

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude/Special Offering

● **Call to Worship**

O fill our cup, dear Lord.

Let it overflow!

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Let our cup overflow! Let it overflow with love!

● **Invocation**

● **Sounds of Faith:** #166 - Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

● **Prayer of Confession**

When we stay silent, when we do not acknowledge what we need to change,

we waste away. Our guilt turns into shame that eats away at us like a poison.

God calls us to repent and be healed; let us turn to God.

Merciful One, we are so easily tempted.

We turn away from your word so quickly.

We seek anything that claims to save us from discomfort, inconvenience, pain, fear, and emptiness.

But these are false idols, dissolving in the wind.

You are our true hope and salvation, our hiding place, our guide, our guardian.

We confess our transgressions to you: forgive our sins.

Be glad in the Lord and rejoice! God does not count our sins against us,

but offers us a free gift of righteousness. Thanks be to God!

● **Congregational Response:** #604 - Lamb of God

Children's Message: Dr. Paul Casner

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading - Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7 (Liturgist, Debby Barnard)

*The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die" . . . Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.' " But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves. The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God.***

Choir Anthem: Take My Voice, And Let Me Sing ~ By: Kupperschmidt

Scripture Reading – Matthew 4:1-11

*Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread. "But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone ,but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.' " Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.' " Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.' " Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.' " Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him. The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God.***

Meditation: Dr. Paul Casner

● **Sounds of Hope:** #757 - Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

● **Affirmation of Faith** (From Matthew 4)

Life offers us many shortcuts to fulfillment. It challenges us to do the easy thing, and to give in to temptation. Let us remember, however, the example of Jesus. When tempted by the shortcuts offered by the devil, Jesus trusted instead in the promises of God. Jesus taught us that the bread of God alone can offer us a happy and fulfilled life. Amen.

Giving and Offertory

Doxology

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

...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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

- **Sounds of Love:** #697 - Take My Life
- **Benediction**

Postlude

The (●) dot in the order of worship invites you to stand as you are able. Text in **bold** indicates unison reading.



March 1 – Book Group, 1:30pm; Logos, 5:30pm (“Volcanoes & Ice Cream Cones”); Agape, 6pm, (“Team Trivia”, Meal from Jim ‘N Nick’s Bar-B-Q - Pulled Chicken Barbecue Sandwiches, Mac & Cheese, Baked Beans, Cheddar Biscuits) ****If you’d like to attend the Agape Meal, please sign up at the back of the sanctuary or contact the church office by Noon tomorrow.**

March 8 - Book Group, 1:30pm; Logos, 5:30pm (“Kindness is Trending”); Agape, 6pm

March 14 – Dot New Circle, 10am

March 15 & 22 – Spring Break – No Book Group, Logos or Agape

March 16 – Men’s Fellowship Dinner, Location TBD

March 29 - Book Group, 1:30pm; Logos, 5:30pm (“Chubby Bunny Videos are Trending”); Agape, 6pm.

Pastoral Care Team: Chairs - Tina O'Connor and Joy Roark; Members - Velma Bartley, Janet Benge, Melanie Caskey, Malee Cherry, Rose Christian, Ann Cox, Charlene Dodson, Diane Ingram, Grace Lewis, Ann Marie McFarland, Betty Polk, Jim & Ruth White, Kim Yearwood, Jill York

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2. Online at donelsonpres.org – Click the “Giving” tab on the homepage
3. Text DPCGIVE and any amount to 73256

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Sharing the Love of Christ



We warmly welcome all who have come to worship with us today. If you are a guest at Donelson Presbyterian Church, we encourage you to fill out a yellow visitor card which you will find in the pew.

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Fill It Up February/Fill Up Your Life

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