

THE THIRD WEDNESDAY DAY OF LENT

February 24, 2016

12:00 noon



Outer Banks Presbyterian Church
907 S. Croatan Highway
Kill Devil Hills, NC 27948

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

✠ *Congregation stand as you are able.*

THE ORGAN PRELUDE Jason Evans, Organist

THE WORDS OF WELCOME

✠ THE CALL TO WORSHIP (*Spoken Responsively*)

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

People O Lord, make haste to help us.

**All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

✠ THE HYMN NO. 475: "Come, thou Fount of Every Blessing" NETTLETON

THE RESPONSIVE READING (*Spoken Responsively*) Psalm 63: 1-8

(1) O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; *
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

(2) Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, *
that I might behold your power and your glory.

(3) For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; *
my lips shall give you praise.

(4) So will I bless you as long as I live *
and lift up my hands in your Name.

(5) My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, *
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

(6) When I remember you upon my bed, *
and meditate on you in the night watches.

(7) For you have been my helper, *
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

(8) My soul clings to you; *
your right hand holds me fast.

THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 13: 1-9

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them--do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did."

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

THE HOMILY The Rev. Phillip R. Glick

Lord, have mercy

Christ, have mercy

Lord, have mercy

✠THE HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 418: "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" SOFTLY AND TENDERLY

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Spoken in 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

(Your prayers and petitions may be freely offered)

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

✠THE HYMN OF SENDING NO. 542: "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" GOD BE WITH YOU

✠THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE Jason Evans, Organist

Please join us in the fellowship hall following the worship service

For a lunch prepared by St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.

The cost of the lunch \$5.00.

God said: "If I create the world with only the attribute of mercy, people will feel free to sin as much as they want. But if I create it with only the attribute of strict justice, how could the world survive? Behold, I will create it with both attributes. Would that it might endure!"

—Rabbinic saying.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND LUNCHEON HOSTS

February 24, 2016

The Rev. Phil Glick, Speaker
from St. Andrew's by the Sea Episcopal Church
St. Andrew's by the Sea, Luncheon

March 2, 2016

The Rev. Tom Wilson, Speaker
from All Saints' Episcopal Church
Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, Luncheon

March 9, 2016

The Rev. Steve Siegrist, Speaker
from Ocean View Baptist Church
Ocean View Baptist Church, Luncheon

March 16, 2016

The Rev. Keith Dey, Speaker
from Emmanuel Lutheran Church
Friends of Emmanuel Lutheran, Luncheon

Holy Wednesday

March 23, 2016

The Rev. Elizabeth Tyson, Speaker
from Mighty Wind United Methodist Church
N. Dare Ministerial Association, Luncheon