



Greene Street United Methodist Church



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To all who are weary and need rest; To all who are burdened and need relief; To all who are lonely and need friends; To all who are looking for something that only God can provide; To all who sin and need a Savior; To whosoever will come, this church opens its doors, and in the

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

OUR SERVICE		OUR PRESENCE
Ministers:	All the Congregation	Attendance on 3/8/15
Pastor:	Rev. David Anderson	Sunday school...25
Secretary:	Detra Pennington	Worship....42
Director of Music:	Julie Dinkins	
Trustee:	JM Briquet	
Greeters:	Mae Blume and Marilyn Biernaski	
PPRC Rep:		OUR GIFTS
Nursery:	Volunteer Needed	From 3/8/15
Reader:	Ginny Herring	Budget receipts last week
		\$2,215.00

BY OUR PRAYERS				
Craig Norton	Mallory Lucas	Margaret Latimer	Curtis Drake	Mac McLendon
Kim Gordon	Dylan Wood	Ginny Herring	Katie Rhodes	David Baker
	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	OUR WITNESS Next Week at Greene Street
4th in Lent Sunday, March 15, 2015 9:15 am—Gathering 9:45 am—Sunday School 11:00 am—Worship Service Admin. Council meeting after morning service	5th in Lent Sunday, March 22, 2015 9:15 am—Gathering 9:45 am—Sunday School 11:00 am—Worship Service
Wednesday, March 18, 2015 11:00 am—Sparkplugs 6:00 pm—Bible Study 7:00 pm—Choir Practice	Wednesday, March 22, 2015 6:00 pm—Bible Study 7:00 pm—Choir Practice

OFFICE INFORMATION 1106 Greene Street Columbia, SC 29201 Office Hours—Tuesday-Thursday 7am-12pm Closed on Fridays	Pastor's Cell 960-3882 Church 799-6268 Office Hours—Tuesday-Thursday 7am-12pm Closed on Fridays	 Follow us on Facebook & Twitter @Greenestreetumc
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Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2015

Liturgical Color: Purple

Opening Music

Welcome and Announcements (10 Minutes before the hour)

Chimes (on the Hour)

Hymn of Fellowship "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" No. 2088
After Singing Greet Those around You

Centering Prayer

*Hymn of Praise: "Shout to the North" No. 3042
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

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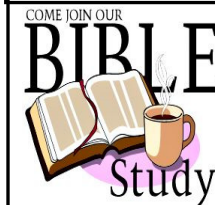
Old Testament Lesson:		Numbers 21:4-9
Psalter Lesson:	Psalm 107:1-9, 33-43	UM830
Epistle Lesson		Ephesians 2:1-10
Time with the Children		Pastor Anderson
*Hymn of Preparation	“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”	No. 381
Gospel Lesson		John 3:14-21
Morning Message	“Not To Condemn the World”	Pastor Anderson
*Affirmation of Faith	“Apostle’s Creed”	No. 881
Offering God’s Tithes, Ourselves’ and our Gifts		
*The Doxology		No. 95
	<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>	
*Hymn of Dedication	“Amazing Grace”	No. 378
Benediction:		
Musical Benediction Response:	“On Eagle’s Wings” <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>	No. 143
*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.)		

March 15, 2015

From David’s Desk:
Within today’s Lectionary Gospel Reading is one of the most quoted scriptures in the entire Bible. It is the famous John 3:16, which reads, “For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should have everlasting life.” It is by far the most popular verse in the entire scripture. If you Google that verse on the internet you get 74.4 million hits. That is rather amazing.
The meaning of that verse is one that will always speak to everyone whether they are religious or not. The sacrificial giving of the Son of God for the salvation of humankind is remarkable.
I find it kind of interesting that Jesus followed that verse with a statement of purpose or mission statement of sorts. For you see verse 17 has a powerful meaning also. It simply reads, “For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved.” Wow that has even more promise.
There are far less Google hits on this verse but I would suggest that we should not have one of these verses without the other. This conversation with Nicodemus, a Pharisee, was a major teaching point for Nicodemus. For you see he was never the same. In fact, we see a changed Nicodemus in the scripture dealing with the arrest and crucifixion of Jesus.
So let us be aware during this season of Lent that God sacrificed his Son to save the world not to condemn the world.
**In the grip of His Grace,
 Pastor David+**



March 15—Gabriel Barrera
 March 16—Debra Smith
 March 16—Sabrina Barrett
 March 17—Jerry Turnipseed
 March 20—Haylee James
 March 21—Jessica Slapnik



COME JOIN OUR
BIBLE
 Study
 Bible Study will meet
 Wednesday at 6:00 pm.
 Our Lenten Study will be
 based on “A World Worth
 Saving” by George
 Donigian

Upcoming Dates.....

Palm Sunday —Sunday, March 29, 2015
 Maundy Thursday—Thursday, April 2, 2015
 Good Friday.....Friday, April 3, 2015
 Easter Sunday—Sunday, April 5, 2015

