

Traditional Service of Worship

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 30, 2025

11:00 a.m.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Dickens

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please fill out a Connect Card located in the pew pocket or scan the QR code on the bottom right side of this bulletin.

INTROIT

*HYMN

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

No. 213

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Please respond by reading the bold text aloud.)

Today, we gather to claim and share the goodness of God in our lives.

We bring our stories of grace and transformation—our journeys of healing, renewal and hope.

The light of Christ gives us new vision and a new story to share

We come to worship, ready to celebrate what Christ has done in our lives.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (THE APOSTLES' CREED)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 70

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.

*RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Let no one be a stranger in the house of God.

Please take this opportunity to greet those around you.

*HYMN

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee (verse 1)

No. 175

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 35:1-6

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

We value the gift of generations, so all kids are invited to grab a worship bag (or coloring supplies) and remain in the sanctuary as part of worship. The nursery is open and available for kids four and younger.

ANTHEM

Alleluia (Honduras Alleluia)

Chancel Ringers

Katherine Crumrine and Kimberly Fishman, Percussion

Hurlbutt

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

OFFERTORY

There Is a Redeemer

Chancel Choir

Harlan

*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.

No. 95

*HYMN OF ILLUMINATION

Rock of Ages

No. 361

SCRIPTURE

John 9:1-12

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“The Power of Your Story”

Rev. Emily Knight

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

Fairest, Lord Jesus

No. 189

*THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

A Morning Trumpeting

Ritter

Worship Attendance - March 23, 2025

Contemporary Worship - In-person	67
Contemporary Worship- Online	9
Traditional Worship - In-person	114
Traditional Worship - Online	10
Total Worship	200

Serving in Worship Today

9 a.m. Contemporary Service

Tech Team: Melissa Matthews, Britt Scott

Liturgist: Bill Graessle

11 a.m. Traditional Service

Greeters: Emily Rehberg, Harriet Thurgood

Tech Team: Britt Scott, Quinton Scott

Liturgist: Teresa Meyer

Crucifer: Wyatt Snipes

Acolyte: Caden Bridges, Mason Bridges

What's Happening This Week?

TODAY:

Worship: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

New Member Class: 10:00 a.m. (Office Library)

Kids Choir: 10:00 a.m. (Room 403)

Kids Club: 10:30 a.m. (Room 404)

Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. (Rooms 202 & 204)

Youth Group: 10 a.m. (Room 302)

Chancel Ringers: 5:00 p.m. (Room 201)

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Tai Chi: Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. & Thursday at 7:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

Karate: Tues. & Thurs. at 5:30 p.m., Sat. at 3:00 p.m. (304)

Wednesday Night Ministry: Wed. at 5:30 p.m. (McCord Building)

Chancel Choir: Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. (Room 501)

First Friday Friends: Friday at 11:00 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

Margaret's Memories Box Assembly: Saturday at 10:00 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

Meals Served Last Week: 137

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.

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*Congregation, please stand.

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

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Gather with Song

We Are Waiting - All Sons & Daughters

Welcome! Greet one another in Christ!

My Lighthouse - Rend Collective

Scripture

Isaiah 35:1-6

My Hope Is In You Lord - Aaron Shust

Children's Message

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Announcements

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Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Offer Gifts to God

Beautiful Offering - Big Daddy Weave

Proclaim God's Word

John 9:1-12

"The Power of Your Story"

Rev. Emily Knight

Benediction and Sending

Come To The Water - Mark Baldwin

Offerings can be placed in the sanctuary offering plates, mailed to the church (819 Park St. Jacksonville, FL 32204) or given online using "MyWell" (code to the right): www.mywell.org/give/rpumc



Holy Week 2025

Palm Sunday 4/13: ONE service at 10:30 a.m.
Potluck Lunch,
Egg hunt for kids on the playground

Maundy Thursday 4/17:
Communion and Special Music Worship
Service at 6:30 p.m.

Good Friday 4/18:
Experiential/Sensory Stations of the Cross
Open: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
(start in the breezeway)

Easter Sunday 4/20: Celebrate Resurrection!
9 a.m. Contemporary, 11 a.m. Traditional
Bring flowers to transform the courtyard cross

Holy Week Helpers Needed

Greeters, communion servers, and more are needed for Holy Week. Scan the QR Code on the right to get plugged in.



Family Promise Week

April 6-12
Volunteers needed
Scan the QR code for details



Community Event

April 30th 1-5 p.m.

- Artists/Makers
- Food Vendors
- Agriculture
- Fun for all ages

MORE INFO



The Great INVITATION



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