

MARSHVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Rev. Sherri Barnes, Pastor

March 14, 2010

Prelude Elizabeth Walters, Helen Phifer
Lighting of the Altar Candles Kendall Preslar, Acolyte
Words of Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship *Glory to God* TFWS 2033
*Hymn of Praise *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* UMH 384

*Opening Prayer

Gracious God, we gather before you this day for many reasons. Some of us seek no more than the peace and the fellowship of this sanctuary. Some of us are looking for encouragement as we walk the path that you set before us. Others of us are hoping for a word from you - some wisdom - some sign - that will help us through a period of affliction or show us how to deal with a problem that we have. Still others of us are here because we know that it is the right thing to do - that it helps us and helps our families to grow together in love and understanding. Many are the reasons we have for coming before you at this time O God. We ask your blessing upon us - and pray that you will answer the need that is in us through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen

Children's Message Dawn Moretz
Anthem *How Beautiful* arr. Lloyd Larson

Prayers of the People (Joys and Concerns)

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen

Offering

Offertory

*Doxology UMH 95
Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

*Hymn of Preparation *Great is Thy Faithfulness* UMH 140

Scripture Luke 15:1-3, 11b -32 pew Bible p 78

Sermon "The Prodigal Father" Rev. Sherri Barnes

*Hymn of Invitation *Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling* UMH 348

*Parting Blessing

*Response to the Blessing *On Eagle's Wings* Joncas

*Postlude Elizabeth Walters, Helen Phifer
****Please stand as you are able***

Serving our church today: Elizabeth Walters, organist; Helen Phifer, pianist; Lauren Hill, choir director; Kendall Preslar, acolyte; Pam and Megan Huggins, nursery; Alan Corum, Johnny and Margaret Pigg, Burt Phifer, ushers; Wayne Hamilton, Tammy Skinner, Kelley Blalock, financial stewards.

Serving our church next Sunday: Elizabeth Walters, organist; Helen Phifer, pianist; Lauren Hill, choir director; Caroline Brady, acolyte; Patricia and Nicky Medina, nursery; March ushers; Wayne Hamilton, Tammy Skinner, Kelley Blalock, financial stewards.

*Marshville United Methodist Church
Church Calendar*

Sunday, March 14

9:15 a.m. Choir Warm Up in the Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
6:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting

Monday, March 15

7:00 p.m. Scouts

Tuesday, March 16

10:00 a.m. "Celebrate the Risen Christ" Bible Study

Wednesday, March 17

6:00 p.m. Lenten Taize Service
6:30 p.m. Soup dinner
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

March 19-21 UMY trip to the mountains

Sunday, March 21

9:15 a.m. Choir Warm Up in the Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

By our Presence Sunday School 80 Worship Service 116

By Our Gifts:

Weekly Needs: \$2,854.62 **YTD Needs:** \$28,545.30

Received 03-07-10 \$3,316.10 **YTD Received:** \$26,692.21

A gift was given to the Property Note in memory of Mary Jane Williams and Tommy Stegall by Johnny and Margaret Pigg.

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The Prodigal Son