



Malachi 3: 6 – 10 Revised Standard Version

⁶ "For I the LORD do not change; therefore you, O sons of Jacob, are not consumed. ⁷ From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you, says the LORD of hosts. But you say, 'How shall we return?' ⁸ Will man rob God? Yet you are robbing me. But you say, 'How are we robbing thee?' In your tithes and offerings. ⁹ You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing me; the whole nation of you. ¹⁰ Bring the full tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house; and thereby put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing.

Rev. W. Russell Freeman, Sr.

Pastor

Rev. Emily Kirby
Associate Pastor

JANUARY 24, 2021

3RD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

GREEN

8:30 & 11:00 AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

PRELUDE	<i>"Because He Lives"</i>	Sally Koontz
ANNOUNCEMENTS		Rev. Emily Kirby
SCRIPTURE	Malachi 3: 6 – 10	
SERMON	<i>"A Decreasing Overabundance"</i>	Rev. Russell Freeman
OFFERTORY	<i>"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"</i>	Sally Koontz
PRAYER LORD'S PRAYER		Rev. Emily Kirby
BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE	<i>"I Want to Walk As A Child of the Light"</i>	Sally Koontz

Kelly Campman
Music Director

Sally Koontz
Pianist/Organist

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 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 and ever. Amen.

In Person Worship Guidelines/Rules

Remember that in order to "safely" conduct "in person" services during these difficult times of COVID-19 and social distancing we have developed guidelines. They may be long and cumbersome to read and remember but we all must be vigilant. So with that in mind, as much as you would LOVE to speak and stop to chat with someone, please:

- Follow the usher to your seat
- Once seated, stay in your seat, unfortunately it is not safe to leave and socialize.
- After the service please follow the exit procedure and walk to the exit when it is your turn to proceed. It is not safe for you or others to stop talk and socialize when exiting.

We all must follow the rules so that we can continue to worship in person. Do you realize that there are some churches that are now back to only streaming services because of virus outbreaks? Let's try not to do that and follow the rules.

Pick Up Your Offering Envelopes for 2021

Haven't gotten your offering envelopes for 2021 in the fellowship hall at the church office on Sunday morning when you are here for church service or during the week when the office is open.

Coming soon, we will begin a new Sunday adventure at 9AM!!

Calling All Youth (6th thru 12th grade)

Once we have been given the "all clear" we will be starting a new one hour adventure. Keep a lookout for our starting date as well as details. There will have food and fun!

Subscribe to our LRUMC eBlast

Now more than ever we need to keep in contact with each other. If you are not currently on our weekly e-Blast distribution list we encourage you to do so. By signing up you will be able to receive our weekly e-Blast, links to our bulletins for Sunday Services and on those rare occasions when the Pastors need to get a special note out with changes or other information, you will be informed promptly. To sign up go <https://lrumc.net/2021/01/18/sign-up-for-our-lrumc-e-blast/> there is also a link in our Facebook posts area, or there is a link on our website lrumc.net. We promise not to SPAM you!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Beginning January 12, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. IN A DIGITAL FORUM we will start our weekly meetings for our 2021 Women's Bible Study. This study will move to an in-person meeting as soon as it is safely possible. For the interim season, we will use the Zoom platform to gather together. To access the meeting space please click: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83348154530>. We will be using Dr. Kimberly D. Moore's *The Bible in 52 Weeks, A Year-Long Bible Study for Women*. This can be purchased through Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and other book store locations. For questions please contact Rev. Emily Kirby, elkirby@umcsc.org

UPDATE FOR RIVER KIDS MINISTRY

Following the increase in the presence of COVID-19 in our community, and to ensure the safety of those who participate and lead our River Kids ministry, it has been decided that we will return to digital River Kids worship beginning this Sunday through the remainder of January and February. At such time we will assess the next season. This is a difficult decision, but one that we believe will allow for our church family, and community to be as safe as possible.

In lieu of in-person River Kids Worship, we will be providing digital worship opportunities that include take-home worship kits, to help our digital services be intentional and engaging. These kits will include activities, elements to be used during the worship time, and additional information to put our beliefs into action. To register to receive these monthly worship kits please [CLICK THIS LINK in the church eblast](#). **Kit recipients do not need to be local to our Little River community. If you or your family would like to receive and participate in our ministry please register with the link above.

North Strand Helping Hand is in need of jars of jelly (plastic is preferred) but any kind you can donate will be fine.

THIS WEEK AT LRUMC

Sunday, January 24

- 8:30 Traditional Service In Person
- 9:00 Family Devotion Streaming on Facebook
- 9:30 Contemporary Service In Person
- 10:30 Pairs & Spares Bible Study via Zoom

Monday, January 25

- 10:00 Dignity Ministry, Life Center
- Church Office Closed for Holiday*

Tuesday, January 26

- 11:00 Digital Women's Bible Study, Emily Kirby

Wednesday, January 27

- 12:00 Wednesday Service, In person in sanctuary

Thursday, January 28

- 10:00 Dignity Ministry

Friday, January 29

- 5:00 Shepherd's Table Dinner, Food Pick up only

Our Presence on January 17, 2021

In Person Worship Returning from Covid-19 Church Closing.

8:30 AM	40
9:30 AM	32
11:00 AM	38
Worship Total:	110

OUR PRAYERS

Wayne Baker, Teresa L. Banner, James Barbato, Hilda Barnes, Gordon Best family, Joyce Ann Bolig, Bette Bosworth, Wayne & Jo Booth, Margaret Brainard, Ray Brick, Stacey Brown, Helena Burkey, JoAnne Carrison, Rick Clayton, Bonnie Clore, Ron Colyer, Ed Compton, George Clark, Sharon Cooksey, Teresa & Bud Cox, Fred Crum, Pat Deen, Kathy Devine, Carroll Edwards, Andy Fiorenza, Keith Guido, Betty Guildo, Josh Hancock, Caroline Hester, June Humphreys, Julia Kenney, Hap LaBonge, Bill & Linda Lesler, Bill Lesnick, Jack Loftis, Judy Mattson, Laraine McCaskill, Joe McIlroy, Jeannette McFee, Frankie Melvin, Don & Joyce Miller, Estelle Minicozzi, Mike Mitchell, Beverly Myers & family, Jerry Neuss, Frank Palaia, Rick Patterson, Gary Perkins, Priscilla Rivera, Calvin Saunders, Ron Schultz, Kathy Shipman, Peggy Spitzer, Eukie Stinger, Jane Swanson, Jerry & Barbara Titshaw, Diana Troutt, Blaine Tuttle, Bill Watson, Jim Weeks, Robert Witt, Bonnie Woods

*** Medical Support personnel, First Responders and ALL Essential Workers that are protecting and serving us during this time of need.*

***All military especially those in harm's way.*