#### MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

Margaret and Jerry Holt- In Memory of Donald Baker

#### HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

2 - Loyd Fox
4 - Jill Waters
9 - Clayton Massey
12 - Andrea Helms
12 - Kenneth Shuler
13 - Rose Mary Bean
16 - Jake Clark
21 - Paul Kourkoubes
22 - Annette Flanagan
23 - Jon McCalmont
29 - Rebel lake
31 - Rachel Graham

#### MARCH PRAYER REQUESTS

**Disciples:** : Jeff and Rosemary Bean, Annette Flanagan, Craig Denton, Claudia Thompson, Janesta Williams, Holly Massey, Carol Johns, Diane Harrell, Nancy Garrison

Friends: Michelle Oglesby, Sharon Foster, Rick Young, Trish Grace, Joy Pettit, Vivianne, Gail Stogner, Daniel and Robyn Adams, David Adams, Blaine Cole, Mark Wagner, Sam (Ryan Rape's grandfather), Ed and Charlotte Biggs, Chris and Carmen, Bernard Bagley

**Community:** Van Wyck and Lancaster communities, our teachers and students

**Providence Presbytery:** Lockhart Presbyterian Church (Union, SC) Jonathan Cantrell

Wider World: California wildfires, Israel and Gaza, Lebanon, Syria, Ukraine, Russia, our country and elected leaders Youth: Cody Campbell, Harrison Cargill, Rachel Graham, Stuart Graham, Charlie Haynes, Alena Massey, Kate McCalmont

**Vocational and College Students:** Devon Overstreet, Fritz Walker

Session: <u>Class of 2025</u>: Holly Massey, Craig Denton; <u>Class of 2026</u>: Janet Campbell, Julie Graham, <u>Class of 2027</u>: Laine Ardrey, Mika Sinclair

Staff: Donna Fox, Stuart Graham, Barbara McAfee, Janesta

Williams, Rev. Carson Montgomery



Thank you for faithfully supporting our ministries.

## CHURCH CALENDAR

Sun. 3/23: 10:00 am Children's & Youth Sunday School 10:00 am Adult Study 11:00 am Worship 7:00 pm Soul Sisters

Mon. 3/24: 7:00 pm Bible 101

Tues. 3/25: 5:00 pm Lunch Prep for Community Lunch 7:00 pm Integrity Group Meeting (FH) 7:00 pm Session Meeting (VR)

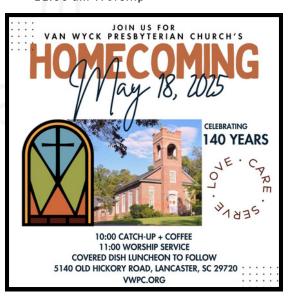
Wed. 3/26: 12:00 pm Community Unity Lunch

Thurs. 3/27: 8:30 am Magic Needle Quilt Guild (FH) 7:00 pm Integrity Group Meeting (FH)

Sat. 3/30: 10:00 am Integrity Group Meeting (FH)

Sun. 3/31: 10:00 am Children's & Youth Sunday School

10:00 am Adult Study 11:00 am Worship



\*Jake Clark will be attending a Kairos event at the Kershaw prison March 25-28. If you are interested in helping him share the love of Christ with the inmates, there is a prayer vigil sign up sheet in the narthex where you can choose a time to pray for the inmates. Your first name will be included on a prayer wheel for the inmates to see that people they don't even know are praying for them! Thank you for showing God's love to the least, the last, the lost.

FH= Fellowship Hall, VR= Vaughan Room



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# Van Wyck Presbyterian Church Sunday, March 23, 2025 The Third Sunday in Lent

#### **PRELUDE**

Eric Grace

#### **PASTORAL WELCOME**

Rev. Carson Montgomery

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Janet Campbell, Liturgist

#### CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 63: 3-4)

Janet Campbell

O God, your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

I will bless you as long as I live; I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

Let us seek the Lord in our worship and praise.

\*HYMN NO. 611: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Janet Campbell

#### CONFESSION

Almighty God, you alone are good and holy. We give you thanks that you created humanity good, and yet our lack of trusting you has compromised our hearts and minds with the human condition of sin. Forgive us for forgetting whose we are and who we are. Retrace the lines of our inner being with your grace. In this season of Lent, we ask you for a spirit of renewal to recommit ourselves to live in faithfulness to you. Quicken our hearts and minds to love you and to serve Christ, who, tested in every way as we are, was faithfully obedient to you. Amen.

#### **PROMISE OF GRACE**

Friends believe the good news: God is renewing us through the uncompromising faithfulness of Jesus Christ. May the Holy Spirit reshape our lives according to the example of Jesus Christ, for it is through him that God reveals our true humanity.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

#### \*SUNG RESPONSE

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.

#### A WORD WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Carson Montgomery

**HYMN NO. 435:** There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

#### PRAYER & SCRIPTURE READING

Rev. Carson Montgomery Isaiah 55:1-9 (p. 685) Luke 13: 1-9 (p. 76)

### SERMON: A Changed Heart and Mind

Rev. Carson Montgomery

## \*REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH: A Brief Statement of Faith (Sections 1-3, Hymnal p.37)

### PRAISES & PRAYER CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER
THE LORD'S PRAYER (Hymnal p.35)

# THE OFFERING AND SUNG RESPONSE (Hymn No. 606)

#### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous God, we are grateful that you are our provider and deliverer. This season of Lent we desire to live more intentionally in your presence. Bless the gifts of our devotion, active faith, and financial treasures. May your name be praised through the ministries you call us to. Amen.

HYMN NO. 649: Amazing Grace

#### **BENEDICTION**

Rev. Carson Montgomery

#### **POSTLUDE**

Eric Grace

# LENTEN SERMON SERIES: UNCOMPROMISED FAITH

March 23: A Changed Heart & Mind (Luke 13: 1-9)

March 30: The Embodiment of Love (Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-32)

April 6: The Gift of Being Present (John 12: 1-8)

April 13: Turning Point Moments (Luke 19: 28-40)

April 17: Maundy Thursday & Communion @ 7pm

April 20: Easter Breakfast & Flowering the Cross @ 9:30am

April 20: Easter Worship @ 11am