

Second Sunday in Lent

But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me" (Mark 8:33-34, NRSV).

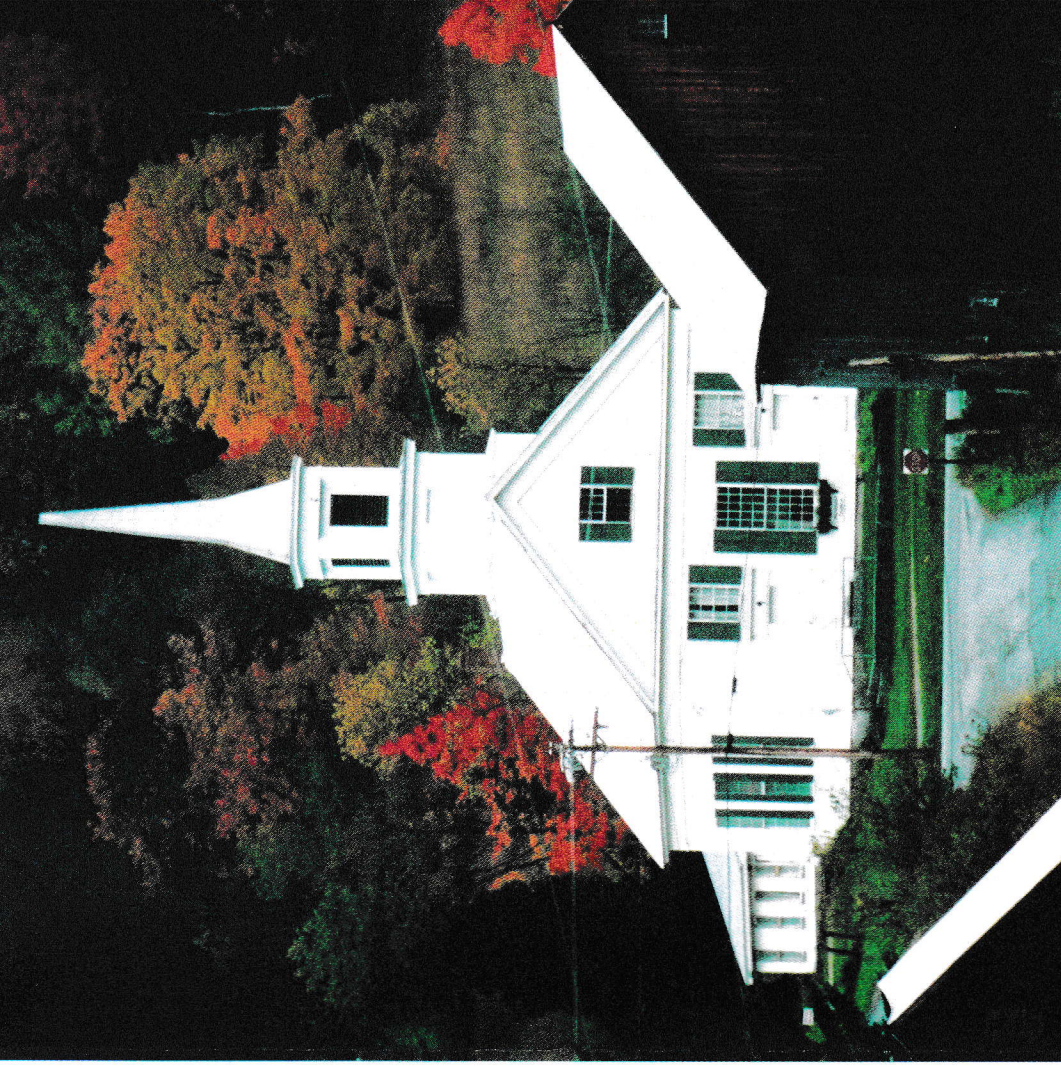
Following Jesus means following him to his death, and possibly our own. Jesus tells the disciples he will suffer and die at the hands of the religious authorities. Peter rebukes him privately, but Jesus rebukes Peter in front of all the other disciples. Jesus then turns to the crowds to declare that all who want to be his followers must take up their cross and follow him. If you're in this for yourself, you will lose everything. But if you're in this to follow Jesus and see the gospel lived, even if you die, you've gained it all.

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'Blessed is the one who comes
IN THE NAME OF THE
LORD'



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Our Worship on February 21, 2016
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Welcome! "Come to me," says the Lord,
"all who are weary and carrying heavy
burdens, for I will give you rest." O Lord,
we have come. Let Your Word lodge in
each heart and mind, that together we may
be mended, strengthened, enlightened, and
challenged. Amen!

We invite you to remain after Worship
and enjoy some refreshments and friendly conversation.

PRAISING GOD TOGETHER

Announcements – *Please sign and pass the red friendship books.*
Opening Devotion and Prayer
Singing Praises to Jesus
Greeting Each Other and Welcoming Our Guests

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Pastoral Prayer
Scripture Reading: Luke 11:1-13 Bible Pg. 721
Message by Pastor Ken Gardner: "Just Say A Prayer."

POWER FOR MINISTRY

Offering Our Gifts to God
Doxology: *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.*
Closing Song: "I am a Friend of God."

Prayer of Blessing on Everyone

WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY: Sunday School teachers and volunteers will meet after worship on Sunday March 6th, to take an inventory of classroom supplies as we prepare for the start of PUMES Quartz Hill After School Program. We will be throwing a lot of old supplies away, so if you want something kept, please be there to give us your input.

TUESDAY:

6:30 PM – Women's Bible Study
7:00 PM – Men's Bible Study

WEDNESDAY:

9:00 AM – Prayers & Squares
9:30 AM – *Discipleship for Busy People* – Session 18

THURSDAY – SUNDAY – Boy's Chrysalis Flight here at COSUMC. Please keep them prayer as they discover the love of Jesus.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar. 7th – American Red Cross Blood Drive - Noon – 6:30 PM
Mar. 13 – Celebration Potluck for David and Andrea Gutierrez immediately follows the service.
Mar. 20th – Palm Sunday
Mar. 25th – Good Friday – Stations of the Cross – Prime Desert Woodlands
Mar. 27th – Easter Sunday Services
Apr. 22nd – Emmaus Gathering
Apr. 30th - North District Conference
May 19-21 – Conversational Prayer Workshop with Rev. Jeffrey Elmore

EXTRAS:

BIRTHDAYS: David Gutierrez – Feb. 20th; Robert Abrams – Feb. 21st; Ruth Saclolo – Feb. 27th.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please contact Pastor Ken Gardner for prayer requests. Call the church office (943-2774) or email cosumc@gmail.com.

“ENCOURAGED, EMPOWERED, ENRICHED” Series #2

Message #3 of 3

“Just Pray Boldly”

*God wants us to shamelessly, boldly, aggressively
and trustingly come to him as a child comes to a father,
asking for all of our needs.*

Luke 11:1-13

February 21, 2016

Some First Observations:

PRAY ...

- “One day Jesus was praying in a certain place.” – v.1
- “Lord, teach us to pray.” – v.1b
- “Jesus said to them ‘When you pray, say’ ...” – v.2

GIVE ...

- “Give us each day our daily bread.” – v.3
- “Give you anything” – v.7b
- “Give him bread” – v.8a
- “Give him as much as he needs.” – v.8b

ASK ...

- “Ask and it will be given to you.” – v.9
- “For everyone who asks receives.” – v.10
- “If your son asks for a fish.” – v.11
- “If he asks for an egg.” – v.12
- “How much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him.” – v.13

1. BOTHER & BOLDNESS

- “Then the one inside answers, ‘Don’t bother me.’” – v.7
- “Yet because of the man’s boldness he will get up.” – v.8

Boldness -

- Shamelessness
- Rudeness
- Discourtesy
- Constantly

*‘Even though I don’t fear God or care about men, yet because this widow keeps **bothering** me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won’t eventually wear me out with her coming!’” – Luke 18:4-5*

“What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous people in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing — to kill the righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and the wicked alike. Far be it from you! Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?” – Genesis 18:24-25

Moses said to the LORD, “You have been telling me, ‘Lead these people,’ but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, ‘I know you by name and you have found favor with me.’ If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this nation is your people.”” – Exodus 33:12-13

2. FATHER & CHILD

- “Father, hallowed be your name.” – v.2
- “Which of you fathers ...” – v.11
- “If you (fathers) being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children ...” – v.13a
- “How much more will your Father in heaven give ... to those who ask him!” – v.13b

*“Yet to **all who** received **him**, to **those who** believed in **his** name, he gave the right to become **children of God.**” – John 1:12*

3. GOOD GIFTS & THE HOLY SPIRIT

- “If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!” – Luke 11:13

“Your father gives you what you would have asked for, if you knew what he knows.” – Timothy Keller