

**THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 2008**

**PRELUDE** "Sing and Rejoice" Lani Smith

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

**CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP** "How Long, O God, How Long?"

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Pastor:* Here, in this very room, with these people,  
**People:** **We find the One who leads us into God's kingdom;**  
*Pastor:* Here, in this very room, with our brothers and sisters in Christ,  
**People:** **We find a feast prepared for us;**  
*Pastor:* Here, in this very room, at this table of grace,  
**People:** **We eat the goodness that heals us, we drink of the mercy that is God's gift.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** "In This Very Room" Hymnal No. 295

**\*INVOCATION** Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER (Trespas) and GLORIA PATRI** Hymnal No. 35

**CHILDREN'S SERMON** Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

Children Preschool through fifth grade are welcome to join the Pastor in front of the sanctuary. Young worshipers (Age 3 through fourth grade) are invited to Children's Worship after the Children's Sermon. Please join the Leader in the back of the sanctuary.

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES, OFFERINGS AND WEEK OF COMPASSION OFFERING**

A Call to Stewardship Rev. Mary Pat Spencer  
Special Music Offering "Elijah Rock" Perry  
Chi Rho Music Group

\*Doxology Hymnal No. 46

\*Prayer of Dedication Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

**ANTHEM** "Beneath the Cross" Clephane & Maker/ Arr. Raney  
Twila Tyree & David Brasher / 4 Hand Piano Accompaniment

**PASTORAL PRAYER** Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Communion Hymn "Here at Thy Table, Lord" Hymnal No. 384  
Invitation to Communion Clarissa Harms  
Prayer of Communion Libby Carpenter

(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** "The Love of God is Steadfast" Colin Curtis

**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** Matthew 26:17-30; John 13: 1-17 Rev. Edd Spencer

**SERMON** "Dinner with the Twelve" Rev. Edd Spencer

**\* HYMN OF INVITATION** "I Am Thine, O Lord" Hymnal No. 601

**\*BENEDICTION** Rev. Edd Spencer

**CHORAL RESPONSE** "I Come with Joy" Hymnal No. 420

I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved and free,  
The life of Jesus to recall, in love laid down for me,  
In love laid down for me.

Together met, together bound by all that God has done,  
We'll go with joy, to give the world the love that makes us one,  
The love that makes us one.

**POSTLUDE** "Toccatà for a Celebration" Gene Clarke

**\* Please stand if you are able**



## WORSHIP LEADERS

### IN THE LIFE OF OUR CHURCH

- **THE CANTATA - Praise the God of Resurrection**, will be presented by the Chancel Choir next Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at the 10:00 am worship service. Be sure and spring forward on Saturday night because you do not want to be late for this wonderful offering in word and song. You will travel the breadth of human emotion found in the passion story of our Lord. From joyous hosannas, to hours of solitude and rejection, to glorious alleluias, the pervading theme is ultimately God is in control. Walking through the last days of Jesus' earthly life, our cantata this Easter season is a moving reminder of the power of the Living God. This work is a sensitive blending of scripture and inspired music that you will not want to miss.

- **THURSDAY NIGHT LENTEN SUPPERS AND WORSHIP** – Every Thursday night during Lent we will have the opportunity to gather in the Family Life Center at 6:15 for supper. Different groups will provide the meals with the cost being \$5.00 for adults and older children, \$3.00 for children 4 through 11, and children under 4 are free. Following the meal at 7:00 pm, we will have a thirty minute Lenten worship service in the Farkas room. The service will focus on the thoughts of Joyce Rupp from her book, "The Cup of Our Life." We will discover how the ordinary cups we use each day can become sacred vessels that connect us with life and draw us closer to God. The schedule for each service on the Cups is as follows:

March 6      *The Styrofoam Cup*  
March 13     *The Cup of Blessing*

All of these services will begin at 7:00 pm following the meal and will last thirty minutes, ending at 7:30 pm. Reservations for the meal can be made on the reservation chart in the narthex or call the church office. If you can't come to the meal, please attend the worship service at 7:00 pm. Childcare is provided for both the meal and the worship service.

- **TWENTY-FOUR HOUR PRAYER VIGIL THURSDAY, MARCH 20 – MARCH 21** – We are having a Twenty-Four Hour Prayer Vigil beginning at 9:00 pm on Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup> and ending at 9:00 pm on Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup>. The prayer vigil will be in the sanctuary with each person praying at their special time. A prayer chart consisting of 48 thirty minute prayer periods will be in the narthex. During the prayer vigil, there will be material available for reflection and prayer. There will also be security in the parking lot for those praying in the sanctuary during the night hours.

*WORSHIP LEADERS:*      *Rev. Edd Spencer, Rev. Mary Pat Spencer*  
*MINISTER OF MUSIC:*    *Rev. Jan Watts*  
*ORGANIST/PIANIST:*     *David Brasher*  
*ELDERS ON CALL:*        *Clarissa Harms, Libby Carpenter*  
*SERVING DIACONATE:*     *Mack Carpenter, Julie Henderson, Megan Alderson, Buzz DeVore, Nancy DeVore, Kathy Mann, Mike Mee, Bruce Moon, Marian Moon, Sharon Orazine, Elizabeth Orazine, Donna Penn, John Townsend, Lisa Townsend, Garry Tyree*  
  
*WORSHIP GREETERS:*    *Charles & Peggy Daniels*  
*WELCOME TABLE:*      *Ann Langley*  
*CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:*   *Allison Mirabito*  
*SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER:* *Jim Thigpen*

- **EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE AND BREAKFAST** – Our Easter Sunrise Worship and Breakfast is Easter Sunday, at 6:30 am at the outdoor amphitheater at Hargis Retreat. Following the service, breakfast will be served in the Hargis dining room at a creation and the Light of the World in Jesus. Following the service, we will gather around the table for a fantastic breakfast with great food and fellowship as we celebrate the risen Lord. Please sign up for reservations in the narthex or call the church office.
- **EASTER LILIES** – Please sign up in the narthex for Easter Lilies in memory or honor of a loved one. The lilies are \$12 each. Please note on your check for "Lilies".
- **REGIONAL ASSEMBLY IN MOBILE** – Azalea Hills Christian Church will be the host site for this year's Regional Assembly meeting April 25 – 27. A wonderful group of speakers will be present, including the former Moderator, Rev. William Lee, pastor of the Loudon Avenue Christian Church, in Roanoke, VA. Voting delegates from our church will be Ellis and Lynn Hill, Libby and Deb Carpenter, Sharon Orazine, Carl Flock, and Edd and Mary Pat Spencer. Please consider attending the assembly. Reservations forms are in the narthex.