

SERMON NOTES

TODAY'S INSPIRATION

Grace—unmerited favor of God, as manifested in the salvation of sinners and the bestowal of blessings.
Grace—getting what you don't deserve / unmerited favor

Mercy—not getting what you do deserve / withheld punishment

MATTHEW 6:19-20
Treasures in Heaven

19Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. 20But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal.

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SICK/ SHUT-IN AND PRAYER

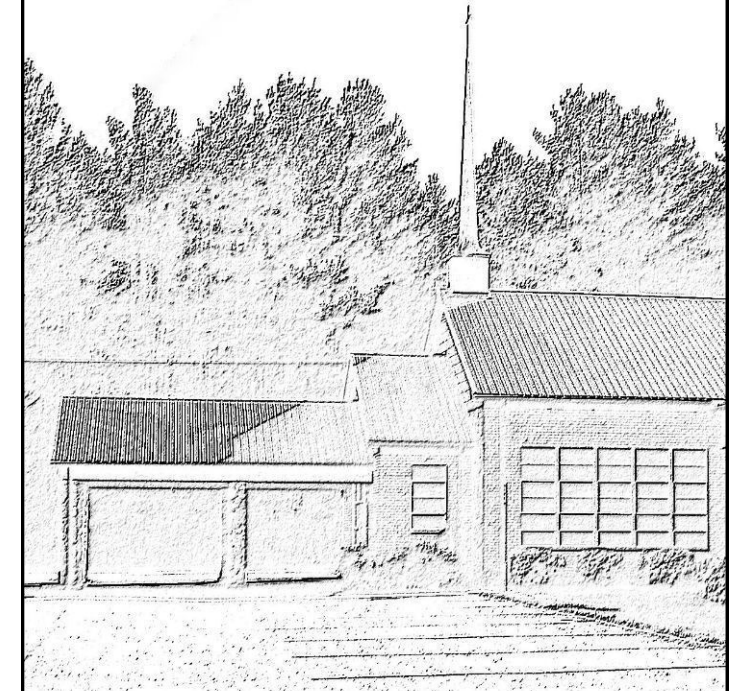
Edward Corpening	Harold Dula
Katherine Purnell	Gary Phillips
Thelma Dula	Adoree Millsaps
Edith Dula	Rosalee Patterson
Reather Ervin	Willow Carter
Jerlene Dula	Angela Dula
Laura New	Curtis Dula
Vondra Johnson	Rev. E.B. Freeman
Jarae Millsaps	Patricia Grimes
Jeffery Harshaw	Betty Dula
Antwione Chapman	Walter Foster
Pastor Valerie Hightower	Winnifred Dula
Mekosha Austin	Donald Dula
Ruth Ferguson	

Deposits/Credits—02/ 2016	7,409.00
Withdrawals/Debits— 02/2016	<u>-7,220.17</u>
Revenue over Expenses —02/2016	188.83

CHURCH INCOME - MARCH 13, 2016

Sunday School	\$ 7.00
Mission	\$ 39.00
Children Fund	\$ 11.53
Rally	\$ 20.00
Per Capita	\$ 32.00
General Offering	\$ <u>1,178.00</u>
Total	\$ 1,287.53

Palm Sunday



DULATOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
REV. HAROLD J. BENNETT II, PASTOR
SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2016
“stand firm in your faith”

WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2016—10:45AM

GATHERING

PRELUDE
INTROIT OR PROCESSIONAL
LIGHTING OF CANDLES (ALCOLYTE)
WELCOME (LITURGIST)
CALL TO WORSHIP (LITURGIST)
PRAYER OF INVOCATION
OPENING HYMN
INVITATION TO CONFESSION (LITURGIST)
PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)
ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (LITURGIST)
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UNISON)
GLORIA PATRI #654
WELCOME/RECOGNITION OF VISITORS
ANNOUNCEMENTS
OFFERTORY (SCRIPTURE)
SELECTION BY CHOIR
OFFERTORY/DOXOLOGY
PRAYER OF DEDICATION (LITURGIST)
HYMN OF PREPARATION
INTERCESSORY PRAYER PASTOR
WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC (CHOIR SELECTION)
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (LITURGIST)
GOOD NEWS
HYMN OF INVITATION
SPECIAL SELECTION
BENEDICTION (TILL WE MEET AGAIN)
SENDING/PASS THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVELY)

The story of Palm Sunday tells of how people removed their cloaks and spread them out in front of Jesus as he entered Jerusalem.

The cloak we wear every day to face the world is both the persona we wish to present, and our defense against the elements.

As we come to worship may we be willing to lay down our defenses and disguises, at the feet of the One who sees us for who we really are.

And then, set free for worship, may we offer our praises with open hearts and lives. In Christ we pray, Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (RESPONSIVELY)

We confess that we are not so different from those who welcomed Christ into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday yet later shouted 'Crucify him!' or remained silent in the face of injustice.

We have betrayed you too, Lord Jesus by our sins both secret and known. Yet you died for people like us, and you rose on the third day that we might be redeemed. For the sake of Jesus Christ do not hold our sins against us.

Jesus Christ, our King of glory, we have not been outspoken for you. We have not called for your death, but neither have we shouted of your greatness, nor expressed delight in the salvation you have won for us.

Help us to see your glory, draw us closer to you that we may become more faithful and more joyful servants of the King. In the Precious Name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED (UNISON)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried, He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

MEETINGS/REHEARSALS

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE will be held at Fairview Presbyterian Church on Thursday, March 24, 2016. Dinner at 5:30pm, Seder at 6pm and Service at 7pm.

THE LAST SEVEN WORDS will be held at St. Paul AME Church, Friday, March 25, 2016 at 12 noon. (Good Friday)

SUNRISE SERVICE will be held Sunday, March 27, 2016 (Resurrection of the Lord Sunday) 6:00am at Dula Chapel Missionary Baptist Church. Pastor Bennett will be preaching.

DPC BIBLE STUDY GROUP will begin on Wednesday, April 6th at 6pm.

STEWARDSHIP MONTH: Our Spring Rally has begun and will continue through June 2016! We are asking each member to give \$100.00 towards this much needed rally. Special envelopes will be provided. Our Stewardship Committee will speak with you for a moment.

EASTER LILIES: If you would like to donate Easter Lilies in Honor or Memory of someone, please donate \$10.

PER CAPITA FOR 2016 All members need to pay their per capita tax for calendar year 2016 by the end of March 2016. The amount is \$8.00.

REMINDER: All key holders, if you open the church doors, you are responsible for securing the church doors.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS FOR MARCH 2016!
Brandon Dula—Mar 1, Kevin Dixon—Mar 5, Jamaine Dula—Mar 5, Rev. James Millsaps—Mar 21, Jakobe Logan—Mar 23, Barbara Fox—Mar 25, and Marie Phillips—Mar 31. Please let the Secretary know if any members need to be added to the March Birthday List. May the Peace of Jesus Christ be with you always.

SCRIPTURE READING(S)

LUKE 22:14-53

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

SERMONIC MESSAGE

"OUR PRAYER WHEN DARKNESS COMES"

COMMISSION AND BLESSING OR POSTLUDE (CHOIR)

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP/SHARING COMMUNITY LIFE