

Scripture Reading: Mark 8:31-38

³¹ He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. ³² He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

³³ But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. “Get behind me, Satan!” he said. “You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.”

³⁴ Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. ³⁶ What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? ³⁷ Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? ³⁸ If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father’s glory with the holy angels.”

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PINE ISLAND

Love, Hope, a place to Belong

Pastor Carolyn Westlake

February 25, 2018 2nd Sunday of Lent

UMH (United Methodist Hymnal) **FWS** (Faith We Sing)

(**Indicates for Congregation to stand if able)

Announcements / Birthdays & Anniversaries

Time of Reflection

Give Me Jesus

Pianist: Joel Blair

****Hymn #2129 (FWS)**

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

****Call to Worship**

Liturgist: Wade Bluemer

L: From generation to generation, God names us and claims us.

P: Let heaven and earth praise God's holy name.

L: From our earliest steps, Christ guides our wayward feet.

P: Let all who draw breath come back to the Lord.

L: From death to life, the Spirit sets us free.

P: Let the faithful rejoice in God's holy covenant.

L: From generation to generation, God names us and claims us.

P: Let heaven and earth praise God's holy name.

****Hymn #2051 (FWS)**

I Was There To Hear Your Borne Cry

Baptism

Adia Alberts

Children's Sermon

Stump the Pastor

Joys and Concerns / Pastoral Prayer

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.

****Gloria Patri**

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.

Choir

In the Quiet Hour

Scriptures:

Mark 8:31-38

Hymn #297 (UMH)

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Message

The Cost of Discipleship

Pastor Carolyn Westlake

Giving of Our Tithes and Offering - Please sign Pew Pad.

****Doxology**

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.

****Offertory Prayer**

Bless us this day, Eternal God, that we may be a blessing to a world in need. Bless our gifts and our offerings in your name, that they may light the way home for those who have wandered far and lost their way. As these gifts go forth to do your work, may they help others hear you call their names and bring them peace. Amen.

****Hymn #261 (UMH)**

Lord of the Dance

(vs 1,2,5)

Benediction / Greeting/ Postlude

Prayer for Living Expectantly

Gracious and Life-Giving God,

- Pour out your Holy Spirit, like a mighty wind and tongues of fire, to unleash our churches to see kingdom visions, to dream your dreams, and to prophesy to your saving grace and justice.
- Revive the power of the gospel in the hearts of our clergy and lay leadership and prosper their words and works, so that all nations may hear the good news in their own tongues.
- Boldly use me, without limits, delays or excuses, to be a living praise and witness to your love throughout all the earth and a blessing to all creation.
- Create in me an expectant heart, eager to receive your Spirit gifts and guidance to the glory of Jesus Christ, in whose precious and powerful name I pray. Amen.

Fellowship: Please join us for fellowship time following the service downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. **Nursery:** Available for your use.

PLEASE NOTE

- **Pastor Carolyn's Office Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday mornings at the church office. To contact Pastor Carolyn, please call: Office 507-356-4553, cell 507-208-5842 or pastorc@bevcomm.net. Feel free to call her cell number if you can't reach her at the Church Office.
- **Mission Box** for March Food Share.
- **Pine Island Sharing Shelf** for March will be Shampoo and Toothpaste.
- **Easter Flower Order:** Tulips & Truffles has asked if we could get our Easter flower order in early, so please have all Easter Flower orders in to Cathy by **Tuesday, March 6.**
- **John Lenten Study** Wednesdays at 7pm in Fellowship Hall starting on February 21 going through March 21.
- **A Reminder** to all committees with check books, please bring in your records to the Finance Meeting on Tuesday, March 20, at 5:30pm, for the Audit. Thank you.