

**TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

*“4th Sunday in Lent”*

**March 14, 2010**

<b>MINISTERS</b>	<b>All Members</b>
<b>PASTOR</b>	<b>Rev. Eric Williams</b>
<b>READER OF THE DAY</b>	<b>Betty Geer</b>
<b><u>CHOIR DIRECTOR / MUSICIAN</u></b>	<b><u>Joyce Blackburn</u></b>

**“EXPECT A MIRACLE”**

**PRELUDE**

<b>Leader: “God is good”,</b>	<b>People: “All the time”</b>
<b>Leader: “All the time”,</b>	<b>People: “God is good”</b>

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** **Betty Geer**

**\*OPENING HYMN #89** **Congregation**  
*“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”*

**\*OPENING PRAYER** **Congregation**

**SHARING MOMENTS WITH THE CHILDREN** **Rev. Eric**

**PRAISE AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** **Rev. Eric**  
(A quiet time of sharing with others the names of family and friends  
who need to be lifted to our Heavenly Father during this time of prayer.)

**CALL TO PRAYER #496** **Congregation**  
*“Sweet Hour of Prayer”*

**PASTORAL PRAYER; LORD’S PRAYER (Unison)** **All**

“Our Father which 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever.” **AMEN.**

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION** **Betty Geer**

**OFFERTORY**

**\*THE DOXOLOGY #95** **All**

“Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, Ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.”

**SCRIPTURE:** **Rev. Eric**  
**Matthew 18:21-35 - Pew Bible Page #1527, 1528**

**MESSAGE OF THE DAY** **Rev. Eric**  
***“Pass It On”***

**DRAMATIC READING**

**HYMN OF RESPONSE #378** **Congregation**  
***“Amazing Grace”***  
***(Vs. 1, 2, 4, 6)***

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING  
FOR EARLY IN LENT***

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. You brought all things into being and called them good. From the dust of the earth you formed us into your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. When rain fell upon the earth for forty days and forty nights, you bore up the ark on the waters, saved Noah and his family, and made covenant with every living creature on earth. When you led your people to Mount Sinai for forty days and forty nights you gave us your commandments and made us your covenant people. When your people forsook your covenant, your prophet Elijah fasted for forty days and forty nights; and on your holy mountain, he heard your still small voice. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. When you gave him to save us from our sin, your Spirit led him into the wilderness, where he fasted forty days and forty nights to prepare for his ministry.

When he suffered and died on a cross for our sin, you raised him to life, presented him alive to the apostles during forty days, and exalted him at your right hand.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. Now, when we your people prepare for the yearly feast of Easter, you lead us to repentance for sin and the cleansing of our hearts, that during these forty days of Lent we may be gifted and graced to reaffirm the covenant you made with us through Christ.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty act in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving, as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

### ***GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP***

**\*CLOSING HYMN #133**

**“Leaning On The Everlasting Arms”**

**Congregation**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**Rev. Eric**

**POSTLUDE**

(\*Denotes Standing for those that care to and those who are able)

“**SALTY SERVICE CARDS**” are located in each pew. Take a moment to read, (front and back), if you have joined Jesus as a “Salty Servant” last week, place a card, (unsigned) in the offering plate. The cards are counted each Sunday and reported monthly to the Conference. Thanks!

“March/April” Upper Room Devotional Booklets (available in the Narthex.)

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### **OUR SCHEDULE COMING UP:**

Sunday,	Mar. 14 <sup>th</sup> ,	“Daylight Saving Time Begins” “ <i>One Great Hour of Sharing Special Offering</i> ” “ <i>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent</i> ” & “ <i>Communion Sunday</i> ” 9:15 am Sunday School 10:00 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Morning Worship
Monday,	Mar. 15 <sup>th</sup> ,	8:00 pm <i>AA / Fellowship Hall</i>
Wednesday,	Mar. 17 <sup>th</sup> ,	8:00 am – 4 pm / <i>Church Office Open</i> 8:00 pm <i>AA / Fellowship Hall</i>
Thursday,	Mar. 18 <sup>th</sup> ,	8:00 am – 4 pm / <i>Church Office Open</i>
Saturday,	Mar. 20 <sup>th</sup> ,	7 pm – 8 pm <i>AA / Fellowship Hall</i>
Sunday,	Mar. 21 <sup>st</sup> ,	“ <i>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent</i> ” & “ <i>Holy Communion</i> ” 9:15 am Sunday School 10:00 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Morning Worship <i>Ad Council meeting after church</i>

### **PAPER GROCERY BAGS “STILL NEEDED”:**

Our thanks to all who continue to bring in paper bags. “PLEASE”, keep bringing them in! Thank You!!

**“PRAYER CONCERNS”:**

**In your prayer time today, and during the week, please remember these loved ones and friends.**

Lisa Appling, Neta Appling, The Family of Jean Arnwine, Kelli Berg, Glenda Biddle, Katharen Billow, Ruth Black, Joyce Blackburn, Jonathan Calhoun, Wanda Carey, The Clower Family, Janice Cook, Vera Davis, The Deckers, The Family of Sam Dixon, Phillip Eddins, Pat & Melenda Edmiston:(Missionaries / Bible Translators), The Edmistons Co-Translator, “Jude” of Papua New Guinea, Barbara Frye & Family, The Fulghum Family, Betty Geer, Blayne Geer, Christen Geer, Jason Geer, Pat Geer, Richard Geer, Sheryl Geer, Janice Goldin, and Scott Gordon. Alice Hakes, Richard Hakes, Reggie Hall, Marilyn Hamilton, JoAnn Hardin, Pat Heaton, Orin Hendrick, Bob Highland, Debbie Hill, James Aaron Hill, Jr., Mercedia Hines, Timmy, Alyssa, & Nicholas Holden, Shawna Holzer, Joyce Howard, Thomas Howell, Dana & Mike Hughes, Leslie Huntley & Daughter. Mark Jeune, Norman Jeune, Stephen Jeune, Arlene Johnston, David Johnston, Ivan Johnston, Danny Jones, Nettie Jones, Beth Joyner, John Junker, Paula Knezha, and Norma Lipps.

Christopher Lopez, Marcie's Granddaughter, Harold Maready, Nancy Masser, Jessica & Hugh Mears, Iona Mears, The Millans, Cheryl Miller, Barbara Moritz, Debbie Murphy & Family, The Naples Family, Clarke New, James Only, Our Gov. Officials and Military, and Patty Owen. Pam Pattee, Tom Phillips, Cheryl Plunkett, Ron Robinson, Linda Rouse, Carol Rumsey, The Artists at Shake Rag Artists' Collective, John & Marian Sikes, Donna Shumaker, Olive Shupe, David Smith, Opal Smith, Roger Smith, Ken Stevic, Gail Stevens, Joe Stiles, Barbara Stiles, Jeff Suggs, Glenda's Dad Ron Thomaston, “Virginia”, “Wanda”, The Waynes, Grady Williamson, Jamie Willis, Jean Wirth, Paige Wolle, Charlotte Woodham, Marleen Wright.

**AD COUNCIL MEETING  
NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 21ST  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MORNING WORSHIP.**

**“ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING” OFFERING  
“TODAY”**

**Join with Methodist's everywhere by participating in this special offering that supports UMCOR's vital work. Be there. Be Hope.**

**MARCH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES “COMING UP”:**

Shirley Millan 17  
David Johnston 24  
Reggie Hall 25  
Stella Mays 31  
Carolyn Phillips 31

***Happy Birthday!***

**PLEASE REMEMBER OUR HAITIAN BROTHERS & SISTERS:**

If you can make a donation, please make your check payable to Trinity UMC, for: UMCOR Advance #418325. Up-dates and breaking news can be found at <http://www.umc.org/haiti>.

**FLORIDA UNITED METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME**

**INVITATION:**

**Come visit the Florida United Methodist Children's Home Saturday, March 20, 2010 for**

**DAY ON CAMPUS!**

**8:00 am Gates and Tour of Campus  
10:00 am Program in the Gymnasium  
12 noon Picnic Lunch under the Big Top,  
then Campus tours resume.**

***If you can come please call your reservations to Zoe  
@ 1-386-668-4774 ext. 2357***

**EASTER LILIES**

**We have been checking for prices with various stores regarding Easter Lilies. Many stores will not be selling them this year. We hope to have information regarding prices by next Sunday. Orders will have to be in no later than Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>.**

## **2010 CENSUS**

**Benefits of the census: As members of this faith-based community and the communities in which we live and work, we have a lot at stake going into the 2010 Census. Every year, the federal government distributes more than \$400 billion to state, local and tribal governments based on census data. Our organization can use the information to apply for grants and determine locations for new facilities. By completing and returning your census form, you also help guide funding decisions for our schools, hospitals and child-care centers, as well as affect our voice in Congress. The data collected are used to determine voting districts for all levels of city, state and nationally elected offices. Play a role in important decisions that government leaders will make in the next 10 years. Please complete and mail back your form and encourage your family, friends and neighbors to do the same. For more information, visit [2010census.gov](http://2010census.gov).**