

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 2, 2017

8:15 A.M. — 10:30 A.M.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Good morning! We wish God's grace and peace to you as we worship this morning. During the welcome, please sign the registration pads. If you are a first time visitor, we welcome you this morning and pray you have a meaningful worship time with us. (CCLI 1765953)

***Let us join together in professing the Christian faith, as contained in the Old and New Testaments. Do you entrust your life to God the Father?...  
Do you entrust your life to Jesus Christ?...  
Do you entrust your life to the Holy Spirit?***

### GATHERING MUSIC

8:15 – Joyce Cooper / 10:30 – Tony Merry

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

### CELEBRATION THROUGH PRAISE

*OPENING PRAISE	467	“Trust and Obey”
	261	“Lord of the Dance”

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (10:30 a.m.) Cindy Lawyer  
(Children will go downstairs for KidsOwnWorship)

Do you entrust your life to God the Father?  
**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**  
Do you entrust your life to Jesus Christ?  
**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**  
Do you entrust your life to the Holy Spirit?  
**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.**

### CELEBRATION THROUGH GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE John 11:1-15; 20-27; 31-35; 38-45 (Translated by T. Burton-Edwards)  
Reader 1 – Narrator Pastor Mark Chow  
Now a certain man fell ill. Lazarus, from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister, Martha. This was the Mary who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother, Lazarus, was ill. So the sisters sent to Jesus, saying:  
Women – (Mary and Martha)  
**Lord, the friend you love is ill.**  
Reader 1 –  
When Jesus heard it, he said:

Reader 2 – Jesus Coty Brown  
This illness doesn't end in death, but in the glory of God, so the son of God may be glorified through it.

Reader 1 –  
Now, Jesus loved Martha and here sister and Lazarus. Still, when he heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed where he was two days more. Then, after that, he said to his disciples:

Reader 2 –  
Let's go to Judea again.  
Men – (Disciples)  
**Rabbi, people in Judea want to stone us and you're taking us there again?**

Reader 2 –  
Aren't there twelve hours of daylight? If people walk in the daylight, they don't stumble because they see the light of this world. But if they go walking at night, they do stumble, because there is no light in them.

*Silence*  
Lazarus, our friend, has fallen asleep. But I'm heading there to waken him!

Men –  
**Lord, if he's asleep, he's going to be safe.**

Reader 2 –  
Lazarus is dead. And I'm happy for your sake that I wasn't there. This way, you might believe. So let's go to him!

Reader 1 –  
When Martha heard that Jesus was arriving, she went to greet him. Mary sat in the house.  
Women –

**Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. Yet I know that whatever you ask God, God will give you.**

Reader 2 –  
Your brother will rise again.

Women –  
**I know he will be raised at the resurrection on the last day.**

Reader 2 –  
I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever entrusts their life to me, even though they should die, yet they will live. And everyone who is alive and entrusts their life to me shall not die in the age to come. Do you believe this?

Women –  
**Yes, Lord, I have believed that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the One who is coming into the world.**

Reader 1 –  
There were several religious leaders with Mary in the house, comforting her. They saw Mary get up and go out and they followed her, assuming she was heading to the tomb to bewail there. But when Mary got to where Jesus was, she saw him and fell at his feet, saying:

Women –  
**Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.**

When Jesus saw her bewailing, and the religious leaders who had come with her also bewailing, he groaned in his spirit. He was stirred up.

Reader 2 –

Where have you laid him?

Men –

**Sir, come and see.**

Reader 1 –

Jesus teared up and began to weep. So again, groaning inwardly, Jesus goes to the tomb.

A cave was there and a stone lay upon it.

Reader 2 –

Lift away the stone.

Reader 1 –

Martha, sister of the dead man, said to him:

Women – .

**Lord, already he smells bad. It's been four days.**

Reader 2 –

Did I not say to you that is you believed you would see the glory of God?

Reader 1 –

So they rolled away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said:

Reader 2 –

Father, I thank you that you have heard me. Indeed, I have always known you hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing around so they might believe you have sent me. Lazarus, come out!

Reader 1 –

The dead man came out, bound hand and foot with strips of cloth and his face was wrapped with a cloth.

Reader 2 –

Unbind him and let him go.

*Silence*

MESSAGE

Pastor Mark Chow

**BELIEVE!**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Coty Brown

Professing the faith of the whole church, we thank you for the wonders of your creation on land and water, in sky and outer space, and in the lives of plants, animals, and people; and we pray for the unbinding of all from whatever restrains them from realizing the creative potential you have given:

**For all people kept in poverty or slavery,  
for all who are in fear from abusers, terrorists, and oppressors,  
for all who face addiction of any kind,  
and for all who are targeted for unjust treatment because of who they are;**

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Entrusting our lives to Jesus Christ, we seek resurrection and life for every person, and we pray:

**For leaders in religious, political, economic and social life; and for all who work to sustain and protect our lives as military, civilian workers, and first responders;**

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Placing ourselves at the disposal of the Holy Spirit, we go where the Spirit blows as witnesses of your love and power to heal, Triune God, and we pray:

**with families, friends, and neighbors,  
near and far, like us and different from us; with all who need your healing power, for all who offer healing through their skill and presence; and for all whom we have harmed by our action or inaction;**

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Pastor –

Receive the prayers of your people, Triune God. In your compassion, forgive our sins and drive us to lives of faithful service as we continue to profess our faith and entrust our lives into your keeping; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*Silence*

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**

**Glory to God! Amen!**

**CELEBRATION THROUGH OUR GIFTS**

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Agnus Dei”

H. Willan

**CELEBRATION THROUGH THE SACRAMENT**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Th Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your eyes.

**We see our deliverer coming!**

Bless the Lord!

**God's holy name be praised!**

Praised in heaven, praised in earth, praised throughout your creation is your name, Holy Triune God. The trees of the field rejoice in your salvation,

**and clap their hands.**

The stars shine out your glory,

**and the earth trembles at your presence.**

Wind and waters scatter at the sound of your voice,

**and we, with all creation, cry “Holy!”**

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest!**

Blessed is the One who comes in your name!

**Hosanna in the highest!**

Blessed are you, Jesus Christ, Way and Truth, Resurrection and Life.  
 Calling disciples and making friends among us, you ask us to believe to entrust our lives to you,  
 God's first-begotten, that we, with you, may rise in the midst of this mortal life and in the age  
 to come.  
 Vanquisher of death, Giver of life, thank you for coming among us and for offering yourself to us in  
 this holy meal to lift every barrier, call us out from every tomb, and set us free from all that  
 binds us.

With your first disciples, on the night of your betrayal into death, you took bread, blessed it,  
 broke it, and gave it, saying:

**Take and eat this, my body given for you.**

And you took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it, saying:

**Drink this, my blood of the new covenant for you.**

Come upon these gifts and upon us.

Make them be for us Christ's body and blood, that we who receive them may be for all the body  
 of Christ made alive by his blood.

Come, Holy Spirit.

**Make us one.**

Come, Holy Spirit,

**Unite us with you.**

Come, Holy Spirit.

**Revive us!**

Make us whole and holy on this day, we we await that day when we shall feast with Christ  
 in the new creation.

To Christ, to you, and to the All-Merciful Creator, One God, Living and true, be all praise and  
 honor, and glory now and forever.

**Amen.**

**BREAKING THE BREAD**

**GIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP**

*(The Sacrament of Communion will be received by intinction this morning. You may come  
 down the center aisles and receive a piece of bread, dip it in the cup, and return to your seat by the  
 outside aisles. For those wishing to receive the elements in the pews, simply remain seated and  
 the communion stewards will come to you.)*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Jesus, thank you! You have fed us with yourself, restoring our lives and enlivening our faith  
 by your presence. You are the resurrection and the life! In the power of the Holy Spirit, send  
 us forth, unbound in body, mind, and spirit, to proclaim our faith in your Triune being and  
 infinite love, wherever we go. Amen.**

**GOING FORTH TO CELEBRATE**

\*CLOSING HYMN 714 "I Know Whom I Have Believed"

\*SENDING FORTH

Go into a world filled with death and mourning.

**We entrust our lives to Jesus Christ, the Resurrection and the Life.**

Go into homes, schools, workplaces, and communities.

**We entrust our lives to God, Almighty Creator.**

Go into places of judgment and fear.

**We entrust our lives to the Holy Spirit, who shows us the truth and empowers us.**

Go then, with the blessing of the Triune God.

**We go to live our baptismal calling. Amen.**

POSTLUDE

"Jesus I Will Ponder Now"

J. S. Bach

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**THE ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY** are given in memory of Jack Fenton and Steve Fenton by their  
 family.

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY -- Sunday School – 22

Worship – 27, 130

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

April 2 Micah Beach, Drew Powelson, John Straker, Ann Taylor

April 3 Chandler Burkhart, Noelle Flarey, Kensie Mock, Carson Thompson, Brett West

April 5 Kevin Friel, Jensen Israel, Paige Murrey, Beth Upton, Elizabeth Wood

April 7 Jordan Flarey

April 8 Denver Barr, Dean Cole

**THIS WEEK AT GRACE**

Sunday, April 2	6:00 p.m.	Lenten Service – First UMC [857 Putnam Ave.]
Monday, April 3	6:30 p.m.	Grief Share – Parlor
Tuesday, April 4	6:00 p.m.	Outreach Committee – Fellowship Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Yoga
Wednesday, April 5	11:30 a.m.	OWLS – Fellowship Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Bell Choir
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir
Thursday, April 6	6:30 p.m.	Book Study – Classroom
Friday, April 7	6:30 a.m.	Bible Study – Parlor
Saturday, April 8		
Sunday, April 9	8:15 a.m.	Early Service – Fellowship Hall
	9:00-10:15	Fellowship Time – Fellowship Hall
	9:15-10:15	Sunday School all ages
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	6:00 p.m.	Lenten Service – Rolling Plains UMC

**VISION STATEMENT for Grace Church**

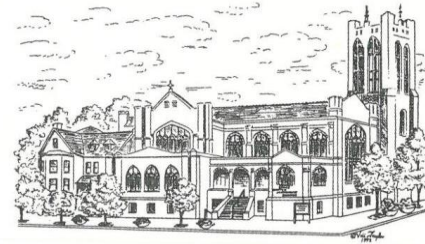
GRACE WILL Gather to worship God — Grow spiritually — Go serve and make disciples

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Thanks to Our Worship Leaders This Morning

Hospitality Team – Dana & Cindi Swope, Cindy Lawyer

Elevator Attendants –

Organist [10:30] – Tony Merry

Pianist [8:15] – Joyce Cooper

Liturgist – Coty Brown

Communion Steward – Janet Hill

Children's Ministry – Julie McAllister, Cindy Lawyer, Dana Swope, Sarah Burris

Sound Technician – Craig Hill

***FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT: LIVING OUR BAPTISMAL CALLING***

The season of Lent is a time of reflection, self-examination and penitence. During this Holy Season, we will explore the vows of our baptismal covenant. This morning we focus on the creed within these vows. *“Do you believe...”* We learn from Jesus' encounter with Mary, Martha, and Lazarus.

**EASTER LILIES**

The Easter lilies will be ordered through the church office. The cost is \$10.00 each. If you wish to order a lily / lilies, please complete this form and return to the church by placing in the offering plate or mailing. The deadline for placing orders with payment is Sunday, **April 9**. You are encouraged to pick up your lily following the 10:30 a.m. Easter service.

\_\_\_\_\_ number of lilies \_\_\_\_\_ will pick up the next week

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

**TONIGHT – 6:00 p.m. – First UMC [857 Putnam Ave.] will HOST** the Community Lenten Service. Rev. Steve Judson, Rev. Jerry Sutton, Tom Swan, and others will lead us in a dramatic presentation.

**NEXT Sunday, April 9 – 6:00 p.m.** - Community Lenten Service at Rolling Plains UMC [3350 Moxahala Park Rd.] They will present an Easter Cantata.

**LOOKING AHEAD – April 23** – A Women's Event – *Spring Into Health Gracefully* – immediately following the 10:30 service. Reservations to Becky Woods – 740-683-4529 or [rwoods262@yahoo.com](mailto:rwoods262@yahoo.com) by April 17.