

Van Wyck Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 16, 2025

The Second Sunday in Lent

PRELUDE

Ryne Hawkins

PASTORAL WELCOME

Rev. Carson Montgomery

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Janet Campbell

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 27:4)

Janet Campbell

The psalmist sings: One thing I asked of the Lord that I will seek after is this:

To live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in God's temple.

Sisters and brothers, God is good, and in love and mercy the Lord greets us here.

HYMN NO. 462

I Love to Tell the Story

Mona Baker

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. 661

His Eye Is on the Sparrow

Mona Baker

PRAYER & SCRIPTURE READINGS

Rev. Carson Montgomery

Psalm 27 Responsive Reading (Hymn No. 90)

Luke 9: 28-43a (p. 70)

SERMON

Questioning Effectiveness

Rev. Carson Montgomery

*REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH A Brief Statement of Faith
(Section 1-2, Hymnal p. 37)

PRAISES AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Carson Montgomery

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. 761

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

Mona Baker

BENEDICTION

Rev. Carson Montgomery

POSTLUDE

Ryne Hawkins

Memorials This Week Received By:

Annette Flanagan- In Memory of Donald Baker

Annette Flanagan- In Memory of Paul Tolman

Glenda Manus- In Memory of Paul Tolman

Glenda Manus- In Memory of Donald Baker

Camille and Sam Dunlap- In Memory of Donald Baker

Camille and Sam Dunlap- In Memory of Paul Tolman

Loris and John Krysa- In Memory of Paul Tolman

Elizabeth and Robert Myers- In Memory of Paul Tolman

Honorariums This week Received By:

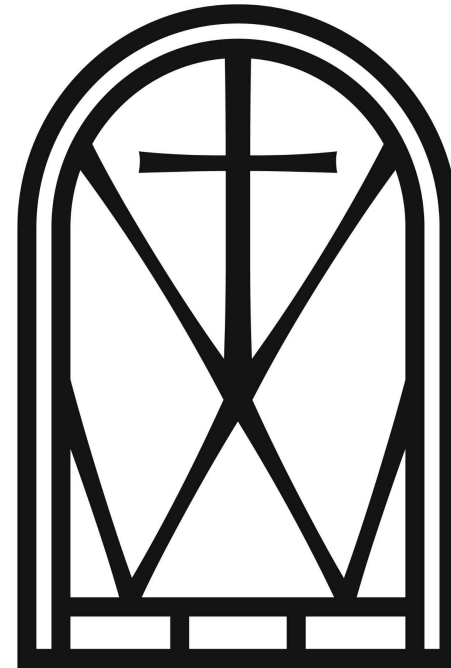
Jane and Jim Massey- In Honor of Clayton Massey

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Elder of the Week | Mika Sinclair

Church Calendar

Sunday March 16	10:00 am Children's Sunday School 10:00 am Adult Study 11:00 am Worship
Monday March 17	10:30 am Presbyterian Women (Fellowship Hall) 7:00 pm Bible 101
Tuesday March 18	5:00 pm Lunch Prep for Community Lunch 7:00 pm Integrity Group (Fellowship Hall)
Wed March 19	12:00 pm Community Unity Lunch 6:00 pm Building and Grounds Committee Meeting (Vaughan Room)
Thursday March 20	8:30 am Magic Needle Quilt Guild (Fellowship Hall) 7:00 pm Integrity Group (Fellowship Hall)
Saturday March 22	10:00 am Integrity Group (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday March 23	10:00 am Children's Sunday School 10:00 am Adult Study 11:00 am Worship
Monday March 24	7:00 pm Bible 101
Tuesday March 25	5:00 pm Lunch Prep for Community Lunch 7:00 pm Integrity Group (Fellowship Hall) 7:00 pm Session Meeting (Vaughan Room)
Wed March 26	12:00 pm Community Unity Lunch
Thursday March 27	8:30 am Magic Needle Quilt Guild (Fellowship Hall) 7:00 pm Integrity Group (Fellowship Hall)
Saturday March 22	10:00 am Integrity Group (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday March 31	10:00 am Children's Sunday School 10:00 am Adult Study 11:00 am Worship

**Tour the holy land from the Fellowship Hall and see the Bible and our history of faith come to life! Adults will gather at 10am beginning Sunday Feb 23 for a DVD accompanied study of Drive Through History: Acts to Revelation (The World of the First Christians).

**We give thanks today to Ryne Hawkins and Mona Baker for sharing their gifts of music for the glory of God and with us in worship today!

**The antique wooden stand in the chancel area is given to the church by the Baker family in memory of Donald Baker. Its addition to the sanctuary is to display the urn in memorial services or floral arrangements for worship.

Happy MARCH Birthday to YOU!!!

2 – Loyd Fox	16 – Jake Clark
4 – Jill Waters	21 – Paul Kourkoubes
9 – Clayton Massey	22 – Annette Flanagan
12 – Andrea Helms	23 – Jon McCalmont
12 – Kenneth Shuler	29 – Rebel Blake
13 – Rose Mary Bean	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: 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)

Rev. Rob Jones

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

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

Rev. Carson Montgomery

*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, please consider either baking cookies or purchasing meal tickets. The cookies must be delivered to either the church or to Jake Clark by Monday, March 24. The guidelines/recipes for the cookies will be in the narthex, as well as the meal tickets. These tickets are available for a financial donation (\$5?...\$10?...your decision), & will be given to the men as they pick up their meals during this Christian "retreat". Only your first name is written on the meal ticket, & helps the men realize 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.