

**THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**Sunday, March 20, 2011**

**PRELUDE** "Lord I Give My Heart to You" Pillihp

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Rev. Edd Spencer  
(Please Silence Your Cell Phones. Thank You.)

**\*CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP** "O Lord, Hear My Prayer"

**EXTINGUISHING THE SECOND LENTEN CANDLE** Rev. Russell Fountain

**"Christ Pierced Him In The Side"**

Were you there when they pierced Him in the side?  
Were you there when they pierced Him in the side?  
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they pierced Him in the side?

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** "Oh Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" Chalice Hymnal No.540

**\*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER and GLORIA PATRI** Rev. Edd Spencer  
(Words to the Lord's Prayer, Gloria Patri and Doxology are in the pews)

**CHILDREN'S BLESSING** Rev. Edd Spencer  
Children who are rising four years old through fourth grade will be dismissed to Children's Worship & Wonder an experiential worship experience for children, which meet in our library.

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES, OFFERINGS and WEEK OF COMPASSION**  
**Call to Stewardship** Rev. Edd Spencer  
**Special Music Offering** "Transformed by the Whip" Jasjon  
**\*Doxology**  
**Prayer of Dedication** Rev. Edd Spencer

**ANTHEM** "Come To the Shadows" Martin  
Solo: Kathy Mann, Mezzo Soprano

**PASTORAL PRAYER** Rev. Edd Spencer

**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**  
**Communion Hymn** "Here at Thy Table, Lord" Chalice Hymnal No.384  
**Invitation to Communion** Bob Coupland  
**Prayer of Communion** Sheila Coupland  
(This is the Lord's Table. All believers in Christ are invited. As the emblems are passed, partake of the bread and hold the cup, offering your own prayer/meditation until after the congregational response.)

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:**  
(Taken from the New Testament: First Corinthians 11:23-26)

**ELDER:** The Lord Jesus, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is My Body which is given for you."

**COMMUNION MUSIC** "Bread of Life" Rehsarb

**ELDER:** In the same way also the cup, after supper saying, "This cup is the new covenant of My Blood. Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of Me."

**CONGREGATION:** As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**SCRIPTURE** Mark 15:15 Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

**SERMON** "The Whip Maker" Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

**\* HYMN OF INVITATION** "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"  
Chalice Hymnal No. 195

**\*BENEDICTION** Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE** "Walk in the Light" Chalice Praise Hymnal No.155

Walk in the light, loved in God's sight,  
thru the dark night, walk, walk in the light.  
Come take my hand; heal this scarred land;  
together we'll stand; come, come take my hand.  
We're not alone, left on our own.  
Loved as God's own, we're, we're not alone.  
Walk in the light, loved in God's sight,  
thru the dark night, walk, walk in the light.  
Walk in the Light.

**\*POSTLUDE** "My Life Forever Changed" D'Ivad

**LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY, March 20**

9:00 am Sunday School  
9:45 – 10:15 am Fellowship Moments  
10:15 am Worship Service –Week of Compassion  
10:30 am Children’s Worship and Wonder  
4:30 pm Pastors Class  
No Youth Groups – Spring Break

**MONDAY-FRIDAY**

9:45 am – 1:30 pm The Adventure Nook

**MONDAY, March 21**

7:00 am Men’s Bible Study  
10:00 am Staff Meeting  
6:30 pm Mission Council

**TUESDAY, March 22**

9:45 am Chapel  
10:00 am Women’s Bible Study  
6:30 pm Caring & Sharing at Kathey Long’s  
7:00 pm Elders Calls

**WEDNESDAY, March 23**

6:00 pm Lenten Dinner  
6:30 pm Lenten Worship  
7:00 pm Choir Practice  
7:30 pm Cantata Practice

**THURSDAY, March 24**

7:00 pm Women’s Bible Study  
7:00 pm Advocates Bible Study

**FRIDAY, March 25**

7:00 pm Chi Rho Lock-In at the Spencer’s



## IN THE LIFE OF OUR CHURCH

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT LENTEN SUPPERS AND WORSHIP** - Every Wednesday night during Lent we will have the opportunity to gather in the Family Life Center at 6:00 pm for supper. The Fellowship Mission will provide the meals, with the cost being \$5 for adults, \$3 for children 4-11, and children under 4 are free. Following the meal at 6:30, we will have a thirty-minute Lenten worship in the Farkas room. The youth will assist the ministers in leading the worship services. The worship services this year will focus on places in the Holy Land where powerful things happened.

Wednesday, March 23 The Mountains of The Wilderness – His Temptations

Wednesday, March 30 The Sea of Galilee – His Greatest Sermon

Wednesday, April 6 The City of Jerusalem – His Suffering

Wednesday, April 13 The Hill of Calvary – His Death

The meal and service has become a wonderful Lenten tradition at First Christian. Reservations for the meal can be made on the envelopes in the pews on Sunday mornings. If you can't come to the meal, please attend the Lenten worship service at 6:30 pm. The nursery will be open for childcare.

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP** - If you have ever had any concerns, questions about the Muslim religion, you will want to plan to attend our next Men's Fellowship on March 28<sup>th</sup>. We are very pleased to have as our Guest Speaker, Dr. Iradj Sooudi, an Iranian-born, ex-Muslim, who will be sharing his experiences as a Muslim, and his feelings on what is going on today with this religion. Our meal starts at 6:30 pm and we look forward to your being with us. Ladies are welcome to attend. Please sign-up on the chart in the narthex.

**YOUNG AT HEART** - Young at Heart & friends, you are in for a great treat. We will have as our guest for lunch, Plato Pappajohn Plato, well known in the produce business in Birmingham and now an author and inspiring speaker for all ages. A hard working immigrant from the island of Evia, Plato survived a childhood shattered by two wars and was drafted into the Korean conflict by the USA. He has quite a story of faith to tell. We are privileged to have him as our guest and speaker. Sign up on the poster and bring your friends for a great time of fellowship with Plato Pappajohn, on March 30<sup>th</sup> at noon, here at the First Christian Church.

**CARING & SHARING** – Caring and Sharing will meet at the home of Kathey Long on Tuesday, March 22 at 6:30 pm. This group is open to all women with an opportunity for Christian fellowship.

## WORSHIP LEADERS

**WORSHIP LEADERS:** Rev. Edd Spencer & Rev. Mary Pat Spencer  
**MUSIC MINISTER:** Rev. Jan Watts  
**ORGANIST/PIANIST:** David Brasher  
**ELDERS ON CALL:** Bob & Sheila Coupland  
**SERVING DIACONATE:** Nickey Rudd, Carole Rudd, Bobby Boyd, Faye Boyd, Clayton Brammer, Charlotte Brammer, Cayla Corbin, Don Garrison, Susan Hales, David Hamilton, Gary Howard, Sherri LaBeau, Alyssa Lamb

### CHILDREN'S WORSHIP & WONDER:

**LESSON:** Parable of the Great Banquet

**STORYTELLER:** Paulette Farquhar

**GREETERS:** Julie Henderson & Pepper Edwards

**SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER:** Jim Thigpen

**WORSHIP GREETERS (Door):** Gary Howard & Sharon Freeman

**WORSHIP GREETER (Table):** Peggy Daniels

**COMPASSION WEEK EXTENTION** - Our hearts break for our neighbors in Japan as they try to cope with the aftermath of earthquakes and a tsunami even as they fear nuclear disaster. We feel compassion for their pain, loss, and uncertainty. We want to help, and we can. **The Week of Compassion offering will be extended for two weeks, March 20 and 27, to provide a secure way for us to assist our neighbors.**

The Christian Church (DOC) is also poised to assist Libyan refugees as they escape into Tunisia, assist flood victims in Brazil and Colombia, and help US residents following recent storms in Kentucky and Missouri, especially. In addition, the Church has ongoing disaster relief programs in several African countries (Chad, Liberia, and Tanzania) and continues to provide aid to those suffering from flooding in Australia and the earthquake in New Zealand. The need is great. **Please give generously.** You can find out more about how the Christian Church (DOC) distributes Week of Compassion donations by visiting [www.weekofcompassion.org/current-year](http://www.weekofcompassion.org/current-year).

*Outreach Mission*

### NAME TAGS

We would really appreciate everyone wearing his/her name tag during worship and social events. Thank you. *Marquita and Susan, Membership Mission*