Announcements

Sun. Feb. 27 th	Sunday School Worship Service "The Hour Has Come" John 12:23b-28 <i>Mtg. after church for those interested in</i> <i>Prayer Study in the Library</i> Choir Practice	9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m. <i>n the Disciple</i> 2:00 p.m.
Mon. Feb. 28	Long Range Planning Neuse Baptist Assoc. Exec Brd. Mtg. At NBA Office/LaGrange	11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Mar. 2	Wednesday Bible Study Ash Wednesday Service	3:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
Sun. Mar. 6 th	Deacons Meeting Sunday School Worship Service "The Cleansing of Christ" John 13:1-31 Choir Practice	8:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m.
Tue. Mar. 8 th	Leadership Meeting	4:00 p.m.
Wed. Mar. 9 th	Wednesday Bible Study	3:00 p.m.

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The Worship of God – February 27, 2022 SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

COMMUNION WITH GOD

Meditation and Silent Prayer

PreludeMichael Cowan and Michell Eguez Hymns of the Faith

Welcome, Announcements, and ConcernsDr. H. Powell Dew, Jr.

PRAISE AND ADORATION

Call to Worship......Hymn 249 Glorify Thy Name by Donna Adkins

> Father, we love You We worship and adore You Glorify Thy Name in all the earth

Chorus: Glorify Thy Name Glorify Thy Name Glorify Thy Name in all the earth

- Jesus, we love You We worship and adore You Glorify Thy Name in all the earth *Chorus*
- 3. Spirit, we love You We worship and adore You Glorify Thy Name in all the earth *Chorus*

Prayer of Adoration and InvocationShorty Hill

Hymn of Creation and Providence......Hymn 43 *This Is My Father's World* by Maltbie D. Babcock

- This is my Father's world, And to my list'ning ears, All nature sings, and round me rings The music of the spheres. This is my Father's world, I rest me in the thought Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.
- 2. This is my Father's world, The birds their carols raise; The morning light, the lily white Declare their Maker's praise. This is my Father's world, He shines in all that's fair; In the rustling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me ev'ry-where.
- 3. This is my Father's world,
 O let me ne'er forget
 That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
 God is the Ruler yet.
 This is my Father's world,
 The battle is not done;
 Jesus who died shall be satisfied,
 And earth and heaven be one.

Children's Lesson......My Soul Is Troubled



Theme: Glorifying God in time of trouble

Object: A worry stone.

Scripture: "Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name!" Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and will glorify it again." ²⁹ The crowd that was there

and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him. John 12:27-29 (NIV)

I don't know where I got this stone. Perhaps I found it on the ground or maybe someone gave it to me. I have had it for a long time, but had forgotten about it until I found it a few days ago in a desk drawer in my office. As you can see, it is small and flat and fits into my hand in such a way that I can rub it with my thumb. Many people carry a stone like this in their pocket. They call it a "worry stone." Whenever they are troubled about something, they just reach into their pocket and rub the worry stone. They believe that rubbing the smooth surface of the stone gives them a peaceful feeling and helps them to quit worrying about their troubles.

I don't carry this worry stone in my pocket. That doesn't mean that I never have any trouble in my life, it is just that I don't find that rubbing on a stone helps keep me from worrying about the troubles in my life. If we really want to know what we should do when we face trouble in our life, we should look at what Jesus did.

Just a few days before he was to be crucified, Jesus said, "Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name!" Jesus knew that he was going to die on the cross. He could have asked God to save him. Instead, he only asked that his Father's name would be glorified.

Why do troubles come into our life? I believe that troubles come for the very reason that Jesus said -- so that God's name will be glorified. I have known people who followed the example of Jesus when they faced trouble in their life. I have even known people who faced death with such courage and faith that God's name was glorified. Wouldn't it be pleasing to God if all of us faced trouble in such a way that His name is glorified?

Dear Father, we all face trouble in our daily life. Instead of asking you to take them away, let us ask that you help us to face those troubles in such a way that your name will be glorified. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

WORSHIP THROUGH WORD AND PRAYER

Scripture Reading	John	12:23b-	-28
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Prayer of Intercession Dr. Dew (Please review our prayer list and pray for those listed.)

Hymn of Evangelism and Missions......Hymn 593 Lift High the Cross by George W. Kitchin

Refrain:

Lift High the Cross, the love of Christ proclaims Till all the world adore His sacred Name

- 1. Come Christians follow where our Savior trod, Our King victorious, Christ the son of God. *Refrain*
- 2. O Lord once lifted on this glorious tree, As thou hast promised, draw men unto Thee. *Refrain*
- 3. For Thy blest cross which doth for all atone, Creation's praises raise before Thy throne. *Refrain*
- 4. So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise to the Crucified for victory! *Refrain*

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC AND GIVING



An offering plate is placed in the vestibule for your tithes and offerings. You may also use the enclosed envelope in your weekly packet to mail your tithes and offerings to the church.

Musical Selection.....Choir When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Instrumental MusicMichael Cowan When I Can Read My Title Clear by Mark Hayes

WORSHIP THROUGH PROCLAMATION



WORSHIP THROUGH RESPONSE

Hymn of Invitation and Acceptance......Hymn 305 I Have Decided to Follow Jesus an Indian Folk Song

- 1. I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus: I have decided to follow Jesus: No turning back, no turning back.
- 2. Tho' none go with me, I still will follow; Tho' none go with me, I still will follow; Tho' none go with me, I still will follow; No turning back, no turning back.
- 3. My cross I'll carry, till I see Jesus; My cross I'll carry, till I see Jesus; My cross I'll carry, till I see Jesus; No turning back, no turning back.
- 4. The world behind me, the cross before me; The world behind me, the cross before me: The world behind me, the cross before me; No turning back, no turning back.

BenedictionDr. Dew

PostludeMichael Cowan and Michell Eguez A Parting Hymn



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The hour has come salvations' plan to fulfil. The time is here and I need to climb that hill. Each painful step carrying a heavy cross; There's no other way to pay sins awful cost.

I've been whipped scourged, forced to wear a crown of thorns as men and priests jeer at me, while heaven mourns. I hang upon the cross bearing this world's shame to pay that awful price carrying away their shame.

And through the shearing pain of my nail pierced flesh I plead to You to forgive their wickedness. Father, forgive them; they know not what they do, for I still love them, and know that You do too.