



Broad Street

United Methodist Church

36 E. Broad Street, Burlington, NJ 08016

Rev. Dr. Temaris L. Moore, Pastor

March 9, 2025

First Sunday in Lent

Welcome! We are happy you are here today.
The order of worship is found in this bulletin.
*Indicates congregation stands, if able.

PRELUDE

Judy Schetler

GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Temaris

*CALL TO WORSHIP (read responsively)

Pastor Temaris

Here in this place, there are no foreigners, for all are welcome in God's house.

Here in this worship, there is only acceptance, for love is the language of faith.

Here in our lives, there are no divisions, for God dwells in each of us.

Come, let us worship in unity and love.

~ Adapted from The Abingdon Worship Annual Posted on the Ministry Matters website. <http://www.ministrymatters.com/>

*HYMN

Come! Come! Everybody Worship (vs. 1, 2, & 5)

TFWS 2271

OPENING PRAYER (pray together)

Julia Sourwine

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name.

Make known God's deeds among the peoples!

God blesses us with gifts of love:

with food and clothing, home and family.

God blesses us with daily work:

and all we need from day to day.

God protects us in time of danger:

and guards us from every evil.

God calls us into relationship with him:

and forms us into one holy people,

the Church of Jesus Christ in this place.

Therefore shall we offer thanks and praise to the Lord our God.

O Lord our God, we will give thanks to you forever.

~written by the Rev. Thomas L. Weitzel, a pastor of the ELCA, and posted on Liturgy by TLW.

SELECTION

Above All

Praise Band

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Laura Sourwine

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (pray together)

Julia Sourwine

O God, open our understanding of the Scriptures. Help us to see the possibilities you set before us as your children when we turn from our lies and live by your truth. Strengthen our faith and our love. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

~phpc.org/images/PrayersforIllumination.pdf

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| PSALTER | <i>Psalm 91</i> (led by Cyrrus Bernaldes) | UMH 810-811 |
| SCRIPTURE LESSON | Deuteronomy 26:1-11 | <i>Cyrrus Bernaldes</i> |
| ANTHEM | <i>Rise Up Early in the Morning</i> (Susan Naylor Callaway) | Sanctuary Choir |
| THE MESSAGE | Surrender and Sacrifice | Pastor Temaris |
| HYMN | I Surrender All (vs 1, 2, & 4) | UMH 354 |

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS TO GOD

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE (pray responsively)

Julia Sourwine

Joining our hearts and minds in prayer, let us call on the name of the Lord, saying: Lord,, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, bless and guide all your church as we prepare to enter the season of Lent. Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Father, we pray for all people around the world. That we may train our eyes, ears and hearts to recognize your Glory in all people. We pray for those in parts of the world being torn apart by war and hatred Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Mighty God, we pray that you will bless and guide all in authority. Direct this and every nation in the ways of justice and of peace. We bring before you the leaders of our world and ask that they may seek your Glory rather than their own in all they say and do. Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Father God, we thank you for our local community, our families and friends. We thank you that you love us all, even when we do not demonstrate our Christian values. We pray for your healing and reconciliation in lite of our transgressions Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, we thank you for our homes, justice systems, local government, and education. We ask for your blessings on all those who care for us and serve us in this parish. Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, we place into your gentle hands those who are in need of your comfort and healing, who suffer in body mind or spirit. Ease their pain, and heal the damage done to them in body, mind or spirit. Be with them through the support of everyone who cares for them. Help them to be aware that they are always surrounded by your everlasting arms. Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Faithful God, in next week of Lent, may we reflect your love in the way we live our lives so the world can see that we are followers of Christ, And that by our words and actions we may draw others into your loving care. Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

~ adapted from a post on standrewholycross.org/prayers-for-this-sunday

Now let us pray for our own needs and those of others dear to our hearts.

We pray for _____

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS TO GOD

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Pastor Temaris

OFFERTORY SELECTION

Still

Praise Band

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

OFFERTORY PRAYER (pray together)

Pastor Temaris

Heavenly Father, thank you that you can satisfy our every desire and need. Your word says that we should give honor to you with the first fruits of our wealth. Accept our tithes and offerings as a gift of worship to you. Multiply what we give for the effective growth of your kingdom. May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith so that we, being rooted and grounded in love, may have the strength to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge. May we be filled with all the fullness of God. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

~connectusfund.org/10-best-prayers-for-tithes-and-offerings

WE SCATTER TO SERVE CHRIST IN THE WORLD

*HYMN

Here I Am (vs 1)

UMH 593

*WORDS OF BLESSINGS (pray together)

Pastor Temaris

“With hearts full of gratitude, we close today. We’re thankful for the opportunity to gather, learn, and grow in your love. May our hearts be filled with your grace as we depart from this place. We appreciate the wisdom shared and the connections made. Bless each person here and grant us the strength to carry your message into the world. In your name, we express our thanks and say, Amen.”

~reachrightstudios.com/blog/closing-prayer/#h-thankfulness-prayer

CLOSING CHORUS

Oh How He Loves You and Me

TFWS 2108

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Bulletin Dedication

The bulletin today is given by Spike and Jean Tomer



Please remember our families and friends in prayer

John Robert Chitester, Evelyn Craft, Angie Gallagher, Tom and Linda McElwain, Debra Bogdanowitz, Megan Brown, Shirley Woolman, Jim Conway, Travis Montone, Zachary Montone, Robert Lapaugh, Sharon Durazolapaigh, Susan Curlett, Carolyn Shinn, Dana Painter, Tony Hoffman, Linda Hoffman, Pastor Hilda Covington, Krisen Godfrey, John Venditti, Rosemarie Serlenga, Bobbie Kroh

Requests for inclusion on the prayer list, removal from the list, or to have a name remain on the list longer than two weeks can be emailed to:
office@broadstumc.org or placed in the offering plate.

Please continue to pray for those on the prayer list in previous weeks.

Check out the church website (www.broadstumc.org) for more information on upcoming activities.

Gift Card Store List

Buy gift cards to use at your grocery stores and favorite restaurants, and the church makes money for general expenses.

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| Acme \$25, \$50, \$100 increments | Kohl's \$25, \$100 |
| Applebees \$25, \$50 | Lowes \$25, \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1000 |
| Barnes and Noble \$10, \$25, \$ 100 | Marshall's \$25, \$100 |
| Bath and Body \$10, \$25 | Old Navy \$25, \$100 |
| Boscov's \$25 | Olive Garden \$25, \$100 |
| Burlington Stores \$25 | Panera Bread \$10, \$25, \$50 |
| Carrabba's Italian Grill \$25, \$50 | Sam's Club \$25, \$50, \$100 |
| Cheesecake Factory \$25 | Season's 52 \$25, \$100 |
| Chili's Grill \$25, \$50 | Shop Rite \$25, \$50, \$100 |
| Chipotle Mexican Grill \$10, \$25 | Starbucks, \$10, \$25, \$50 |
| Cracker Barrel \$10, \$25 | Target \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100 |
| Dunkin Donuts \$10, \$25 | Texas Road House \$25, \$100 |
| Five Below \$25 | Visa Gift Cards (no activation fee) \$25, \$50, \$100 |
| Home Depot \$25, \$100, \$500, \$1000 | Walmart \$25, \$50, \$100, \$250 |
| IHOP \$25 | WaWa \$25, \$100 |

Surrender & Sacrifice

Radiant Reflections with Pastor Temaris

5 - Day Devotional

Week of March 9, 2025

Devotional Summary: The season of Lent invites us to reflect on surrender and sacrifice offering God not just our gifts but our hearts, trusting Him completely. Deuteronomy 26:1-11 describes the practice of bringing the first-fruits to the Lord as an act of gratitude and obedience. As we go through this Lenten journey, may we consider how we, too, can give God our first and best, our time, talents, and devotion recognizing that everything we have is a gift from Him.

Day 1: Remembering God's Faithfulness

Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:1-3

Reflection: Before offering their first-fruits, the Israelites were called to remember how God had led them to the Promised Land. Lent is a season of remembrance recalling God's past faithfulness and how He has guided us through trials and seasons of growth.

Prayer: Lord, help me to remember Your faithfulness in my life. As I enter this season of Lent, let my heart be filled with gratitude for all You have done.

Action Step: Take a moment today to reflect on or write down three ways God has been faithful in your life.

Day 2: Offering Our First and Best

Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:4-5

Reflection: Before offering their firstfruits, the Israelites were called to remember how God had led them to the Promised Land. Lent is a season of remembrance—recalling God's past faithfulness and how He has guided us through trials and seasons of growth.

Prayer: Lord, help me to remember Your faithfulness in my life. As I enter this season of Lent, let my heart be filled with gratitude for all You have done.

Action Step: Take a moment today to reflect on or write down three ways God has been faithful in your life.

Day 3: Trusting God with Sacrifice

Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:6-8

Reflection: Sacrifice requires trust. The Israelites had suffered greatly in Egypt, but God delivered them with His mighty power. In Lent, we remember Christ's ultimate sacrifice—one that calls us to trust in God's plan, even when it involves surrendering something dear to us.

Prayer: Father, I trust You with my sacrifices. As I journey through Lent, strengthen my faith to surrender fully to Your will.

Action Step: Reflect on something you are clinging to that God may be calling you to release in faith.

Day 4: Rejoicing in God's Blessings

Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:9-10

Reflection: Even in a season of repentance and fasting, Lent is also a time to rejoice because God is our provider and sustainer. Just as the Israelites celebrated their deliverance, we celebrate the hope we have in Christ. Sacrifice is not about loss; it is about making room for greater blessings.

Prayer: Lord, even in sacrifice, help me to rejoice in Your goodness. May my heart be filled with gratitude and joy in Your presence.

Action Step: Find a way to celebrate God's goodness today—through prayer, worship, or an act of kindness.

Day 5: Worship Through Generosity

Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:11

Reflection: True worship extends beyond personal devotion it impacts those around us. The first-fruits offering was not just for the individual but for the community, including strangers and the needy. Our Lenten sacrifices should not only deepen our faith but also bless others through acts of generosity and love.

Prayer: Father, make my worship a reflection of Your love. Teach me to live generously, serving those around me with joy.

Action Step: Find a way to bless someone in need today as an act of worship.

Reflection

CALENDAR

Planning ahead... mark your calendars

Sunday School for Children & Adults - 9:45 AM

Sunday Worship - 11:00 AM
(September - mid-June)

Thursdays - 6 PM
Praise Band Practice in Lucas Hall

Thursdays - 7 PM
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal in Lucas Hall

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