

*CLOSING HYMN No. 549 *Where Charity and Love Prevail*

*BENEDICTION

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

POSTLUDE

Maestoso in Bb

Josef Seeger

**Those who are able are invited to stand.*

Items in bold indicate congregational response.

TO OUR GUESTS

Thank you for sharing in worship today.

Here are a few things that you may find helpful.

-Childcare is available for infants and preschool aged children. Our nursery staff awaits you in room #107.

-Hearing devices are available for those who need them. They are located at the entrance to the sanctuary.

The ushers will be happy to assist you if you have any questions.

THANK YOU FOR SERVING TODAY

USHERS: David Yeakley, Ken Neese, Richard Huntley, David Clements

GREETERS: Dale & Shelley Loberger, Joyce Ingold

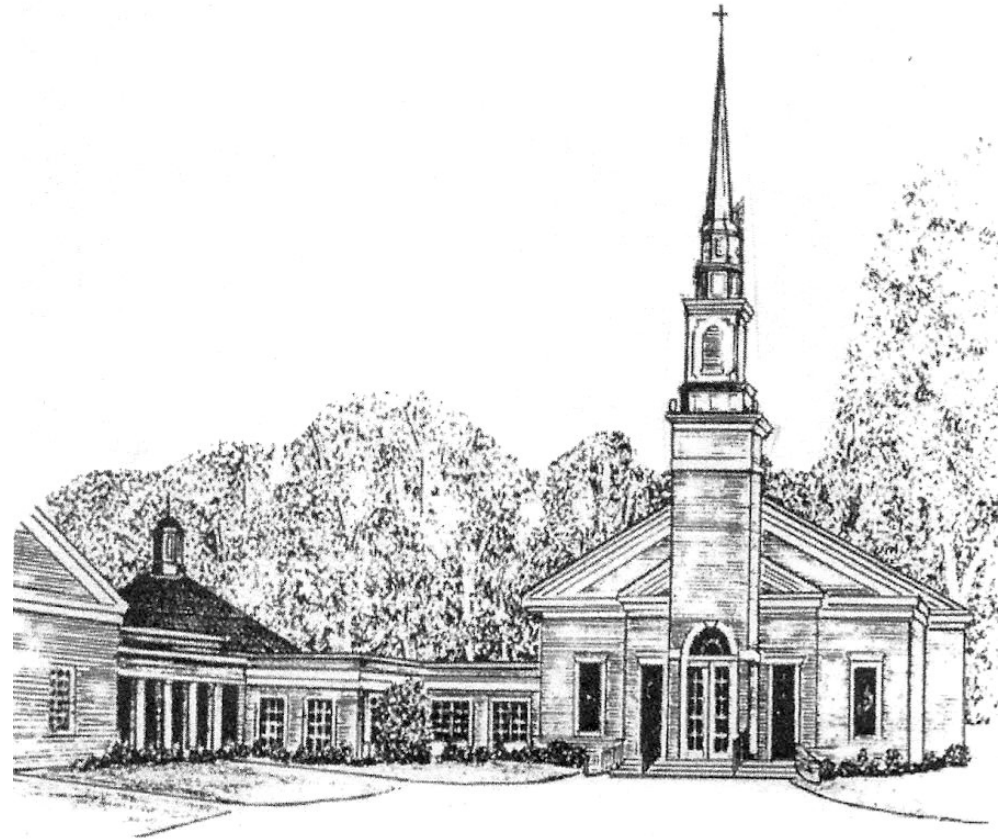
VISITOR'S BOOTH & TOUR GUIDE: Karla Jennings & Kalli Clements

MARCH ALTAR GUILD: Nancy Ratliff, Martha Rollins

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WORSHIP SERVICES

Contemporary 8:45 a.m. in Central Hall

Traditional 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

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CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

***PASSING OF PEACE**

PRELUDE *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* Robert Farlee

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

We gather together
in the name of the One who bids us come.
We gather together
to hear the words of the One who is Love.
We gather together
to sing praises of the One who teaches peace.
Come, let us worship!

***OPENING HYMN No. 581**

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

A PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

Almighty God,
you love us, but we have not loved you;
you call, but we have not listened.
We walk away from neighbors in need,
wrapped up in our own concerns.
We have gone along with evil,
with pride, quarrelling, and divisiveness.

Holy God, help us to face up to ourselves,
so that, as you move toward us in mercy,
we may repent, turn to you, and receive mercy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All pray in silence

Hear the Good News,

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven!
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Glory to God. Amen.

(You are invited to remain in a spirit of prayer.)

**CALL TO PRAYER
MORNING 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.

ANTHEM *The Lord is My Shepherd* Allen Pote
Based on Psalm 23
Chancel Choir

SERMON **"Giving Up Superiority"** Rev. Danny Leonard
John 4:5-9
Reflection

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH NO. 885**
***THE GLORIA PATRI NO. 71**

INVITATION TO PRESENT GIFTS

OFFERTORY SOLO *Battle of Jericho* Arr. Mark Hayes
Mitchell Tyson. Soloist

***DOXOLOGY No. 95**
***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**