Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper. You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.

-Psalms 30.10

Kyrie eleison translated Lord, have mercy, is one of the oldest prayers in Christian liturgy and comes from multiple references in both the Psalms and the Gospels. As we are called into worship during the Sundays in Lent by this phrase we acknowledge both our utter helplessness and the profound love of Christ.

Christ Candle  Grant McCord

Call to Worship

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Opening Sentences  Rev. Alan Sherouse
Hymn 95  All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name

Words of Friendship  Rev. Chris Cherry

A Time for Children  Christina McCord

Children, ages four through first grade may attend Junior Church and return to the sanctuary following the sermon.

Call to Prayer

Worshipers are asked to move toward the cross in the center of the sanctuary as we sing together our Call to Prayer. Are You Washed is an old gospel song with the text slightly altered to emphasize our Lenten theme “Clothed in Christ.”

Lay aside the garments that are stained with sin; clothe yourself with the robe of Christ. Wearing his new nature put to rest the old, and be washed in the blood of the Lamb. Are you
Prayers of God’s People  Rev. Cherry

Prayer Song

Christ be be-side me; Christ be be-fore me; Christ be be-hind me,
Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand, Christ all a-round me,
cov-er my heart. Christ be with-in me; Christ be be-
shield in the strife. Christ be the vi-sion in eyes that
low me; Christ be a-bove me, nev-er to part.
see me; in ears that hear me Christ ev-er be.
Opening of God's Word Morgan Alexander

Scripture Reading Luke 10.30-35 Rev. Grizzle Kane

Sermon Clothed in Kindness Rev. Sherouse

Hymn 736 Rescue the Perishing

Offertory Prayer Deacon Gayle Wiley

Choral Offering More Love to Thee, Joseph Joubert
Sanctuary Choir, Jamell Strickland and Celena Huling, soloists

Scriptural Covenant of Faith
As God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.
—Colossians 3.12-14

Benediction Rev. Sherouse

Song of Dismissal

Your banner o-ver us be love, Your grace re-fresh our trav’ling ways. Your power sus-tain, Your beau-ty cheer; our words, our deeds, our lives be praise! A-men, A-men, A-men, A-men.
OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

Ash Wednesday  |  6:30pm  |  Sanctuary
Mark the beginning of the Lenten Season with a church-wide service of confessional prayer and imposition of ashes.

Sundays during Lent  |  10:30am
Instead of letting go or giving something up this Lenten Season, we invite you to explore what it might be like to take on new attributes of Christ.

Wednesday, April 17  |  6pm
A Family Pilgrimage Service will include a church-wide dinner and communion in the Fellowship Hall, with a time of worship in both the Prayer Garden and the Sanctuary.

Good Friday, April 19  |  12:30
“The Way of the Cross” Service in the Chapel following a light soup lunch in Room 102 served at noon.

FACES OF FAITH

Midweek @FBC during Lent  |  6:20pm  |  Chapel
During Lent, we will gather together in one location. Each week several church members will share their stories of how they have experienced God in their lives. We will all be challenged to “clothe ourselves” with the traits of Colossians 3:12: compassion, kindness, humility, patience and endurance. Through learning more about those who make up our congregation, we will learn more about who God is calling us to be.