.*

The Time of Greeting

### TO REMEMBER AND PRAY

*The Memorial Service*

(see insert)

The Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

### TO PROCLAIM

The Anthem: "The Beatitudes"

Peterson

The Scripture Reading

2 Corinthians 5: 16-21(NT 181)

Response to the Lesson

This is the written Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

\*The Hymn 124: "Who Is He in Yonder Stall"

*Who Is He*

\*The Offertory Prayer

The Offertory Voluntary: "Grazioso"

Bach

The Sermon: "**Being Ambassadors for Christ**"

The Invitation to Christian Discipleship

\*The Hymn 590: "God, Our Author and Creator"

Sung to the tune *Hyfrydol*

*If you wish to make a profession of faith or a rededication of faith or to present yourself for church membership, please come forward and speak to the pastor during the singing of this hymn.*

### TO DEPART AND SERVE GOD

\*The Benediction

\*The Response: "Go With God"

*Forbis*

\*The Closing Voluntary: "Maestoso Postludium"

Gluck

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\* *We invite you to stand, if able.*

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God  
in memory of her parents and brother  
by Audrey Butler.*

## **We Welcome Our Visitors**

We're glad you are worshipping with us this Lord's Day. Please take a moment to record your visit for us by filling out a pew card, which you may place in the offering plate. We invite you to join us again for worship and other church activities. Lillian Riddick and Paula Mathias are our greeters.

## **Morning Coffee Hour**

The Morning Coffee Hour for ladies in the church and community takes place on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of each month. We begin at 10 AM with devotions and prayer. The next meeting will be this Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and we will be making throws/lap robes for yourself, shut ins in the community, or nursing home residents. We will also make quilts if there is anyone interested in doing them. In the spring we will be doing acrylic painting on canvas and wood.

Please come and share in the wonderful fellowship and learn to do many crafts. The majority of things needed are supplied at no cost to participants. Bring a friend or neighbor to be a part of our coffee hour!

## **Community Lenten Services**

This week's service will be at Noon on Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, at Main Street United Methodist Church with the Rev. Dr. Robert Hobbs, Pastor of Metropolitan Baptist Church, preaching. After the service, a soup and sandwich lunch will be available, prepared by Main Street Methodist and Metropolitan Baptist Churches. Schedules are available in the narthex and the church office.

We thank all who provided sandwiches and desserts for last Wednesday's Lenten Service. There was more than enough to feed the almost 150 people who attended. Your support of this community endeavor is greatly appreciated.

## **Holy Week & Easter Services**

Our tradition of Holy Week and Easter Sunrise services with Oxford United Methodist and Suffolk Presbyterian Churches will continue this year. Mark your calendars for:

- ✓ a 7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday service on April 1<sup>st</sup> at Suffolk Presbyterian Church with Rev. Irby preaching;
- ✓ a 7:30 p.m. Good Friday Service on April 2<sup>nd</sup> at West End, with Rev. Ed Johnson preaching; and
- ✓ a 7:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service on the grounds of the Suffolk Presbyterian Church on April 4<sup>th</sup>, with Rev. Rebecca Page Lesley preaching.



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**Worshiping God *Traditionally.***  
**Growing in Christ *Spiritually.***  
**Serving with the Spirit *Joyfully.***

*Almighty God: your Son Jesus has followed us into the far country of our disobedience. We praise you that even now he is guiding us back to your love abode where forgiveness awaits and the Passover of gladness resounds. Receive us who once were dead but now are your new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**T. FLOYD IRBY, JR.**  
Minister

**R. DEAN KERSHAW**  
Organist/Choirmaster

## OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK AT WEST END

### Monday, March 15

Aerobics 5:00 PM

### Wednesday, March 17

Morning Coffee Hour 10:00 AM

Nansemond Pointe SS Class 11:00 AM

Community Lenten Service 12:00 PM

at Main Street Methodist Church (202 North Main Street)

Aerobics 5:00 PM

### Thursday, March 18

Aerobics 5:00 PM

Small Group Bible Study 5:00 PM

Fellowship Night Dinner 6:15 PM

(BBQ, baked beans, cole slaw)

### **Whole-Personed Spirituality**

Mark 12:28-34; Matthew 22:34-40; Luke 10:25-29

Chancel Choir 7:45 PM

### ***Our Prayer Concerns:***

Church members are listed in **bold** type.

**Debbie Newell (death of mother, Emily Crostic), Bill Ashley (death of his son, Robert), Hazel Liverman, Louise Wiggins, Johnny Johnson, Dorothy Williams, Nelda Hayes, Rillie Bailey, Frank DeJarnette, Pete Wiggins, Caroline Pond, Jim Beasley, Willie Colby, Martha Britt, Joe Loschi (friend of Paul and Linda Bross), Sue Stewart and family (friend of Judy Smith), Deward Parker (Linda Beale's uncle), Deward Parker (Linda Beale's uncle), Lauren Davis (granddaughter of Elaine Davis, Small Group Bible Study member), Robbie Stevens (husband of Shellee Stevens), Peter Judkins, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Thomas Lenz (Frances Holland's grandson in Iraq), Kenneth Walker (friend of Eddie and Jackie White), Susan Carter Pulley (daughter of John & Barbara Carter), Jackie Carlson (Casey Carlson's mother), Linda Miller (Rillie Bailey's daughter), Bernice Atkins (Mary Ann Coggsdale's sister), James Holland (former custodian), Hyla Brinkley (Joe Brinkley's mother), Jean Shamanski (Carol Apple's mother), Charles Byrum, Brandon Hatfield (in Iraq – husband of Elizabeth Spratley Hatfield).**

[Please call the church office (539-8771) to add or remove names from this list.

Names will stay on the list for one month unless requested to stay longer.]

Please remember the families of these servicemen who died in our conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq, March 4-8: Pvt. Nicholas S. Cook, 19; Spec. Alan N. Dikcis, 21; Spec. Anthony A. Paci, 30; Lance Corp. Nigel K. Olsen, 21; Sgt. Aaron M. Arthur, 25; Spec. Lakeshia M. Bailey, 23.

## **TO OUR GUESTS...**

We're glad you're here, and we invite you to worship with us again. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you will consider West End. Questions such as these are often asked about church membership:

### **How may I join?**

After the sermon we sing a hymn while the minister is standing at the front of the sanctuary. Simply walk to the minister and let him know you want to join the church or make another decision. (You may wish to contact the minister during the week to discuss your desire to come forward for membership.)

### **Are there different ways to join?**

Yes. At West End we receive members in one of four ways: 1) Baptism by immersion, upon confession of faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior; 2) Transfer from another Baptist church; 3) Transfer from a Christian denomination where you were baptized and made a public profession of faith; 4) Statement of previous baptism and public profession of faith in Jesus Christ.

### **Can I join Sunday School without being a church member?**

Of course. Some people do. This is not church membership, but it's a good way to get to know some of our members and more about our church. We will be glad to help you find a class that suits you.

### **I still have some questions.**

We understand. The decision about your faith in Christ is the most important decision of your life. You may want to talk to the minister or a deacon before making a decision. Call us at 539-8771. We will assist you in any way we can.

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## **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

West End Baptist Church is an evolving moderate missionary Baptist church seeking to provide a service to God by informing and teaching the community about Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

To help accomplish our mission, West End is a member of the Blackwater Baptist Association (BBA) and the Baptist General Association of Virginia (BGAV).

Through special offerings, members of West End also support the global missions work of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship (CBF).

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