

# Fourth Sunday in Lent

## March 27, 2022



*New in Christ, by Rev. Lauren Wright Pittman, inspired by 2 Corinthians 5:16-21*



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## The Words of Preparation

Our Lenten theme this year is *Full to the Brim*. We will focus on God's grace and how we live in that grace and extend that grace to others. The lectionary scriptures show us a God who offers us grace—grace that is undeserved, unearned, illogical, and boundless.

*Please silence your cell phones during this time of worship.*

## The Chiming

### The Greeting

Rev. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

Minister: The peace and love of Christ be with you.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

### The Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

In response to God's grace, we hold tighter to each other. We remember that human beings are not meant to go through life alone; so we look for ways to welcome each other in, to live like we are family and to lead with grace—excessive, extravagant grace. May we find ways to live in God's grace together. Amen.

### The Prelude

Guy Younce

*Prelude in d minor BWV 539, J. S. Bach*

### The Call to Worship

Rev. Robert Gammon

God's love is endless. **God's mercy is unstoppable.**

God's grace is lavish. **God's love is constant.**

God's presence is here, **with us, among us, moving through us.**

Breathe easy, breathe deeply; **the Spirit of God is among us.**

We are in God's house. **We have found sanctuary in this place.**

Let us worship the God who welcomes us home.

### \*The Hymn

Congregation

*Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound, No. 502*

## **The Call to Confession**

Rev. Susan Reed

### **The Prayer of Confession**

**The prodigal son is not given a name, but we know his name...it sounds like ours. And we know his story...it sounds like ours. For who among us has not burned a bridge? Who among us has not forgotten that we belong to one another? Who among us has not ached to return home to God? The prodigal son is not given a name, but we know his name. Forgive us, God. We desire to come home. Amen.**

### **The Hymn of Redemption**

Congregation

*Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling*, No. 441

(The congregation is invited to walk forward, after the children, to receive the crystal rock, symbolizing that God's grace has washed over you.)

(Children, ages pre-K to 3rd grade, will leave for their time of worship and exit through the door located to the left of the pulpit.)

### **The Words of Forgiveness**

Grace: first came the taking, the leaving, the wandering. Then came the using, the wasting, the losing. Next came the knowing, the grieving, the returning. And then the father ran to his son and put his arms around him. It breaks the rhythm. Grace always does. Thanks be to God.

### **The Choral Response**

Chancel Choir

*And the Father Will Dance*, Hayes

### **\*The Gospel Lesson**

Rev. Dr. Jason Coker

*Luke 15:1-3, 11-32*

### **The Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Jason Coker

*Full to the Brim: Prodigal Grace*

### **\*The Hymn of Discipleship**

Congregation

*Happy the Home When God is There*, No. 389

## The Dedication of Brady Devins

Rev. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

Pastor: We are here today to present to the church and to consecrate Brady to God. Who brings this child for this holy purpose?

*Parents: We, the parents, do.*

Pastor: What do we affirm about Brady?

**People: We affirm that she is a child of God by creation; that she is loved and will be included in the experiences of this congregation.**

Pastor: As Brady grows into childhood, what will we tell her about her heritage?

**People: We will tell her about God, about Abraham and Sarah, about Moses, about Ruth, and about the prophets. We will tell her about Jesus, the woman at the well, the apostles, and the worship and mission of the church.**

Pastor: What will we hope for her?

**People: We will look to the day when she will declare faith in Jesus Christ, confirm the heritage we will pass along, and become a servant within and beyond the walls of our church.**

Pastor: Do you, as the parents of Brady, assume primary responsibility for keeping her in touch with such hopes and expectations?

*Parents: Yes, we accept this responsibility.*

Pastor: And so do you, the congregation, pledge to work toward creating a nurturing Christian environment for Brady?

**People:** Yes, we do, for she is a part of this family of faith at Broadway Baptist Church.

Pastor: Thanks be to God.

**ALL:** *Amen.*

**\*The Offertory Prayer**

Rev. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

**The Offertory**

Guy Younce

*Jesus, Lover of My Soul*, Raymond H. Haan

**\*The Offertory Response**

Congregation

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen. Amen.**

**\*The Benediction**

Rev. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

**\*The Postlude**

Guy Younce

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*, Don Hustad

New Member Pledge: **In response to your decision, we pledge ourselves to be the family of God for you in this place. We offer you our love, our care, our kinship, and our hopes. We hope to learn from you, give to you, and receive from you by God's grace.**

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Mary Ann Ridge.



**Offering baskets are located at the doors leading into the Sanctuary.**

If you prefer, scan the QR code to access our online giving option.

## Prayer Concerns

Carol Lundberg, recent fall

Bob Wagoner, health concerns

Brenda Hale, mother of David Hale, health concerns

Jeff Sanders, recent surgery

Stephanie Lanier, cousin of Carolyn Sue Kays, health concerns

Tim Kelley, friend of Martha Watson, health concerns

Cathern Reeves, mother of Mary Lucy Hook, health concerns

Kelly York Shelby, sister of Christy Cox, health concerns

Judy Gilpin, hospice care

Miles Reynolds, health concerns

Dick and Lucille Brown, health concerns

Bill and Susan Ohlendorf, brother and sister-in-law of Elaine Baker, health concerns

Joe and Debby Lin, brother and sister-in-law of Steve Lin, health concerns

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# Serving and Growing Together

## Wednesday Night Dinner is BACK!

We begin with an informal, catered meal prepared from 5:30– 6:15 p.m. At 6:15 p.m., we will share prayer concerns and have Bible Study. Chancel Choir rehearsal will begin at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome, but reservations are required. Please make your meal reservation(s) **by noon, on the MONDAY** prior to the dinner. Cost is \$10 per person for ages 13 and up, \$3 per person for Kindergarten–6th grade, and Pre-K is free.

**Menu for March 30:**  
King Ranch Chicken  
Southwest salad and dressing

To make your reservation, go to our homepage or call the office at (502)-895-2459.

## Lifetimers Game Day

March 29 at 11:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center. Bring your own lunch and favorite game! Contact Donna Williams for more information!

## Small Group - Prayer Experience

Throughout the month of April we will have a small group meeting on Mondays at 2:00 p.m. in Friendship Hall or prayer garden. This group will learn about different tools to guide us as we pray (Lectio Divina, the Prayer Labyrinth, guided prayer, etc.). You're welcome to come for just one week or join us for the entire month! The schedule is listed below:

Monday, April 4 - Guided Prayer, Prayer Garden (weather permitting)

Monday, April 11 - Prayer Labyrinth, Friendship Hall

Monday, April 18 - Lectio Divina, Prayer Garden (weather permitting)

Monday, April 25 - Praying in Color, Friendship Hall

## Maundy Thursday Dinner and Service, April 14

Join us for dinner at 6 p.m. and then at 7 p.m. for a Service of Shadows as we reflect on Christ's Last Supper and Crucifixion in the Passion Story.

**Easter Egg Hunt, April 16 at 10 a.m.** on the grounds; age-appropriate hunts designed for babies/toddlers, Pre-K, lower and upper elementary. Invite your friends and neighbors! FREE Krispy Kreme donuts while they last!

## Resurrection Sunday, April 17

We will gather outside, weather permitting, and enjoy the symbolism of the newness of the blooming trees and flowers that surround us as we celebrate the Resurrection.

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