

Wilmington Island Presbyterian Church

Youth Sunday/2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

March 16, 202510:00 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:  
where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.  
O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

St Francis of Assisi, 1181-1226

PRELUDEAwake My SoulManford & Sons

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lily Robertson

PRAYER OF ADORATION & PRAISE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus’ invitation is given to all: "Come to me! Follow me!  
Be my disciples!"

We come to this place, to this time, at the invitation  
of Christ our Lord.

In the name of Christ,

We accept the invitation to discipleship.

In the midst of a world where cruelty abounds,

We proclaim the God of peace and compassion.

In the midst of despair that threatens to swallow up whole  
lives, whole peoples,

We proclaim the God of hope.

In the midst of indifference and apathy,

We proclaim the God of love.

All: Come, let us worship together and bear witness to  
God's living presence in the world.

\*HYMN 488 I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry

"I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.  
I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;  
In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.  
"When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on;  
You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.  
If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,  
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk 'till rising sun.

"In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,  
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.  
When the evening gently closes in, and you shut your weary eyes,  
I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.  
"I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold."

\*CALL TO CONFESSIONAndrew Burns

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God of mercy, you who know us better than we know  
ourselves, and still love us: forgive us when our good  
intentions do not translate into loving actions; forgive us  
when we fail to see your image in others; forgive us  
when we speak rashly without thinking of the  
consequences or remain silent out of indifference or fear.  
Thank you, loving God, that even when we are dead to  
sin you make us alive in Christ. Continue to strengthen  
us through your Holy Spirit so that others may see  
Christ at work in us and through us. Amen.

\*PERSONAL REFLECTION & SILENT CONFESSION

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*GLORIA PATRI581

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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Conrad and Clyde Ceccarelli

CHILDREN’S TIME

Maggie McManus

ARTISTIC OFFERING

Addy Nilsen

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Lilia Estes

John 16:29-33, Matthew 13:1-9

REFLECTION

Leighson Estes

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Tapley Estes

John 15:2-5, Romans 12:14-18

REFLECTION

Breezy Atchinson

HYMN

Come As You Are

Crowder

(see screen for lyrics)

ORDINATION/INSTALLATION

Elder Carla Moore

CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS

Will Tucker

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and

THE LORD’S PRAYER (debts...debtors)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY It Is Well with My Soul

Lilia & Tapley Estes

\*DOXOLOGY647

Give thanks with a grateful heart; Give thanks to the Holy One;  
Give thanks because we’re given Jesus Christ, the Son. (repeat)  
And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; Let the poor say,  
"We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us." (repeat)  
Give thanks. Give thanks.

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the joy you wrap us  
with each and every day. Help us to share that joy, even  
as we share our gifts, with others through our words and  
our deeds. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen

\*HYMN 623 I’ve Got Peace Like a River

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river in my soul.  
I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river in my soul.  
I’ve got like a fountain, I’ve got like a fountain,  
I’ve got like a fountain in my soul.  
I’ve got like a fountain, I’ve got like a fountain,  
I’ve got like a fountain in my soul.  
I’ve got love like an ocean, I’ve got love like an ocean,  
I’ve got love like an ocean in my soul.  
I’ve got love like an ocean, I’ve got love like an ocean,  
I’ve got love like an ocean in my soul.  
I've got peace like a river, I've got joy like a fountain,  
I’ve got love like an ocean in my soul.  
I've got peace like a river, I've got joy like a fountain,  
I’ve got love like an ocean in my soul.

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

Etude #4

Lilia Estes

Rabbath

\*Congregation may stand in body or in spirit

Congregational responses said in unison are in bold

Welcome All – Members, Friends & Visitors! We thank you for worshiping with us today. We trust the Spirit of God in this place will encourage and strengthen you in your devotion to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. If you would like to learn more about the membership and ministry of our church, please contact Pastor Andy.

Please find, fill out & pass the black Friendship Pad at the end of each pew... & take, fill out and wear a nametag so that we can greet one another by name.

Our staffed Nursery, located in the Office Building, is available for children up to 4 years of age during worship. Worship bags are available in the back of the sanctuary for younger children. The Parlor, located in the back of the sanctuary, is equipped with speakers so that while you enjoy the worship service your young children can enjoy more freedom.

Today, we welcome Conrad and Clyde Ceccarelli into God’s family and our church family through the sacrament of Baptism. Michael and Emily are the proud parents, and Bob and Deanna Molnar are the doting grandparents.

There will be Sunday School for all ages following worship this morning.

All are invited to join one of our regular weekly study groups this week:

- Tuesday Morning Bible Study, 10:00, Education Building
- Tuesday Evening Women’s Study, 7:00, Education Building;
- Men’s Bible Study, Wednesday mornings, 7:15, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday Night Supper – Join us in Fellowship Hall this Wednesday at 5:45 PM for sweet and sour chicken, rice and salad prepared by Rhoda Voth. Please use the insert or call the church office at 912-897-1840 to RSVP.

VISA – our “Very Important Senior Adults” will meet this Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 AM at *The Snug Irish Pub* (216 Johnny Mercer Blvd.). Please use the insert or call the church office to sign up.

Make plans to join us next Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> for a congregational brunch immediately following worship. On the menu will be BBQ Brisket smoked by Carla Moore, with baked beans, coleslaw, rolls and dessert provided by the Congregation Care Committee. Please use the insert to let us know you will be joining us.

Vacation Bible School, June 9<sup>th</sup> – June 13<sup>th</sup> – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! We are in need of volunteers to help out during this special week of outreach to the children of our church and community. If you would like to help, please see the insert or talk with Marty Susie.

Inner City Night Shelter is in need of peanut butter and jelly and/or bologna sandwiches. Please put them in sandwich bags so they can be added to food trays. Bring in anytime and put in the fridge in Fellowship Hall and they will be taken to ICNS. THANK YOU!

To make a gift to the church, offering plates will be passed, or you may train your phone’s camera on the QR code below which will bring you to our church’s online giving portal.



Please remember the following in your prayers:

- Diana Davis & family on the death of her father-in-law, Ray Davis, 2/28
- La Iglesia Latina, our sibling Presbyterian Church in Swainsboro
- Steve Hopkins, father of Preschool Director, Ashley Cetti, cancer
- Hester Haas, recovering from surgery
- Steve Cheshire, recovering from surgery
- Jim Baker, recovering from surgery
- Jan Dickson
- Jack Susie
- Sally Barksdale
- Joy Youngblood’s brother, Mark
- Joanne Bower’s husband, Bob, and Daughter, Rhonda
- Liz Ewbank’s son, Seth
- Bruce Anderson
- Patricia Helmly
- Jim and Debbie Baker's granddaughter, Caroline
- J. Wade’s friend, Jackie Klein
- Bob Hastie’s brother, Sandy
- Lex Bailey’s friend, Paul Hebert, ALS
- Nancy Sesterhenn's niece, Samantha
- Deanna Molnar’s aunt, Margaret, & cousin, Chloe
- Mary Lou Harrell’s cousin, Tammie Dooley
- Cindy Brown, John & Bebe Whitcomb, Tom & Bebe Dunlap

**Prayers for Those in Our Armed Forces Including:**

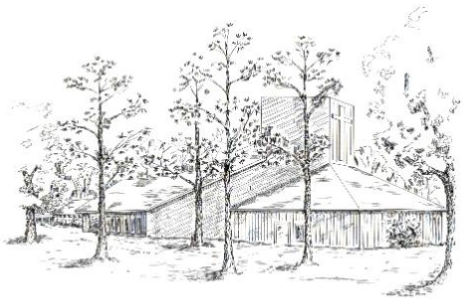
- Katlyn Flanders (Joy Youngbloods’ great-niece), West Point cadet
- Adam Calderon (Mary Ellen Harrell’s son; Mary Lou Harrell’s grandson); Davis Monthan AFB, Tucson, AZ
- Wally Lytle (Rhoda Voth’s nephew), US Marine Corp
- Tyler Lentini (Kurt & Sue Lentini’s son), USN, Guam
- Logan Roquemore (Hester Haas’ grandson), US Coast Guard

**This Week in Our Church**

Sunday 3/16	8:45	am	Session Meeting
	10:00	am	Worship
	11:00	am	Sunday School – All Ages
	7:30	pm	AA Meeting
Monday	1:00	pm	Mahjong Group
Tuesday	10:00	am	Bible Study – Book of Revelation
	7:00	pm	Women’s Bible Study
	8:00	pm	AA Meeting
Wednesday	7:15	am	Men’s Bible Study
	5:45	pm	Supper
	6:30	pm	High School Youth
	7:30	pm	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	11:45	am	VISA Lunch – The Snug Irish Pub
Friday	8:00	pm	AA Meeting
	5:00	pm	Middle School Youth
Saturday	9:00	am	Heathy Choices Support Group
Sunday 3/23	10:00	am	Worship
	11:00	am	Brunch
	7:30	pm	AA Meeting

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We are a Christian community trusting God to build a stronger church through worship, education, service and stewardship.

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Maggie McManus – Youth Director

Amy Estes – Music Director

Erica Gillette – Organist

Lucille Schaffner – Secretary

Christelle Giovannini – Church Accountant

Ashley Cetti – Preschool Director

Rev. Tom Dunlap – *Pastor Emeritus*