

**BLUFF POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

4th Sunday in Lent

Pastor, Sandi Perl  
Aimee Perry, Choir Director

Elly Stempien, Organist  
Stacy Wyant, Liturgist

**WELCOME AND GREETING**  
**ORGAN PRELUDE**

**\*SONG OF PRAISE -**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Come now to God

**C: in whose presence each of us find the strength to be extraordinary**

L: the means to be rich, a position of importance no matter who we are

**C: or what we have; all flourish in the kingdom and achieve more than they ever dreamed. Amen**

**\*MORNING PRAYER**

Here, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. We come, dear Lord, to worship and praise you with all our heart, soul, mind and strength. In you we find the source of our being the foundation of love, and the wellspring of relationship. It is to you we turn this day, from the business of another week with all of its cares and concerns, joys and worries, successes and failing, for we give thanks that you journey with us, knowing us as loving parents knows their child.

Lord, we give thanks for those days when we make a difference, when we raise ourselves to the challenge of our Way, what we take the steps towards your ministry with all our heart, soul. Mind and strength. And yet, Lord, we also recognize that on other days we get it wrong, we make bad decisions, we think solely of ourselves, we neglect the harm we do to others, and we fail to contribute to your Kingdom. Amen.

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE - Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE -**

**CHILDRENS TIME**

**COMMUNION**

**CHORAL ANTHEM -**

**PRAYER TIME/PRAYER HYMN –**

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Psalm 89:1-4 (p 545), Mark 12: 28-44 (p 49)

**MESSAGE**

**\*OFFERTORY/DOXOLOGY/PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

May we, your people, worshipping together as community of faith, set ourselves apart, not that we see ourselves as better than others, nor that we think we are richer or more valuable than others, to walk in the way of Jesus, empowered by the Spirit of God. Souse us and these gifts we brig, and may we do so sacrificially out of our poverty, rather than thoughtlessly out of our wealth. Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN:**

**\*GOOD NEWS:**

Send us from this place, Lord, into your world to ask questions of our faith, to be enemies of fear, to show strength in our weakness, to share riches like the poor. And we all need to live on the love of Christ, in whose name we journey together. Amen

**SHARING GRACE DURING THE WEEK: :** Spend some time thinking and reflecting about how you spend your money. What do your habits say about who you are and your priorities? Are you overspending in some areas? Are you underspending in some areas? Do you think you have a balance in your outgoings? Our offering is in response to God's word to us. What does our offering say about us?

**POSTLUDE**

**FWS –Faith We Sing**

**UMH – United Methodist Hymnal**

Please join us for fellowship with our hosts

**SERVING THIS WEEK (3/6/16)**

Greeters: Ed and Sally Head  
Ushers: Joyce Wiedrich and Barbara Bailey  
Scripture Reader: Meredith Nielsen  
Fellowship: Jim and Hope Enslow  
Sunday School: Sarah Stackhouse  
Nursery: Linda Folts and Sharon Larsen  
Counters: Ron Salyer and Linda Folts

**SERVING NEXT WEEK (3/13/16)**

Greeters: Meredith Nielsen and Ruth Ann Makatura  
Ushers: Fuzzy and Ryan Andersen  
Scripture Reader: Barbara Bailey  
Fellowship: Sarah Stackhouse (Birthday Sunday)  
Sunday School: Pam Althouse  
Nursery: Christ and Stacy Wyant  
Counters: Elly Stempien and Bill Sutherland

Tuesday Noon: **Women's Luncheon at Antique Inn.** All women are invited to come and share a meal with one another.  
Tuesday - 7PM, **Choir Rehearsal**  
Wednesday – 10:00am Bible Study – at church - Bad Boys of the Bible

Thank you to everyone who helped at the Baked Potato Dinner!

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

March 27<sup>th</sup> – Sunrise Service and 9:00am Service

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