

Outer Banks Presbyterian Church

Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina



The Fourth Wednesday in Lent

March 7, 2018

12:00 noon

The Order of Service

➤ *Congregation stand as you are able*

THE ORGAN PRELUDE

THE WORDS OF WELCOME

➤ THE CALL TO WORSHIP (*Spoken Responsively*)

LEADER: The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the works of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge.

PEOPLE: **There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard. Their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.**

LEADER: In the heavens he has pitched a tent for the sun, which is like a bridegroom coming forth from his pavilion, like a champion rejoicing to run his course.

ALL: **It rises at one end of the heavens and makes its circuit to the other; nothing is hidden from its heat.**

➤ THE HYMN OF WELCOMING NO. 460: “Break Thou the Bread of Life” BREAD OF LIFE

THE RESPONSIVE READING (*Spoken Responsively*) Psalm 19:7-14

LEADER: The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple. The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes.

PEOPLE: **The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them are righteous. They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb.**

LEADER: By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward. But who can discern their own errors? Forgive my hidden faults. Keep your servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over me. Then I will be blameless, innocent of great transgression.

ALL: **May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.**

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON: I Corinthians 1:18-25

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written: “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate.” Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe. Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

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 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.

THE MEDITATION: “Why Do We Remain So Foolish?” Chaplain Cherri S. Wheeler

➤ THE HYMN OF SENDING NO. 450: “Be Thou My Vision” SLANE

➤ THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE

Please join us in the fellowship hall following the worship service
for a lunch prepared by the Kitty Hawk Baptist Church.
The cost of the lunch \$5.00.

Wednesday Lenten Worship Service Schedule

Outer Banks Presbyterian has proudly hosted community Lenten Service sponsored by the Dare County Ministerial Association for many years. The services begin on Ash Wednesday, February 14 at 12:00 noon and will continue through March 28. There is a service in the sanctuary followed by a light lunch in the fellowship hall. The cost of the lunch is \$5.00 and the proceeds go to the Beach Food Pantry. All are invited to these services of music and reflection. The schedule for the 2018 Lenten season is as follows:

March 7

Chaplain Cherri Wheeler, Speaker
from Kitty Hawk Baptist Church
Kitty Hawk Baptist Church, Luncheon

March 14

The Rev. Keith Dey, Speaker
from Emmanuel Lutheran Church
St. Andrews' Episcopal Church, Luncheon

March 21

The Rev. Charles Daly, Speaker
from Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church
Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church, Luncheon

March 28

The Rev. Spottswood Graves, Speaker
from Calvary Presbyterian, Swan Quarter
Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, Luncheon