

## THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

FEBRUARY 22, 2026

Ringing of the Hour		
Call to Worship		Rev. Hamilton
Leader: Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.		
People: <b>We confess our sins to the Lord and rejoice in His mercy.</b>		
Leader: Jesus was led into the wilderness and overcame every temptation.		
All: <b>We come to follow Him and live by His Word.</b>		
Leader: Come, let us worship the one who offered grace to all.		
All: <b>We lift our hearts to the Lord, our Savior and King!</b>		
*Opening Hymn	<i>How Deep the Father's Love for Us</i> [all]	GRP No. 93
*Affirmation of Faith	The Apostle's Creed	MH No. 881
<b><i>I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. The third day he rose from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.</i></b>		
*Passing of the Peace		
Welcome & Announcements		Rev. Hamilton
Leader: Wake up sleeper and rise from the dead!		
People: <b>And Christ will shine on you!</b>		
Children move to King's Kids Worship		
Old Testament Lesson	Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7	
Hymn	<i>My Hope Is Built</i> [all]	GRP No. 102
Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer		Rev. Hamilton
<b><i>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</i></b>		
Gloria Patri		MH No. 70
<b><i>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.</i></b>		
Offering	<i>Come Christians, Join to Sing</i>	Lisa Hardy
*Doxology		
<b><i>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.</i></b>		
Choral Anthem	<i>As the Deer</i>	Chancel Choir
New Testament Lesson:	Romans 5:12-19	
Message:	"Grace of the One"	Rev. Hamilton
*Hymn of Invitation	<i>Only Trust Him</i> {all}	GRP No. 506

\*Benediction

Rev. Hamilton

\*Postlude

Lisa Hardy

*The Service has ended — go in peace*

\*Congregation Standing

### Operations Council Meeting - MOVED TO NEXT SUNDAY

The Operations Council will meet after worship next Sunday, **March 1st**, in the Open-Door classroom. Council members are: Chase Dahlstrom [chair], Mike Johnson, Dan Harrell, Sonya Bundick, Philip Hardy, Jay Eckles, Frederick Miller, Martha Wright, Mitchell Coffee, Mike Law, Justin Hardy, and Richard Bass.

### Mark Your Calendars For These Events Scheduled During The Season Of Lent

Joy Fellowship   March 5 at 12:00 PM	Palm/Passion Sunday   March 29 at 10:30 AM
Daylight Saving Time Begins   March 8	Holy Thursday Service   April 2 at 7:00 PM
King's Kids   March 11, 3:30 - 5:00 PM	Good Friday Service   April 3 at 12:30 PM
Wednesday Night Supper   March 18 at 6:30 PM	Easter Sunday Service   April 5 at 10:30 AM
Ministry Council Meeting   March 22 at 11:30 AM	Spring Break   April 6 - 10
Easter Egg Hunt   March 28 at 11:00 AM	

# DODGE COUNTY COMMUNITY LISTENING SESSION

**Creating space for Hope, Healing and Change!**

Through lived experience, we're building community-rooted support for those impacted by addiction, living in recovery, and the journey in between.

### Who Should Attend?

- School Personnel
- Healthcare Providers
- Law Enforcement
- Treatment Programs
- Community Members
- Peers in Recovery
- Family Members
- Faith Leaders
- Employers
- Allies/Advocates
- MAT Providers
- Local Nonprofit Partners



**Thursday  
February 26, 2026**



**Start At  
6:00pm-7:30pm**



**Eastman First Methodist Church  
5324 Anson Avenue  
Eastman, GA**



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This effort is made possible through a grant from the CDC Foundation with support from the Georgia Opioid Crisis Abatement Trust



<u>Prayer Requests</u>		
Maggie Bloodworth	Joey Bohannon	Bart Brown
Kimberly Brown	Bobby & Liz Burch	Thomas Burton
Tony Burnham	Rita Charles	Cathy Fennell
Elizabeth Giddens	Tanner Green	Tommy Greene
Kim Hardin	Kennedy Harris	Sandra Harrison
Faye Jessup	Phil Jessup	Brianna Jones
Eleanor Knox	Beverly Lay	Greta Loyless
Dave Morrison	Mike & Melissa Mullis	Eliza Noles
Will Page	Bill Paisley	Eleanor Pickett
Tootsie Powers	Wesley Robinson	Chandler Rogers
Joel Rykard	Patty Sandoval	Danny Sheffield
Andi Smith	Ray Smith	Sue Thomas
Kay Thompson	Phil & Jan West	The family of Dianne Burton

**Joy Fellowship — Thursday, March 5th at 12:00 PM**  
 Join us for a time of food and fellowship. Bring a couple of your favorite dishes to share. Leah Roland, with the Dodge County Health Department, will be here to talk about vaccines and help us understand what is needed.

**Meals on Wheels Drivers**  
 We are in need of a few substitute drivers for the Meals on Wheels program. We are scheduled to deliver every seven weeks and need some folks on stand-by that we can count on. If you might be interested please contact Raymoth Evans.

**Collaboration With Middle Georgia State**  
 I have been in touch with Middle Georgia State about our church reaching out to the students as an outreach ministry. They are in favor of it and offered me several different ways in which to engage with the students. I think our best option will be to develop a flyer which they post on their bulletin boards and something digital that would show on their campus TV's. They did recommend not using the word "adopting" as it could be confusing or off-putting to some students. They recommend "sponsored, supported, or spiritually mentored" which will work fine. What I need now is to judge your response as to how many will be willing to get involved. If you could let me know if you would be interested and how many students you would like to mentor please let me or Cathy know so we can start putting a volunteer list together. I would say that this is probably a program that would get off the ground next fall with the new school year.

**Offering/Budget Update**  
 Weekly average needed: \$5,410.98  
 Last Sunday's contribution: \$ 5,905.00

**Attendance**  
 Sunday School: 31  
 Worship Service: 68

**This Week @ Eastman First**  
**Monday**  
 6:00 PM - Choir Practice  
**Tuesday**  
 10:30 AM - Uplifters  
 12:00 PM - Brown Bag Book Study  
**Wednesday**  
 6:00 PM - Youth  
**Thursday**  
 6:00 PM - Small Group (Open Door Rm.)  
 6:00 PM - RiseUp Recovery Community Listening Session in Sanctuary  
**Sunday**  
 9:00 AM - Fellowship Breakfast  
 9:30 AM - Sunday School  
 10:30 AM - Worship Service  
 11:30 AM - Operations Council Meeting

**Fellowship Breakfast**  
 2/22: Mary & Steve Kirkley  
 3/1: Susan & Mitchell Coffee  
 3/8: Scooter Harrington  
 3/15: Patty & Dave Morrison

**Nursery For Ages 4 and Under**  
 2/22: Patty Harrell, Mary Surginer  
 3/1: Jodi Brewer, Mackenzie Snyder  
 3/8: Jennifer Johnson, Caroline Eaton  
 3/15: Kristin Tanner & Charleigh Snyder

**Sound & Slides**  
 2/22: Mike Johnson, Dee Snyder  
 3/1: Patty Morrison, Graham Snyder  
 3/8: Ash Brewer, Kristin Tanner  
 3/15: Mike Johnson, Jodi Brewer

**Acolyte Rotation**  
 2/22: Mary Surginer  
 3/1: Charleigh Snyder  
 3/8: Caroline Eaton  
 3/15: Eden Harrell

**Money Counters**  
 2/23: Shirley Adler, Robyn Veal

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