Welcome to



14 February 2016 First Sunday in Lent

May God who gathers us around Himself in the Word and Sacrament to bless us with His forgiveness this morning be your source of comfort, strength and renewal as you worship today. In the Name of Christ, we are all called to come and hear that the Lord is Good!

Our Gospel reading is Luke 4.1-13 and our response is, **"Praise be** to thee, O Christ" spoken in unity aloud. Call to Worship: Psalm 91.1-13 Hymns: Opening #98 Prayer #628 Closing - #249

Ladies Bible Study – "Esther"- Tuesday 7:00pm – Burns' House Men's Study Group - "The Mind of Jesus" - Tues. 7pm - Church Bible Study this week: Thursday – 10:30am – Church 7:00pm - Church

During we will be having a special time of prayer every Wednesday at 7:30pm. Please join us either here, or wherever you may be, in a spirit of prayer & seeking God's face on Wednesday evenings.

We are assembling a committee to research & recommend how the church should proceed with our building. We have been renting for the past 5 years & want to explore the value of continuing to rent or purchasing. If you are interested in serving on this committee please come to the first meeting on 22 Feb at 7pm.

Our Good News team begins this Wednesday afternoon. They are Al Hill, David Gardner, Gail Everett, Sue Rossiter, Sue Christian, Carol Bryant, Annette Nichols, Charlotte Gaylor, and Bea Gardner.

Lenten Devotional and Banks for the Society of St. Andrew are at the Welcome Center. Please join us for this discipline together.

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Invocation & Confession

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ♣ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:19) C: Amen

P: Make us to know your ways, O Lord, and teach us your paths. Lead us in your truth and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation; for whom we wait. (Psalm 25:4-5) **C: Amen**

P: If we say we have fellowship with God while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not live according to the truth; but if we walk in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin. (1 John 1:6-7)

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love.

C: According to your abundant mercy, blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us. Cast us not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and uphold us with a willing spirit. Amen (Psalm 51:1-2, 10-12)

P: Let it be known to you, that through Jesus Christ, the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. (1 John 1:6-7) He commanded us to preach and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name. (Acts 10:42-43)

C: Amen

Call to Worship: Responsive reading of Psalm 99