



Kern Memorial United Methodist Church

The Reverend Donna M. Hester, Pastor

March 15, 2020 (11:00 AM)

Third Sunday in Lent

*Congregation Standing (as able)

Greetings and Announcements

*Entrance of the Cross

Organ Prelude

Hornpipe

George Frederic Handel

*Psalter with Choral Response

Psalm 95

814 UMH

*Hymn

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

127 UMH

(Hymns can be found in the red hymnals (UMH) located in the pew racks in front of you.)

*Invocation

Lord of eternal life, satisfy our thirst for life today and every day along life's journey through wilderness ways. Help us to find time, in these forty days and nights of Lent, and on all of our days, for spiritual refreshment and growth in grace, your grace, Lord, Jesus Christ.. **Amen.**

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostle's Creed

881 UMH

**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.

*Gloria Patri

70 UMH

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 17:1-7

Jim Giles

17 The whole Israelite community broke camp and set out from the Sin desert to continue their journey, as the Lord commanded. They set up their camp at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. **2** The people argued with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink."

Moses said to them, "Why are you arguing with me? Why are you testing the Lord?"

3 But the people were very thirsty for water there, and they complained to Moses, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt to kill us, our children, and our livestock with thirst?"

4 So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What should I do with this people? They are getting ready to stone me."

5 The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of Israel's elders with you. Take in your hand the shepherd's rod that you used to strike the Nile River, and go. **6** I'll be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Hit the rock. Water will come out of it, and the people will be able to drink." Moses did so while Israel's elders watched. **7** He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites argued with and tested the Lord, asking, "Is the Lord really with us or not?"

Prayer/Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who 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. And 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 the Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Sentence

See how the fields are ripe for the harvest! Already, God is gathering fruit for eternal life. With rejoicing, let us offer our lives to the Lord.

Offertory

Andante Tranquillo from Sonata No. 3

Felix Mendelssohn

*Doxology

95 UMH

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.

Offertory Prayer

*Hymn

Fill My Cup, Lord

641 UMH

*Gospel Lesson:

John 4:5–42

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⁵ He came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, which was near the land Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶ Jacob's well was there. Jesus was tired from his journey, so he sat down at the well. It was about noon.

⁷ A Samaritan woman came to the well to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me some water to drink." ⁸ His disciples had gone into the city to buy him some food.

⁹ The Samaritan woman asked, "Why do you, a Jewish man, ask for something to drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" (Jews and Samaritans didn't associate with each other.)

¹⁰ Jesus responded, "If you recognized God's gift and who is saying to you, 'Give me some water to drink,' you would be asking him and he would give you living water."

¹¹ The woman said to him, "Sir, you don't have a bucket and the well is deep. Where would you get this living water? ¹² You aren't greater than our father Jacob, are you? He gave this well to us, and he drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock."

¹³ Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks from the water that I will give will never be thirsty again. The water that I give will become in those who drink it a spring of water that bubbles up into eternal life."

¹⁵ The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will never be thirsty and will never need to come here to draw water!"

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Go, get your husband, and come back here."

¹⁷ The woman replied, "I don't have a husband."

"You are right to say, 'I don't have a husband,'" Jesus answered. ¹⁸ "You've had five husbands, and the man you are with now isn't your husband. You've spoken the truth."

¹⁹ The woman said, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. ²⁰ Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you and your people say that it is necessary to worship in Jerusalem."

²¹ Jesus said to her, "Believe me, woman, the time is coming when you and your people will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²² You and your people worship what you don't know; we worship what we know because salvation is from the Jews. ²³ But the time is coming—and is here!—when true worshippers will worship in spirit and truth. The Father looks for those who worship him this way. ²⁴ God is spirit, and it is necessary to worship God in spirit and truth."

²⁵ The woman said, "I know that the Messiah is coming, the one who is called the Christ. When he comes, he will teach everything to us."

²⁶ Jesus said to her, “I Am—the one who speaks with you.”
²⁷ Just then, Jesus’ disciples arrived and were shocked that he was talking with a woman. But no one asked, “What do you want?” or “Why are you talking with her?” ²⁸ The woman put down her water jar and went into the city. She said to the people, ²⁹ “Come and see a man who has told me everything I’ve done! Could this man be the Christ?” ³⁰ They left the city and were on their way to see Jesus.
³¹ In the meantime the disciples spoke to Jesus, saying, “Rabbi, eat.”
³² Jesus said to them, “I have food to eat that you don’t know about.”
³³ The disciples asked each other, “Has someone brought him food?”
³⁴ Jesus said to them, “I am fed by doing the will of the one who sent me and by completing his work. ³⁵ Don’t you have a saying, ‘Four more months and then it’s time for harvest’? Look, I tell you: open your eyes and notice that the fields are already ripe for the harvest. ³⁶ Those who harvest are receiving their pay and gathering fruit for eternal life so that those who sow and those who harvest can celebrate together. ³⁷ This is a true saying, that one sows and another harvests. ³⁸ I have sent you to harvest what you didn’t work hard for; others worked hard, and you will share in their hard work.”
³⁹ Many Samaritans in that city believed in Jesus because of the woman’s word when she testified, “He told me everything I’ve ever done.” ⁴⁰ So when the Samaritans came to Jesus, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. ⁴¹ Many more believed because of his word, ⁴² and they said to the woman, “We no longer believe because of what you said, for we have heard for ourselves and know that this one is truly the savior of the world.”

Sermon	“Water”	Rev. Donna Hester
*Hymn	<i>Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee</i>	175 UMH
*Benediction and Choral Response		
Postlude	<i>Trumpet Tune in D Major</i>	David N. Johnson

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This Week At Kern

Key: Sanctuary (S), Family Life Center (FLC), Narthex (N), Fellowship Hall (FH), Parlor (P), Theatre (T), Chapel/Prayer Room (C)

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2020 – Third Sunday in Lent

Oak Ridge Spring Break Begins

- 8:30 am Early Worship Service (S)
- 9:00 am Praise and Worship Service (FLC)
- 10:00 am Sunday School Classes
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship Service (S)
- 12:00 pm Youth Mission Stay through March 18(Kern Church)
- 12:15 pm Church Council (FH)
- 2:30 pm H.I.S. Puppeteers (Rm 12)

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2020

- 9:00 am Monday Morning Maintenance (FH)
- 5:30 pm Yoga (FLC)
- 6:00 pm Bible Study (Rm 4)
- 6:30 pm Venture Crew (N)
- 7:00 pm Friendship Circle (P)
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts (FLC)

TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2020

- 9:00 am NO Camp Faith (Rm 26, 28)
- 10:00 am Bible Study (FH)
- 11:00 am Parkinson's Support Group (FLC)
- 12:30 pm NO Staff Meeting (P)
- 7:00 pm Order of the Arrow (N)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2020

- 9:15 am Yoga (FLC)
- 10:30 am NO Mommy and Co. Fitness (FLC)
- 4:30 pm NO Staff Meeting (P)
- 5:00 pm Pick up youth from mission stay
- 5:30 pm NO Wednesday Niter (FLC)
- 6:30 pm NO Children's Devotion (24)
- 6:30 pm NO Impact Youth (Rm 13/14)
- 6:30 pm Hookers & Needlers (FH)
- 6:30 pm Chancel Choir (S)
- 7:00 pm Praise Band Practice (FLC)

THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2020

- 8:00 am Kern Prayer Partners (P)
- 9:00 am NO Camp Faith (Rm 26, 28)
- 10:00 am Mary Martha Circle (FH)

FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2020

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2020

- 2:00 pm – Puppets (FLC)

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2020 – Fourth Sunday in Lent

Oak Ridge Spring Break Continues through March 27



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Participants for Today's Services

Early Worship Greeter	Donna Binnie
Early Worship Acolyte	Traci Welch
Early Worship Scripture Reader	Hayden Rouse
P&W Parking Greeters	Paulette Missaggia/Greg Nutter
P&W Scripture Reader	Angi Agle
Late Outside Greeters	Lynn Cardwell
Late Narthex Greeters	Fred & Pat White
Late Worship Acolyte	Aiden Colandro
Late Worship Crucifer	Dawson Hughes
Late Worship Scripture Reader	Jim Giles
Proofreader	Linda Maddox
Offering Counters	Steve Pawel/Anne Teasley

Participants on March 22

Early Worship Greeter	Sam Early
Early Worship Acolyte	Troy Welch
Early Worship Scripture Reader	Mike Bradshaw
P&W Parking Greeters	Wayne Fox/Bob Johnson
P&W Scripture Reader	Wiley Peck
Late Outside Greeters	Larry & Ann Brown
Late Narthex Greeters	Lloyd & Betty Stokes
Late Worship Acolyte	Olivia Ashburn
Late Worship Crucifer	Robert Ashburn
Late Worship Scripture Reader	Gretchen Hakola
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General Fund (3-8-2020)	\$11,044
General Fund YTD	\$96,633
General Budget 2020	\$537,003
UMCOR	\$810

NEXT WEEK SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Old Testament Lesson	1 Samuel 16:1-13
Gospel Lesson	John 9:1-41

**NO WEDNESDAY NITER MARCH 18
through MARCH 25 – Due to Spring Break**

Easter Meal is April 1

Ham

Hash Brown Potatoes

Green Beans, Deviled Eggs, Veggie Trays