



# Greene Street United Methodist Church



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## First Sunday in Lent

**February 22, 2015**

**Liturgical Color: Purple**

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Opening Music

Welcome and Announcements (10 Minutes before the hour)

Chimes (on the Hour)

Hymn of Fellowship

"Great Is the Lord"  
After Singing Greet Those around You

No. 2022

Centering Prayer

\*Hymn of Praise:

"Come Thou Almighty King"

No. 61

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us Pray.

### Congregational Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

During our prayer time, the worship leader will allow a few moments so that names may be lifted from the congregation. After the name is lifted, the leader will say, "Lord, in your mercy," and you are invited to respond by saying, "Hear our prayer".

### Congregational Prayer Chorus

*Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;  
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.*

Anthem

Chancel Choir

Prayer of Illumination

"Open Our Ears"

No. 2086

### Serving God By Our Service, Our Prayers, Our Presence, Our Gifts, And Our Witness.

#### OUR SERVICE

Ministers: All the Congregation  
Pastor: Rev. David Anderson  
Secretary: Detra Pennington  
Director of Music: Julie Dinkins  
Trustee: Stuart West  
Greeters: Frank Hollis and Henry Heise  
PPRC Rep: Don Sullivan  
Nursery: Stephanie Crowe  
Reader: Matt Figger

#### OUR PRESENCE

Attendance on 2/15/15  
Sunday school...24  
Worship....38

#### OUR GIFTS

From 2/15/15  
Budget receipts last week  
**\$1,163.13**

#### BY OUR PRAYERS

Craig Norton	Mallory Lucas	Margaret Latimer	Curtis Drake	Mac McLendon
Kim Gordon	Dylan Wood	Ginny Herring	Katie Rhodes	David Baker
Randy Broach	Kimberly Price	Sara Duncan	Marilyn Biernaski	Phyllis Knowles
Kay Strickland	Diane McDougall	Christi S. Corley	Mable Norton	Temmy McLendon
Merita Sexton Koenig	Bobby Price, Sr	Bobby Price, Jr.	Glenn Higgins	Mae Blume

#### The Nursing Home & Rehab

Jerry Kittrell@Robin's Residential Care Sara Jane Hoffmann@Uni Health Post Acute Care- PH # 382-2385

#### OUR WITNESS

##### This Week at Greene Street

##### Sunday, February 22, 2015

9:15 am—Gathering  
9:45 am—Sunday School  
11:00 am—Worship Service

##### Wednesday, February 25, 2015

11:00 am Sparkplugs  
6:00 pm—Bible Study  
7:00 pm—Choir Practice

#### OUR WITNESS

##### Next Week at Greene Street

##### Sunday, March 1, 2015

9:15 am—Gathering  
9:45 am—Sunday School  
11:00 am—Worship Service

##### Wednesday, March 4, 2015

6:00 pm—Bible Study  
7:00 pm—Choir Practice

#### OFFICE INFORMATION

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Closed on Fridays



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## First Sunday in Lent

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Old Testament Lesson:		Genesis 9:8-17
Psalter Lesson:	Psalm 25:1-10	UM756
Epistle Lesson		I Peter 3:18-22
Time with the Children		Pastor Anderson
*Hymn of Preparation	“When Jesus Came to Jordan”	No. 252
Gospel Lesson		Mark 1:9-15
Morning Message	"The Spirit Drove Jesus Into The Wilderness"	Pastor Anderson
*Affirmation of Faith	“Apostle’s Creed”	No. 881
Offering God’s Tithes, Ourselves’ and our Gifts		
*The Doxology		No. 95
	<p><i>Praise God, from whom all blessings flow:          praise Him all creatures here below, :          praise him above ye heavenly hosts:          Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.          Amen.</i></p>	
*Hymn of Dedication	“More Like You”	No. 2167
Benediction:		
Musical Benediction Response:	“On Eagle’s Wings”	No. 143
	<p><i>And God will raise you up on Eagle’s wings,          bear you on the breath of dawn,          make you to shine like the sun,          and hold you in the palm of God’s hand..</i></p>	

**\*Postlude**

**\*You are invited to stand if you are able.**

**\*\**(The altar is always available for you to come and to spend some time in prayer with God during the closing song.)***

**From David’s Desk:**

As we move into this season of Lent, I am reminded of a friend that always gave up eating beets for Lent. This person never ate beets in the first place so I guess his self-denial amounts to little self-sacrifice to make him closer to God.

Someone asked me about fasting the other Sunday. And I really don’t remember what I told that person. I know the purpose of fasting to sacrifice something to move closer to God.

There are numerous mentions of fasting in the Bible. Jesus and his disciples fasted, the children of Israel fasted, and the early church fasted in the Book of Acts.

A friend of mine, George Donigian writes that there were three primary reasons that the Israelites and the peoples of Biblical Times fasted. These are: (1) forgiveness and reconciliation with God and others; (2) grief; and (3) in preparation for deep religious experiences. These are very good reasons for fasting.

I think too often we think the world and perhaps our culture is too far gone for a turnaround. We think that what we do does not matter in the scheme of things. This is the easy way out of things. When we think like this we become apathetic.

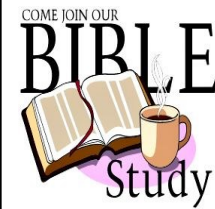
I challenge you this Lenten Season to fast from your attitude of Apathy. What you do can make a difference. We are God’s People of the here and now. What we do is to build the Kingdom of God. Do not let apathy hold you or God’s church back. We do not have to move at “Glacial Speed” we need to be quick and smart for the Kingdom of God.

So kick apathy out of your attitude this Lenten Season!

**In the Grip of God’s Grace,  
 Pastor David+**



February 24 - Barbara D. Askins  
 February 25—Dennis Doris  
 February 28—Hunter Herring



COME JOIN OUR  
**BIBLE** Bible Study every Wednesday at 6:00 pm.  
 “Revelation and the End Times: Unraveling God’s Message of Hope”  
 by Ben Witherington.

**You Are Invited!**

You are invited to a Baby shower honoring Brittany Bierman on Saturday, March 7th at 11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall at Greene Street UMC. Brittany is Registered at Target & Amazon



Our Sympathy and prayers are extended to Marie Hollis in the death of her sister, Louise Stacey of Illinois. Jesus said, “Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.” John 14:1-2



Thank you to everyone that helped with the Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper and with The Ashes-to-Go.