

THE REFORMER

“A Family of Grace...Growing in Faith...Sharing God’s Love”

Reformation Lutheran Church, 443 West Main Ave.,
Taylorsville NC 28681 828-632-3044
e-mail us at danaf.secretary@gmail.com
reformationtaylorsville.org

Pastor Craig Sigmon

February, 2021

FEBRUARY WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, February 7: Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Everywhere Jesus goes, he heals people and frees them from oppression (Mark 1:29-39). Disease, devils, and death are running for their lives. The forces that diminish human life are rendered powerless by Jesus.

Sunday, February 14: Transfiguration of Our Lord

Mark presents the transfiguration (Mark 9:2-9) as a preview of what would become apparent to Jesus’ followers after he rose from the dead. Confused disciples are given a vision of God’s glory manifest in the Son.

Wednesday, February 17: Ash Wednesday

This day begins our forty day journey toward Easter. We begin by marking our foreheads with ashes, acknowledging that we die and return to the earth. At the same time, the ashes form a cross, reminding us that we have been joined to Christ’s resurrection, as well as his death. Pastor Craig will offer Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion in Reformation Hall several times throughout the day: 11:00 am, 2:00 pm, and 5:00 pm. You are invited to come at a time convenient for you – socially distancing, of course.

Sunday, February 21: First Sunday in Lent

The Spirit that comes upon Jesus at his baptism sustains him when he is tested by Satan so that he might proclaim the good news of God’s reign (Mark 1:9-15).

Sunday, February 28: Second Sunday in Lent

After Peter confesses his belief that Jesus is the Messiah (Mark 8:31-38), Jesus tells his disciples for the first time what is to come. Peter’s response indicates that he does not yet understand the way of the cross that Jesus will travel.

NEWS AND NOTES

MOBILE CAFÉ – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11

We will prepare and serve meals at the Hiddenite Food Pantry. If you are willing to provide individually wrapped desserts or help with the distribution, please contact Dianne Gwaltney.

CONGREGATION COUNCIL – SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14

The Council will meet via Zoom at 7:00. Glenn Deal will lead devotions.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Unsure of where things will stand in returning to in-person worship, Pastor Craig will offer a Lenten Bible study via Zoom on Wednesdays at 7:00. The study is titled *Road to Coronation*. To help us understand the mystery of the cross, we will walk beside Jesus and the disciples on the road that led to the cross.

THANK YOU

- ▶ to all who helped with the January Mobile Café or provided desserts
- ▶ to Amy Krohn (pianist), Dana Yoder (vocalist), Susan Sigmon (videographer), and Leslie Gwaltney (sound) for their faithfulness in helping bring the on-line worship services to our congregation during this time of pandemic
- ▶ to the congregation from Pastor Craig and Susan for remembering them with a generous gift at Christmas. They so appreciate the love, support and friendship they have found among the Reformation family.

STEWARDSHIP THROUGH JANUARY 24

Weekly Need	3509.00
Receipts YTD	9295.00
Over(Under) YTD	(4741.00)

CONGREGATION COUNCIL – 2021

David Honeycutt, Scott Patterson, Darren Price, Dana Yoder, Bill Fox, Sherry Hart, Donald Mitchell, Glenn Deal, Leslie Gwaltney, Kenneth Warren and Donna White

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

The Congregation Council met on Sunday, January 10, 2021 via Zoom with all members present. Pastor Craig opened with devotions and prayer, and then installed the new council members. Dana Yoder called the meeting to order and welcomed the new members. Minutes and treasurer's report were reviewed and approved, and the Pastor's report was given.

Property Team reported that a gutter at the parsonage had been replaced. It was also reported that Donny Harrington looked at the source of the leak on the roof of Reformation Hall and determined that the shingles were in need of replacement. Leslie will contact another roofer for a second assessment of the problem.

Old Business:

Glenn Deal reported that the SBA loan (under the Payroll Protection Plan) received last spring has been forgiven. The \$13,825 remains in an account with Thrivent Credit Union.

New video equipment for streaming the services should be installed in the next few weeks.

Discussion was held regarding the return to in-person worship. A motion was made and passed unanimously to suspend regathering through Sunday, February 14. We will continue to worship via Facebook Live until a reassessment is made at the February 14 council meeting.

New Business:

Officers for 2021 were elected: Dana Yoder, President; Darren Price, Vice-President; and Donna White, Secretary. Dana Frye will continue to be the Treasurer. Assigning liaisons to the various ministry teams has been postponed until council meets in person.



PRAYER CONCERNS : Barbara White, Evelyn Hammer, Rachel Shook, Dave Ridenhour, Colleen Hammer, Jean Fox, Richard Puett, Amy Krohn, Mary Wike, Richard Byrd, Lorraine Campbell, Jeff James, Kelly Lackey, and Layla

GIFTS TO THE MEMORIAL FUND/CURRENT FUND

In memory of Sibil Mull
Glenn Mull and family

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES TO CELEBRATE



1 Denise Rhodes
5 Evelyn Price
5 Aaron Price
6 Ellie Hamby
13 Pastor Craig Sigmon
20 Perry Austin, Jr
25 Anthony Ventura
26 Joy Barrett
26 Jean Fox
27 Gretchen Austin Heggerick
28 Amie Chase

13 Beverly & John Smith