

**Entrance**Gathering *(As we gather to worship please greet those persons sitting around you.)*Prelude *(Please use this time to prepare yourself for worship.)**Lord, Have Mercy* - E. Broughton*Jesus, Name Above All Names* with *O How I Love Jesus* - arr. M. Hayes

Chiming of the Hour

Greetings and Welcome *(During this time please pass the pew notebooks.)*

Time of Centering

*Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart* - arr. M. Hayes  
(8:30 a.m. - Jill Boliek, piano)*Fishers of Men, Peter James and John in the Sailboat*  
*This Is My Commandment*  
(11:00 a.m. - The Cherub Choir)

Lighting of the Altar Candles

\*Invocation

\*Opening Hymn

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

No. 127

**Proclamation**

Old Testament Lesson

Deuteronomy 18:15-18

Stewardship Moment

Danny Sullivan

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Gospel Lesson

Mark 1:21-28

Meditation

Rev. Jay Minnick

**Response**

Joys and Thanksgivings/Prayer Concerns

Silent Prayers/Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer *(please pray in unison)***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.**

Offering of Our Gifts

Offertory

*Fairest Lord Jesus* - arr. L. Larson  
(8:30 a.m. - Jill Boliek, piano & Chris Dodson, organ)*How Can I Keep from Singing?* - arr. M. McDonald  
(11:00 a.m. - The Chancel Choir)\*Doxology *(sung in unison)***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.****Thanksgiving and Communion**

Sacrament of Communion

*All who worship with us today are invited to participate with us in the celebration of the sacrament of the Eucharist or Holy Communion. This is a celebratory act of our community in which we give thanks for the ever-abiding presence of God's spirit and the all-inclusive reach of God's grace. The Sacrament is a mystical reality in which the presence of Christ is made real to us, and by God's grace it forges us into one body so that together we can extend the merciful touch of Christ into the world. Welcome to the table.**In an effort to meet the needs of the gathered community it is our goal to have gluten free bread available for Communion. Please notify your server when you come forward to receive the Sacrament.*

The Great Thanksgiving

Clergy: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Clergy: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Clergy: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Clergy: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, almighty God.

People: **For you are the creator and sustainer of our lives.***[The rehearsing of the tradition]*

Clergy: Let us pray. Loving and gracious God, in remembrance of these your grace-filled acts, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Clergy: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and cup. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, now and for ever.

People: **Amen.**

Giving the Bread and Cup

Closing Prayer

**Sending Forth**

\*Closing Hymn

*Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

\*Pastoral Benediction

\*Postlude

*Make a Joyful Noise* - F. Ritter

\*please rise in body or in spirit

*If you are looking for a church home in the Raleigh area we would love for you to become part of our church family here at Pleasant Grove. Please contact the church office for more information about church membership.*

**Eat Out for Outreach today at City Barbecue located at 4122 Lake Boone Trail!** City Barbeque will donate 20% of all meals that day, including dine-in and take-out! If ordering on the restaurant website, please use Promo Code: FundA. This fundraiser will support our Rise Against Hunger event, so invite your friends & neighbors! Contact Meredith Berry at [meredith.berry@gmail.com](mailto:meredith.berry@gmail.com) with any questions.

**Please join us this evening at 6:30 p.m. for our next performance of the 2023 - 2024 PGUMC Concert Series featuring The Oak City Saxes.** This concert features an eclectic mix of Jazz, Pop, & Classical music and is family friendly! Invite your friends and neighbors - all are welcome!

**February's Family Mission Night will be tomorrow at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.** We'll have dinner and then work on a project to support Safe Haven for Cats. If you plan to attend, please contact Ashley Yohman today to register.

**Our next Blood Drive is scheduled for this Tuesday, February 6, from 2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the Hyder House.** You may sign up after the worship service today if you wish to donate blood. Start the new year with this good deed, and earn rewards for yourself and PGUMC's outreach ministries--and help save 3 lives with your donation! For more information please contact Karin Kasan at 919-208-6164.

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper! Join us on Tuesday, February 13, for a pancake supper in the Fellowship Hall from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.** The United Methodist Men will be serving pancakes, sausage, biscuits & gravy, bacon, and iced tea or coffee. Freewill donations will be accepted. Invite your friends and neighbors - all are welcome!

**Ash Wednesday is the first day of the 40 day season of Lent.** Please join us on Wednesday, February 14, for an Ash Wednesday service and the imposition of ashes at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. *Rev. Minnick will also be available at the church from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. that morning to impose ashes for anyone unable to attend the evening service.*

**Confirmation classes will begin with an open house on Sunday, February 18, at 3:30 p.m. in the Hyder House.** All those interested in learning more about confirmation are encouraged to attend the open house (including parents). It is suggested that at minimum confirmation class attendees should be in the 5th grade. If you have questions please contact Ashley Yohman at [ashley.yohman@pgumc.org](mailto:ashley.yohman@pgumc.org).

**During the season of Lent we will offer a 6-week study on *Final Words From the Cross*, by Adam Hamilton.** The book explores Jesus's final words as seen and heard through the eyes and ears of those who stood near the cross. The study will begin on Monday, February 19, at 1:00 p.m. and participant books may be ordered directly from Amazon. Please contact Deborah Horton at [deborah.horton@pgumc.org](mailto:deborah.horton@pgumc.org) if you would like to attend or for more information.

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