

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
March 16, 2025 – 10 a.m.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
Living our Faith, Nurturing Families,
Serving our Communities.

*GREETING

MUSIC FOR GATHERING Susan Finger
“How Beautiful Are The Feet of Them”

*CALL TO WORSHIP Joe Snyder
ONE: Today is a day to sing praise to God!
ALL: **God continually blesses us, each and every day.**
ONE: Even in the midst of cold and darkness, the warmth of God’s love is real.
ALL: **We can count on God to be here for us.**
ONE: Let your hearts rejoice and your voices shout praise to God.
ALL: **For God is great and worthy to be praised. Amen!**

*HYMN “Holy God, We Praise Thy Name” #79
1. Holy God, we praise thy name;
2. Lord of all, we bow before thee;
all on earth thy scepter claim;
3. all in heaven above adore thee.
Infinite thy vast domain; everlasting is thy reign.

2. Hark the glad celestial hymn
4. angel choirs above are raising;
cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising,
fill the heavens with sweet accord:
5. Holy, holy, holy Lord.

4. Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit:
6. three we name thee,
though in essence only one;
7. undivided God we claim thee,
and adoring bend the knee while we own the mystery.

OFFERING TO GOD
SERVING GOD Juanita Slattery
OFFERTORY Sanctuary Choir
“Have You Not Heard”

*DOXOLOGY
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below; Praise
him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father,
Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION Juanita Slattery

ANTHEM Sanctuary Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Joe Snyder

LORD’S PRAYER (unison)
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

*HYMN “Rock of Ages” #361
1. Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
let me hide myself in thee;
let the water and the blood,
from thy wounded side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure;
save from wrath and make me pure.

3. Nothing in my hand I bring,
simply to the cross I cling;
naked, come to thee for dress;
helpless, look to thee for grace;
foul, I to the fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

*OLD TESTAMENT Joe Snyder
Psalm 91:1-4 (NLT)
¹ Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty. ² This I declare about the LORD: He alone is my refuge, my place of safety; he is my God, and I trust him. ³ For he will rescue you from every trap and protect you from deadly disease. ⁴ He will cover you with his feathers. He will shelter you with his wings. His faithful promises are your armor and protection.

*GOSPEL Luke 13:31-35 (MSG)
³¹ Just then some Pharisees came up and said, “Run for your life! Herod’s got your number. He’s out to kill you!”
³²⁻³⁵ Jesus said, “Tell that fox that I’ve no time for him right now. Today and tomorrow I’m busy clearing out the demons and healing the sick; the third day I’m wrapping things up. Besides, it’s not proper for a prophet to come to a bad end outside Jerusalem. Jerusalem, Jerusalem, killer of prophets, abuser of the messengers of God! How often I’ve longed to gather your children, gather your children like a hen, Her brood safe under her wings—but you refused and turned away! And now it’s too late: You won’t see me again until the day you say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of God.’”
This is God’s Word for God’s people today.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON Chickens and Foxes Rev. Boruff

LENTEN CREED
We believe in the birthing, renewing, enabling Spirit of God.
We believe the Spirit of God watches over our welfare as a mother protects her child. This is our faith that we humbly claim in Jesus’ name. Amen.

HYMN “It Is Well With My Soul” #377
1. When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.
Refrain:
It is well with my soul,
it is well, it is well with my soul.

2. Though Satan should buffet,
though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and hath shed his own blood for my soul. (Refrain)

BENEDICTION

MUSIC FOR SENDING Susan Finger
“Darwall’s 148th”

**Please stand as you are able.*

THANK YOU
for assisting in worship!
Worship Leaders: Joe Snyder & Juanita Slattery
Music: Sanctuary Choir
Sound Tech: Mark Murray
Visual Tech: Matt Stout

WELCOME

Welcome to worship on Sundays and all programs & ministries throughout the week!

Announcements

- **GUESTS:** Welcome! There is a gift bag for you at the Welcome Center. Glad you joined us and hope you will come again!
- **COMMUNITY CAFÉ:** 69 guests were serve last Sunday. It was a blessing to serve the community.
- **LENTEN STUDY:** "The Message of Jesus" continues on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. in the North/South Parlor. ALL are welcome!
- **DAILY DEVOTIONS FOR LENT:** “40 Days of Jesus Always: Joy in His Presence” by Sarah Young. Pick up your copy and engage with God everyday through Lent!
- **LENTEN BREAKFAST SERIES:** All are welcome at 8 am. for breakfast and a speaker at United in Christ Church in Anderson on **March 22**.
- **BAPTISM/RE-AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM:** Sunday, **March 30** at 2 p.m. Confirmation students and mentors will be baptized or re-affirm their baptism by immersion at the Anderson University Pool. You are encouraged to come! If you wish to receive baptism by immersion contact Pastor Corinne.
- **LIBRARY:** If you have books that you have read and need returned to the church library, please do so. We are taking inventory.
- **J.O.Y. Lunch: March 21** at 11:30 am with Dr. Brian Dirck, AU History Professor as our presenter. Arby’s Reuben Sandwich will be the meal. Make a reservation by **March 19**.
- **EGG HUNT:** Donate your candy and treats. Volunteer your time and talents on **April 5** at Davis Park. And attend with family and friends!

We give thanks for today’s:

Ushers: Dick Falkenberry, Ryan Falkenberry, Bonnie Belangee, Jeff Dyer

Greeters: Jim Ault, Pat Walker

Fellowship Time: Debbie Millikan, Dee Ann Williams

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Weekly Schedule

Sun 3/16			
9:00 am	Trustees Meeting	Conference Room	Downtown
10:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary	Downtown
11:15 am	YA Gathering	Youth Room	Downtown
2:00 pm	Worship		Primrose
4:30 pm	Community Café	Fellowship Hall	Downtown

Mon 3/17			
5:00 pm	Exercise Class		Davis Park
6:00 pm	AA Big Book Study	North/South Parlor	Downtown

Tues 3/18			
9:00 am	Sew Group	Fellowship Hall	Downtown
10:00 am	Staff Meeting	Conference Room	Downtown
12:00 pm	Willing Workers	North/South Parlor	Downtown
4:15 pm	AACC Rehearsal	Sanctuary/Choir Room	Downtown
6:00 pm	Church Council Meeting	North/South Parlor	Downtown
6:30 pm	Girl Scouts	Fellowship Hall	Downtown

Wed 3/19			
3:00 pm	Coffee with Corinne		Facebook
5:00 pm	Exercise Class		Davis Park
6:00 pm	Bells	Bell Room	Downtown
6:00 pm	Lenten Study	North/South Parlor	Downtown
6:00 pm	First Kids Club	Fireplace Room	Downtown
6:20 pm	Kids Choir Rehearsal	Younger Kids Room	Downtown
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir	Sanctuary	Downtown

Thurs 3/20
No Activities Scheduled

Fri 3/21			
9:00 am	Bible Study	North/South Parlor	Downtown
11:30 am	JOY Lunch	North/South Parlor	Downtown
12:00 pm	Downtown Devotions		Facebook

Sat 3/22			
10:00 am	AA Meeting	East/West Parlor	Downtown

Sun 3/23			
10:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary	Downtown
11:15 am	Confirmation Class	Youth Room	Downtown
2:00 pm	Worship		Primrose
4:30 pm	Food@First	Narthex	Downtown



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Director of Family Ministries: Ally Hall
Ministers: Congregation