

Jacksons Grove United Methodist Church of Vandrum

4TH SUNDAY IN LENT

9:30 AM

MARCH 11, 2018

PRELUDE Ms. Susan Davis, Pianist

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Mike Bowers, Pastor

INVOCATION Rev. Bowers

GATHERING HYMN *The Church in the Wildwood* Cokesbury # 121

HYMN *To God Be the Glory* UM Hymnal # 98

THE APOSTLES' CREED *Traditional version*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of Heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**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. Amen.**

** Universal*

RESPONSIVE READING *Psalms 107: 1-3, 17-22* UM Hymnal # 830

MORNING PRAYERS: Rev. Bowers

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH

OFFERTORY AND DOXOLOGY The Ushers and Congregation

HYMN *Surely the Presence (3 times)* UM Hymnal # 328

SCRIPTURE LESSON *Numbers 21:4-9 (p 134)* Rev. Bowers, Reader

Ephesians 2:1-10 (p 181)

GOSPEL READING *John 3: 14-21 (p 88)* Rev. Bowers, Reader

SERMON *It's Your Choice* Rev. Bowers

PARTING HYMN

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

Cokesbury # 258

BENEDICTION

Rev. Bowers

POSTLUDE

Ms. Davis

A cordial welcome is extended to all who visit with us today! It is a delight to be able to worship with you! Come back soon and often. If we can help you in any way, please let us know.

A warm "Thank You" to Susi Coghill and Paula Moore for hosting "**Munch and Mingle**" last Sunday.

The **flowers** on the altar today are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Sara Bravo-Valdez.



Join us for the last 3 weeks of the Lenten **Bible Study, The Gospel of Mark**. The meetings are on Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m., at the home of Pete and Zelda Howell (102 Skyuka Circle, Landrum). The only book you need to bring

is your *Bible*!

Days to Remember

Wednesdays at 10 am, Lenten *Bible Study*

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| March 25th | Palm Sunday, 9:30 a.m.
Last day to order Easter Lilies |
| March 30th | Good Friday Service, 12:00 noon |
| April 1st | Easter Sunday, 9:30 a.m. |



Ringers and Singers! If you are interested in ringing bells and/or singing some special songs on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday, please see Susan Davis immediately following today's service.

Down Home Music Afternoons If you sing and/or play an instrument and would like to share your musical offering sometime, contact Susan Davis. We are in the process of organizing some music afternoons for late spring and summer!

Got an idea? Need a suggestion? Want to get involved? Just want to talk? Facing a challenge? The person below is eager to listen!

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Easter Lily orders need to be completed by Sunday, March 25th. Please see the insert for details.

It's almost time for the next quarterly **Newsletter** to be issued so please submit your information to Susan Davis by the end of March.

Welcome to Jacksons Grove United Methodist Church of Landrum! Our ministry here dates from the 1830s, when the family of Captain Thomas Jackson, a Revolutionary War veteran, established the congregation and built a meetinghouse on the site where our current sanctuary now stands. Our sanctuary and grounds evoke a long history of worship and service. Virtually everything in the sanctuary was built by hand, by local artisans who carefully selected materials that have stood the test of time. Those who worship at Jacksons Grove are privileged to have such a unique place of worship and are committed to keeping this historic church building as authentic as possible. The fieldstone markers in the adjacent cemetery suggest that it was in use long before the earliest documented burial in 1859. It is our hope that this meetinghouse will remain a simple place of quiet dignity and beauty where people may worship God in spirit and truth for generations to come. Please pick up a brochure and visit our website for a more complete history of our delightful church building. We are delighted that your path has led you here and would like nothing more than for you to share in the journey as part of our community.

Flower Calendar, Newsletter, Bulletin Announcements?
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*For God so loved the world,
that he gave his only begotten Son,
that whosoever believeth in
him should not perish,
but have everlasting life.*

-John 3:16