Outer Banks Presbyterian Church
Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina

The Third Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 15, 2020
10:00 am

A Member of the Presbyterian Church (USA)
And the Presbytery of New Hope

This Is God’s House! All Are Welcome!
The Order of Service for the Lord’s Day

As people enter the sanctuary, they are encouraged to greet one another and share the gifts of friendship and love. When the prelude begins, all are invited to begin personal preparation for worship. As a kindness to fellow worshippers, please silence all electronic devices.

♦ = Congregation standing as able.
♦ = Appropriate times to be seated when arriving after service begins.

~ We Gather Together as God's People ~

THE ORGAN PRELUDE: “I Call to You, Lord Jesus Christ” .........................J.S. Bach (1685-1750)
Mr. Jason Evans, organist

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

♦ THE GATHERING SONG: “Lord, Prepare Me” (Sung twice) ......................... SANCTUARY
The Sanctuary Choir & Congregation

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THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Concluding with the Kyrie)

THE ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

♦ THE GLORIA NO. 39: “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” (Verse 3) .......................................................... FAITHFULNESS

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow: blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning, new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

♦♦ THE PASSING OF THE PEACE (Spoken Responsively)

ONE: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
ALL: And also with you.

(Children in K-5 are dismissed to go to Children’s Church)

~ The Word of the Lord ~

THE PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION .................................................. Mrs. Maggie Snyder, Liturgist

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: John 4:4-15.......................... Mrs. Maggie Snyder, Liturgist

But Jesus had to go through Samaria. So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob’s well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, “Give me a drink.” (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, “How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?” (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink,’ you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.” The woman said to him, “Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?” Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.” The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.”

THE CHORAL ANTHEM: “Canon of Praise” (Psalm 103) ...... Pachelbel / setting by Hal Hopson
The Sanctuary Choir


Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come back.” The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!” The woman said to him, “Sir, I see that you are a prophet.”

The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming” (who is called Christ). “When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.” Jesus said to her, “I am he, the one who is speaking to you.” Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you want?” or, “Why are you speaking with her?” Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, “Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?” They left the city and were on their way to him.
Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, “He told me everything I have ever done.” So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world.”

ONE: This is the Word of the Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God!

THE SERMON: “Living Water”.................................The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

~ We Respond to the Word ~

♦ THE HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 213: “In the Cross of Christ I Glory”................................. RATHBUN

♦ THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH................................................................. The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God. begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER & 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.

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS ................................................................. Mr. Ron Baker, Greeting Elder

THE PIANO OFFERTORY: “The Old Rugged Cross” .......................................................... arr. Evans

Mr. Jason Evans, pianist

♦ THE SONG OF RESPONSE NO. 710: “We Lift Our Voices” .................................................. OFFERING

The Sanctuary Choir & Congregation

We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our lives; they are yours: we are an offering.
All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering; we are an offering.

♦ THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION ................................................................. Mr. Ron Baker, Greeting Elder

~ We Go Forth in Jesus’ Name ~

♦ THE HYMN OF SENDING NO. 451: “Open My Eyes, That I May See”......................... OPEN MY EYES

♦ THE CHARGE & Benediction
THE CLOSING RESPONSE: “May the Lord, Gracious Lord” ................................. Unknown
The Sanctuary Choir & Congregation

May the Lord, gracious Lord, bless and keep us forever.
Let us be more like thee in our every endeavor.
Holy Spirit, Eternal God, this we pray together.
May the Lord, gracious Lord, bless and keep us forever.

Mr. Jason Evans, organist
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Pancake Luncheon Postponed
The Pancake Luncheon scheduled for today after church as been postponed. It will be rescheduled at a later time after the current health crisis has passed. If you have already purchased tickets, please save them as they will be honored when the event is rescheduled.

Eastern Carolina Concert Society: A Grand Finale Concert
Join us this afternoon for a concert, free to the public, at Duck United Methodist Church, 1214 Duck Road. You’ll be entertained by keyboard artists who performed in our 2018 “Outstanding” Keyboard Extravaganza; inspired by The Drummond Family’s signature sound with newly-stylized gospel songs; serenaded with an encore performance by our well-established Trio La Mer; and captivated by a long-awaited rendezvous with Ocracoke Island duo, Coyote. You are warmly invited to enjoy helping us celebrate the close of an era of ECCS programs highlighting some of the treasure trove of talented musicians living here with us in The Outer Banks.

Easter Lily Donations
If you would like an Easter Lily placed in the Sanctuary on Easter to remember or honor a loved one, the Easter Lily order forms are now available. The cost this year is $10.00. Please pick up an order form in the Gathering Space and turn it into the church office or place it in the offering plate no later than Palm Sunday, April 5, 2020.

Third Thursday Lunch
The next 3rd Thursday Lunch will be held on March 19th at 11:30 (note earlier time) at Chilli Peppers Coastal Grill in Kill Devil Hills. Please call the office to RSVP no later than tomorrow.

Next Week’s Sermon
John 8: 1-11. The scribes and Pharisees bring a woman caught in adultery to Jesus. At that time, the punishment was to stone a woman to death who had committed that crime. Where that society and we are tempted to punish and seek retribution, Jesus offers mercy and second chances. Jesus forgave that woman and offers to cleanse us of our sins.

Pastor’s Bible Study
Pastor Jody is teaching a 6-week Bible study on the Gospel of John on Tuesdays at 5:00 pm. The first class was on February 25 and they will continue on Tuesdays through March 31. This week we will study John 8:1-11. Whether you can make it for one class or all of them, we hope you will join us!

Wednesday Lenten Worship Services
OBPC has hosted community Lenten Services sponsored by the Dare County Ministerial Association for many years. The services began on Ash Wednesday at 12:00 noon and continue every Wednesday through April 8. There is a service in the sanctuary followed by a light lunch in the fellowship hall. The suggested donation for the lunch is $5.00 and the proceeds go to local food pantries. All are invited to these services of music and reflection. The remaining schedule is as follows:

March 18
Chaplain Cherri Wheeler, Retired
March 25
The Rev. Keith Dey
From Emmanuel Lutheran Church
April 1
The Rev. Dr. Michelle Lewis
From Mighty Wind United Methodist Church
April 8
The Rev. Spottswood Graves
From Calvary Presbyterian, Swan Quarter
This Week at OBPC

**Sunday, March 15, 2020**
9:00 am ...................................... Sunday School
10:00 am ...................................... Morning Worship
4:00 pm ......ECCS Final Concert (Duck Church)
4:30 pm ...................................... Youth Group

**Monday, March 16, 2020**
4:30 pm ...................................... Mommy & Me
6:30 pm ...................................... Boy Scouts

**Tuesday, March 17, 2020**
5:00 pm ..................................... Pastor’s Bible Study
6:30 pm ...................................... Cub Scouts

**Wednesday, March 18, 2020**
12:00 pm .....................Lenten Service & Lunch
5:30 pm .................................Sanctuary Choir
6:30 pm ................................. Adult Study
7:00 pm ............................ Codependents Anonymous

**Thursday, March 19, 2020**
11:30 am ...................... Third Thursday Lunch
5:00 pm ...................................... Girl Scouts

**Friday, March 20, 2020**

**Saturday, March 21, 2020**
10:00 am .......................... Sanctuary Choir

**Sunday, March 22, 2020**
9:00 am ...................................... Sunday School
10:00 am ...................................... Morning Worship
11:15 am ...................................... Healing Service
4:30 pm ...................................... Youth Group

Sessions of AA meet in the Fellowship Hall each day at 7:30 am & 10:00 am, except Sundays.

Those Serving Today....

**This Week....**
**March 15, 2020**
Greeting Elder: Ron Baker
Liturgist: Maggie Snyder
Children's Church: Jeanne Moore
Coffee Hour: Christian Education

**Next Week....**
**March 22, 2020**
Greeting Elder: Barb Nowland
Liturgist: Jeanne Martie
Children's Church: Braymiller
Coffee Hour:
Barb Nowland & Bobby Gentry

**What is Lent?**

Lent is a period of prayer and reflection that begins on Ash Wednesday, which is February 26th this year, and ends on Easter Sunday, April 12th. Lent is a holy season of preparation for the church. During Lent, we follow Jesus on the road toward Jerusalem and his death on the cross for our sake. Lent recognizes that life is full of temptations and that we too often succumb to sin and distance ourselves from God’s will. In Lent, God calls us to a time of simplicity where we focus our attention on God’s voice. Jesus himself spent forty days in the wilderness so that he could more clearly discern God’s direction for his life.

**Lenten Devotionals**

Copies of “Living the Gospel Life,” with daily devotions for Lent, are available in the Gathering Space.

**Vital Signs**

March 8 ............................................. $4,112.00
March Total .................................. $12,411.00
Gardner-Webb Concert ..................... $467.25
Pennies for Hunger .......................... $81.12

**Attendance**

March 8 .............................................126
March 8 (Gardner-Webb Concert)......... 91
March 11 (Lenten Service) .................. 40
Covid-19 Virus Protections at OBPC

As a result of concerns voiced by several members of the Congregation and recommendations from the Presbytery of New Hope regarding the Coronavirus (Covid – 19 Virus) and the current flu season, Dr. Moore created a task force to develop preparedness steps our church could take. The task force, composed of Nonie Booth, Judy Whittle, Gary McGee, and Rev. Dr. Moore, met on March 10, 2020 and presents the following recommendations, which are consistent with recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control, the State of Emergency declared in North Carolina by Governor Roy Cooper, and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.

Here are some steps we can take immediately. The task force will re-evaluate recommendations as conditions change.

- **Members and friends who are sick are encouraged to stay home and stay away from others, seeking medical care if needed.** Everyone is encouraged when they cough to cough into a disposable tissue or into your elbow and not into your hands. People are also encouraged not to touch your face, eyes, mouth, or nose. All of us are encouraged to wash hands often with soap and water, turn off the faucet with paper towels, and use alcohol-based hand sanitizers if hand washing is not available.

- **Members, friends, and others who are sick are encouraged to watch Worship Services online as our Services are now live-streamed.**

- **We are discouraging physical contact like handshakes or hugs at any time at church and are encouraging waves, peace signs, or hand over heart.** Dr. Moore will announce this from the Pulpit.

- **Friendship pads will be removed from the Sanctuary and replaced by friendship cards, which visitors will be asked to complete and place in collection plates.** Members and regular attendees will not need to complete cards.

- **Offering plates will be placed at Sanctuary exit doors for deposit of gifts and friendship cards.** The ushers will be asked to staff each collection plate. The Elder of the Month will extend the invitation to give, advise of this collection process, and give the Prayer of Dedication. Persons unable to attend Worship Services may make Pledge payments or make financial gifts online at the church’s website or mail checks to the church office.

- **The serving of Communion will be modified, but the task force will re-evaluate the circumstance after several weeks.** There will be no Communion Service on Palm Sunday and Communion will be served at the Maundy Thursday worship service. Dr. Moore will be the only person to use a Chalice. Worshipers will, in the meantime, be served juice from small disposable cups. Bread will be pre-cut and served on pewter plates to be purchased.

- **There will be coffee and lemonade only served after worship services.** No food will be served. It is requested that pre-made lemonade in containers be purchased at grocery stores.

- **The Youth Pancake Brunch planned for Sunday, March 15, 2020, has been postponed. Lenten lunches will proceed.** After Lent, the church will discourage service of food at the church.

- **Dr. Moore will limit his visitations to rest homes, retirement centers, and the like.** He will not visit persons who are sick at home. Instead, he will make phone calls, and visit only in the direst of circumstances. In-home Communion service will be suspended immediately.

- **As far as it is practical and possible, church committees and the Session will be encouraged to utilize electronic or telephone meetings.**

- **Hand sanitizer bottles will be placed throughout the church.** Use them.

- **The Sexton will be directed to use Clorox wipes or equivalent on surfaces and door handles at each cleaning.**
Welcome to the Outer Banks Presbyterian Church. Our Church exists to worship God in Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament; to join others to know the joy of God’s forgiveness in Jesus Christ; to grow under the Lordship of Christ and to serve Christ’s world in His name. We invite you to share with us our trust in Jesus Christ and to join us as we strive to:
- Grow and strengthen our FAITH,
- Love and support our FAMILY,
- Reach out to our FRIENDS in need.

We encourage you to read “Sue’s Story,” the inspiration behind these goals in its entirety, on our website, on a brochure in the Gathering Space or on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. We hope you will be inspired as we have been.

At OBPC, we recognize all of our visitors as God’s children, united as brothers and sisters in Christ. We hope our service inspires you and strengthens your faith. We hope you will join us again in celebration and worship to God. If you are interested in becoming a member or would like to know more about our church or any of our programs, please contact us!

The Stated Session
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