

Today's ushers are Jacob Gober, Tracy Collins, Rodney Workman, and Jared Gober. Ushers for March are Owen Parker, Todd Jones, Andrew Jones, and Braden Jones. **Today's counting team** is Owen Parker, Tim Cook, and Ed Estridge. Counters for March are Todd Jones, Rodney Workman, and Owen Parker. **Today's security walk** is Glenn Benton. Security walk for next Sunday is Tim Cook. **Extended session workers** for today are Kay Eudy and Carolyn Jones (birth- one) and Clare and Brandon Ferguson (2's – 3's). Workers for next Sunday are Judy Morgan and Susan Gettis (birth- one) and Janet Furr (2's – 3's). This week's **Wednesday evening nursery worker** is Janet Furr. Worker for next Wednesday is Jan Tyson.

Stewardship report for Sunday, February 19, 2017

Our Time and Talents: Sunday School: 77 (74 members, 3 visitors); Worship: 121
Our Financial Resources: Budget Offering: \$3,871.00 (required weekly \$5,112.38)
 Heck-Jones Offering: \$285.00; Senior Fund: \$25.00

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Sunday, February 19

- 8:00 a.m. Praise Team
- 9:00 a.m. Adult Choir
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- 2:00 p.m. Praise Team

Wednesday, March 1

- 10:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Fellowship Meal (reservations required);
- 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service; Mission Organizations
- 7:45 p.m. Adult Choir

Thursday, March 2

- 6:00 a.m. Thursday Morning Prayer Group (conference room)
- 8:30 a.m. United Breakfast Group (Sunrise Restaurant, Locust)

Saturday, March 4

- 3:30 p.m. Youth Middle School Bowling and Dinner

Church Staff:

Rev. Marvin Tyson, Pastor – revtyson@ctc.net
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The Worship of God

February 26, 2017

Opportunities for Ministry		Rev. Tyson
Prelude		Tammy Lambert
Welcome		Rev. Tyson
Invocation		Ed Estridge
The Lord's Prayer (to be prayed by all)		
Children's Time		Tammy Melton
Call to Worship No. 12		<i>Great Is the Lord</i>
Offertory Prayer		Rev. Tyson
Worship Through the Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings		
Offertory Music	<i>Have Your Way in Us</i>	ULBC Choir
The Dedication of His Tithes and Our Offerings		<i>The Doxology</i>
Praise and Worship	<i>Love the Lord / Good Good Father</i>	Praise Team/Congregation
Special Music		<i>King of the World</i>
	Crystal Almond and Edie-Jo Mabrey	
Scripture Reading		Matthew 13:1-9 NKJV
Sermon	Getting Your Ground Ready	Rev. Tyson
Hymn of Response No. 275		<i>I Surrender All</i>
Benediction		Rev. Tyson
Postlude	<i>Great Is the Lord</i>	Joan Hughes

We extend our welcome and Christ's love to all who gather for worship today. We are glad you're here! If you are visiting with us today, would like more information about our church, and/or have a special prayer request, please take a few moments to complete one of the welcome cards located in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate. If you would like to use a **hearing assisted device**, please see the sound system operator. **Activity bags** are available for children up to first grade. Activity bags and contents are to be returned at the end of the service.

Please remember in your prayers the following military personnel within our church families: Matthew Earley (John and Mary Earley's son), Zach Graves (Tammy Ward's nephew), John Simmons (Doris Carpenter's grandson) John Brubaker (John Brubaker's son), James Williams (Jeff and Sheila Williams' son), Daniel Anselmo, Caitlyn Lawrence, Josh Kirkland (Patsy Montague's nephew) **Prayer Concerns:** our nation and leadership, our military personnel and families, Doug Flowe (Royal Park of Matthews), Ann Stikeleather (Lake Park, Indian Trail), Brad Little (Kevin Little's brother), Barbara Robbins, Dick Hoff (friend of the Robbins family), Polly Mullis, Tiffany Earley (Jack and Shirley Earley's granddaughter), Jim Turner (friend of the Montague family), Ashley Brafford, Sue Deese, Debbie Mullis, Henry and Yvonne Furr (friends of the Haigler family), Bud Williams, Lois Hoggard, Rev. Tyson

Caswell 2017: July 24 – July 29 – Cost for the week is \$356.00 per person. A **non-refundable deposit** of \$210.50 is due in the church office by Sunday, March 12. Please contact Tammy Melton for more information.

The menu for this week's **Wednesday fellowship meal** is chicken sandwiches with lettuce and tomato, fruit, chips, assorted desserts, tea, lemonade, and coffee.

Reservations are required for the fellowship meal. Reservations may be made by using the cards located on the tables throughout our buildings or by calling/emailing the church office. Monday at noon is the **weekly deadline** for all reservation additions and/or cancellations.

Women's Wednesday Bible study, *Seamless*, concludes this Wednesday. They will begin a new study, *Me, Myself, and Lies* by Jennifer Rothschild on Wednesday, March 22. Cost is \$13.00 for the workbook. Please contact Patsy Montague if you plan to participant.

Ash Wednesday service will be held Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Youth Middle School dinner and bowling – this Saturday. They will leave from the church at 3:30 p.m. to go to Carolina Lanes in Matthews to enjoy unlimited bowling from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. and go to dinner afterwards. They will return to the church between 7:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Approximate cost is \$25.00 per person which includes bowling, shoes and dinner. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Tammy Melton.

The **GO Club** will celebrate St. Patrick's Day with an outing on Friday, March 10 to Captain Steve's, Harrisburg. Meet at the church at 11:00 a.m. to car pool or at the restaurant at 11:30 a.m. Wear green and join them for this time of fellowship.

The **GO Club** will be going to Narrowway Productions on Saturday, April 15 for the noon presentation of The 4th Cross. There are 6 tickets still available. Tickets are \$32.00 per person which includes the meal and play. If you are interested, please contact Sara Margaret McManus or Eudenia Hilton.

Deacons will meet Monday, March 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room.

Youth High School lock-in with a purpose – Saturday, March 18 – Sunday, March 19. On Saturday, they plan to go to dinner and experience the Escape Risk in Matthews. Sunday morning, they will be serving breakfast to the homeless through Church on the Streets, a ministry of Christ Covenant, Matthews. After a fast food breakfast, they will return to ULBC for Sunday school and worship. Please see Tammy Melton for all the details.