

WELCOME!

We are a friendly, active congregation, and you will find many ways to serve and grow here.

Please sign the register found in your seat so that we may have a record of your presence.

If you would like the church to contact you, please let a greeter know, or fill out a guest card in your seat and drop it in the offering plate.

SERVICE NOTES

Parents: To comply with our Safe Sanctuaries Policies, we ask that you accompany your children if they need to leave the Sanctuary for any reason.

A safe, loving, and fully staffed nursery for children age 3 and under is available in the Family Life Center, Room 1.

After the Children's Message, children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to Children's Church located in the Family Life Center, Room 5. One of our capable volunteers will meet you at the back of the Sanctuary to walk with you, and the children will return to us before the end of our service.

Large print hymnals are available for your convenience.

Assistive listening devices are available at the sound booth.

Please ask an usher or greeter for any needed assistance.

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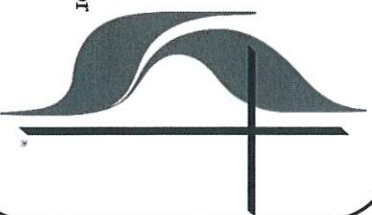
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Dr. Jeanie Wozencraft-Ornellas, Choir Director

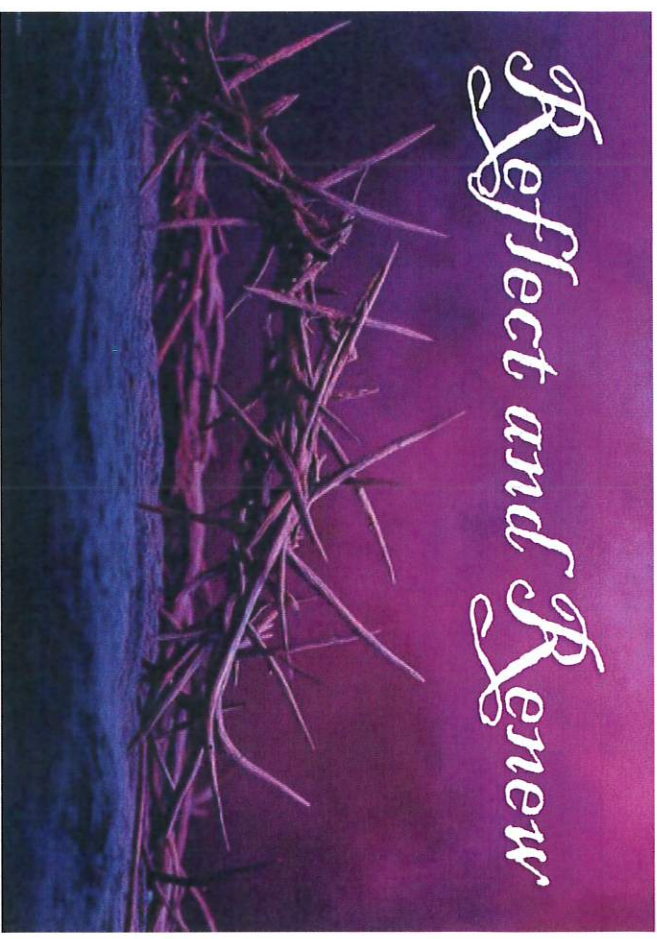
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We are all ministers of the Gospel!

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Reflect and Renew



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United Methodist Church

1201 Maxwell Drive – Raleigh, NC 27603

**Enter to Worship.
Depart to Serve.**

Sunday, April 6, 2025
11:00 a.m. Worship

5th Sunday in Lent

ORDER OF WORSHIP

* = You are invited to stand. **Bold** = All voices.

PRELUDE #415 *Take Up Thy Cross*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CHIMING THE TRINITY

*HYMN #57, verse 1 *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

**O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Break open our hearts this morning to hear your word, O God.
Let our fears be vanquished, our spirits restored!
Come and let us worship with great joy!
Let us drop the things of the past which weighed us down!
God is about to do something new in our lives!
Let God's will become strong in our lives.

*OPENING PRAYER

**We come into your presence, O Lord, with so many burdens
and concerns on our hearts. Help us to be open to your words
of healing and restoration. Bring us closer to you. Enable us
to discern your will for us that we may serve you more
faithfully by serving others in need. In Christ's name, we
pray. Amen.**

*HYMN #175 *Jesus, the Very Thought of You*

SCRIPTURE John 12:1-8 NRSVue

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE Philipians 3:4b-14 NRSVue

PRAYERFUL SHARING

PRAYING TOGETHER

ANTHEM *Lord, Listen to Your Children*
by Ken Medema; arr. Jack Schrader

SERMON *With All Your Heart: Make a New Thing*

INVITATION, CONFESSION, PARDON

*PASSING THE PEACE

*HYMN #297 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

CELEBRATING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY #474 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

*DOXOLOGY #95

*OFFERING PRAYER from Psalm 126

**Loving God, source of all joy, we come before you with hearts
full of gratitude. As Mary poured out her love for Jesus with
costly perfume, so we pour out our gifts before you, seeking
to honor you with all that we have. During this reflective
Lenten period, may our offerings remind us of the abundance
you've poured into our lives. Help us to give extravagantly,
not out of duty, but from hearts filled with joy and gratitude.
Bless these gifts and use them to bring your hope to the world.
In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN #504 *The Old Rugged Cross*

HYMN #301 *Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in
which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go
into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves
for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*HYMN #189 *Fairest Lord Jesus*

*BLESSING

*BENEDICTION HYMN *A Closing Prayer* Besig

*CHIMING THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE #472 *Near to the Heart of God*

Pray. Fast. Give. Reflect. Renew.

April 6, 2025

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SUPPORTING THE CHURCH

When we join the church, we are asked: Will you be loyal to The United Methodist Church, and uphold it by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness? Here's how we are doing that!

By our prayers

Don Aldridge	Karin Garner	Ron Morrow	Ed Sheffield
Frances Austin	Linda Garrison	Tom O'Quinn	Jackie Sheffield
Addy Bader	Eric Grush	Ed Reid	Karin Stocks
Mary Ellen Creech	Ed Kezar	Debra Riggsbee	Mose Stocks
Ann Deese	Charles Long	Estes Riggsbee	LaRena Thornton
Bob Deese	Dennis Marlowe	Sandy Rutledge	Holland Ware
David Fells	Mary Marlowe	Anne Safrit	Linda Wiggs
Melinda Fells	Linda Morrow	Rebekah Sandell	

Prayer requests remain on the list for 30 days unless an update has been provided.

By our presence Sunday, Mar. 30 Total Worship Attendance 131

By our gifts Your gifts may be placed in the offering plates, mailed, brought to the church office, or at: <https://abundant.co/saintandrewsumc/give>

By our service and witness

TODAY

Activity/Meeting	Time	Location
Worship Service	9:00am	FLC Great Room
Sunday School Classes	9:45am	Various Classrooms
Worship Service	11:00am	Sanctuary
Children's Worship	11:15am	Meeting Center
Youth	5:00pm	The Balcony

UPCOMING MEETINGS & CLASSES

Date	Activity/Meeting	Time	Location
Apr. 7	Wesleyan Well Wishers	10:00am	Meeting Center
Apr. 8	Spring Fling Volunteer Meeting	6:30pm	FLC
Apr. 9	Wednesday Night Supper	5:30pm	FLC
Apr. 10	Lunch & Learn	12:00pm	Meeting Center
Apr. 10	Last Supper Drama Practice	6:00pm	FLC

ONGOING GATHERINGS

Group	Meeting Date	Time	Location
Women's Basketball	Mondays	6:30-8:00pm	FLC Great Room
Pickleball and Walking	Tuesdays	7-8:30pm	FLC Great Room
Walking in Grace	Wednesdays	9:30am	Path or CC Room
Stretch Classes	Wednesdays	9:30am/10:45am	FLC Great Room
Choir Practice	Wednesdays	7-8:00pm	Sanctuary
Praise Team Practice	Thursdays	6:30pm	FLC Great Room

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

1	Cathy Olsen	5	Alex Graham	9	Robin Pleasant
3	Pete Lanning	6	Paul Neighbors	10	Heather Wurr
4	Sharon Andrews	7	Palmer Martin	10	Debbie White
5	Beverly Lemley	7	Rick Wilson	11	Gabi Allen

Is your birthday missing? Contact the church office to add your special day!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fish Fry – April 18, 5:30-7:30pm

Fish Fry Meal ticket order envelopes are available by the signup sheets! We need to know how many fish to order, please get your order envelopes into the church as soon as possible! **** MEALS MUST BE ORDERED IN ADVANCE ****

United Women in Faith are selling Easter Lilies for Easter!

Lilies are \$15 each, the deadline is April 6th. They will be available to take home after the Easter Service on April 20. Forms are due this Sunday.

Spring Fling Volunteer Meeting – Tuesday, April 8 at 6:30pm

Spring Fling will be on Sunday, May 4 from 3pm-5pm – it's right around the corner! We need your help to have the most amazing event for our church and community. Join Stacey on Tuesday, April 8 at 6:30pm to help make sure we have everything ready to go!

Wednesday Night Supper – April 9, 5:30pm

Menu for April: Spaghetti and salad bar. The cost is \$5.00 per person (additional donations are always appreciated). Please join us for good food and better fellowship!

Family Easter Event – April 13 after the Palm Sunday Service

Children and families, join us on immediately following service as we journey Jesus' path to Jerusalem. We will have lunch and complete activities as a family before we set off on our Easter egg hunt!

GARNER AREA MINISTRIES FOOD BANK

Cereal, Macaroni & Cheese

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR TODAY

Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8