

*Our Service of Worship*  
*First Sunday in Lent*  
*One on One with Jesus*  
*An Encounter with the Living Christ*

10:55 am

February 26, 2012

\*We invite those who are able, to stand during these acts of worship

**Gathering Music**  
**Announcements**

Rev. Whitehead

**Time of Welcoming**

Persons may greet other members of the community with signs of reconciliation and love.  
Please be seated as we begin worship.

*Blest Be The Tie That Binds*

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred  
minds is like to that above.

**Opening Scripture**  
**Chimes**

Rev. Whitehead

**Opening Voluntary**

*Aria, "O Lord, Whose Mercies"*

Marjorie Morgan, Organist  
G. F. Handel

**Lighting the Altar Candles**

**\*Opening Hymn**

# 269

*Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days*

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

# 887

**\* Gloria Patri**

**Story for All Ages**

*Jesus Loves Me*

Sarah Haas  
# 191

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Following this, all children through Kindergarten

Are invited to "Children's Church" time next door in our Education Building.

Parents may pick them up there following the worship service.

**Camp Sunday Report**

Ellen Watson

**Prayer Sharing**  
**Call to Prayer**  
**Morning Prayer**

Rev. Whitehead

**The Offering**  
**Offertory**

*Lento*

Ushers  
Marjorie Morgan, Organist  
César Frank

**\*Doxology**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power  
uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Lord, open our hearts and minds**

**by the power of your Holy Spirit,**

**that, as the Scriptures are read**

**and your Word proclaimed,**

**we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

**Epistle Lesson**

Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17  
(pg. 187)

Rev. Whitehead

**Anthem**

*And No Bird Sang*

Chancel Choir

**Gospel Lesson**

John 3: 1-17  
(pg. 114)

Rev. Tilk

**Sermon**

"Being Born From Above"

Rev. Tilk

**\*Closing Hymn**

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

# 61

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

*The 32<sup>nd</sup> Psalm*

*(Happy is He Whose Transgression is Forgiven)*

Marjorie Morgan, Organist  
Benedetto Marcello

**Worship Matters**

We want to **remember and lift up in prayer** these folks: Rose Baker, Ruth Barnes, Gene Cost, Lynne Greco, Jo Ann Hamilton, Marian Hurst, Spurgeon Johnson, Mattie McMillan, Mary Patronis, Ralph & Rachel Perkins, Lillian Weaver. Also, those men and women serving in our military overseas: Lance Hines.

This service is being recorded to produce DVD's for shut-ins

Children's activity bags are available in Narthex

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Communion will be served in Shelfer Chapel after the morning worship service.

Come and join us today at **3pm** for devotion and singing with our friends at Magnolia House.

There will be a short VBS meeting **TODAY** after the communion service.

Come and join us on **Wednesday, February 29** at **5pm** for dinner and welcome our speaker, Diane Tomasi from Big Bend Hospice.

Mark your calendar for our annual **World Day of Prayer** on **Friday, March 2** at **12N** in Shelfer Chapel. This is a worldwide ecumenical movement of women of many faith traditions who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year. Please bring a friend! A love offering will be collected for the Guardian Ad Litem program in Gadsden County.

### Our Presence Last Week

Worship service	66
Sunday School	29
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### Our Stewardship Last Week

General Fund 2012	\$1,790.00
Plate offering	\$109.00
Sunday school	\$12.00
Communion offering	\$17.00

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