ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *Wednesday Night Suppers March 29th, Chili and Baked Potato Bar, 5 pm 6:30 pm.
- *Chair Yoga Thursdays at 10 am in the Family Center
- *TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY led by Mike Brick 2 pm at Cedar Tavern and Grill and is one hour long. Several participants often meet at 1pm and have lunch and fellowship. Please join us as you can. No RSVP needed!
- *Next Sunday is Palm Sunday! Please watch your email and our FaceBook page for Holy Week Services.

WORSHIP TEAM – This Week

LITURGIST – Nick Holton GREETER – Bill and Ramona Ridalls ACOLYTE – James Clark USHERS – Jim Rickert and Lee Rouse

CHILDREN'S WORD - Deb Pennell

COFFEE HOUR – Potluck!

WORSHIP TEAM – Next Week

LITURGIST – Evelyn Delaney
GREETER – Gary and Judy Asel
ACOLYTE – James Clark
USHERS – Mike Brick and Jonathan McLaren
CHILDREN'S WORD – Linda Word

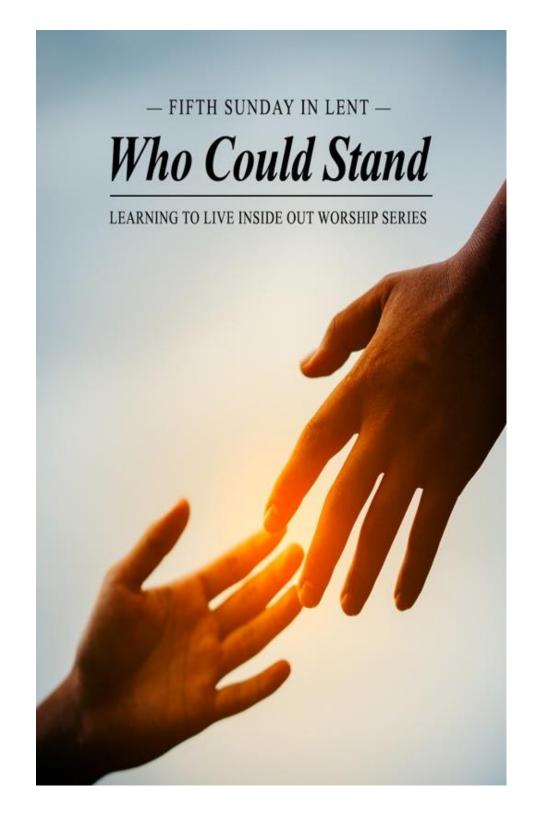
CHILDREN'S WORD – Linda Wend COFFEE HOUR – Polly Mason

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Building Reservations: Lee O'Connor 685-3896

Please remember if you want to use any of the buildings (family center, church and/or church basement) for any function (whether church related or not) you need to check with Lee to ensure the building has not already been reserved.



March 26, 2023 – FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

WELCOME and OPENING PRAYER

+UMH #154 - All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

+CALL TO WORSHIP - Nick Holton

L. Welcome pilgrims on the way to the cross.

P. We are learning to follow Jesus.

L. The journey is long, and the burden of our sins and struggles feels so heavy.

P. Yet we will hope in God because with God, there is steadfast love.

L. All around us, we witness neighbors and communities who are lifeless, despairing that they could ever be revived.

P. Yet God tells us that to come back to life, we must come together.

L. Year after year of change and struggle have taken their toll—how can anyone bring forth life when we feel so parched and tired?

P. Yet God meets the lifeless with the breath of life, reviving us again to worship and follow God's way.

L. Pilgrims on the way, come let us worship God!

P. We come to worship God as we learn to live inside out! Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – The Life of the Church – Nick

SCRIPTURE READING – John 11:1-45 – Nick

CHILDREN'S WORD - Deb Pennell

PRAYER TIME -

CELEBRATIONS – The Life of the Congregation

INTERCESSARY AND PASTORAL PRAYER

LORDS PRAYER

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Almighty and restoring God, we have been living through some difficult days, as churches and as individuals. We experience days when we rise, wondering if we will make it through one more day, whether the church will survive for another generation; and we feel like those dry bones in the valley. As we offer our tithes and offerings, help us to hear the word of hope the prophet shares, not just with our ears but with our hearts. May it call us back to life and service, out of the graves of despair in which we have buried ourselves. In Christ's holy name. Amen.

TITHES and OFFERINGS

+DOXOLOGY - UMH #95

+TFWS #2151 - I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

SERMON - Pastor: Helen Alford - Who Could Stand

+UMH #530 - Are Ye Able

BENEDICTION

+Congregation Please Stand (as you are able)

CONTINUING PRAYERS

Harper, Natalie, Baby George Savage, Dean, Mae Delaney, Krystal, John Nugent, Dixie's brother Joe, Cindy Lee's Dad & family, Wendy Coon, Lee O'Connor and sister and brother-in-law, Carol and Denny, Rod's brother Roger, Pastor Helen and family, Military and First Responders, Search, Rescue, and Recovery.