#### ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 16, 2025

7:30am

GATHERING MUSIC Cheryl Smith
STEPHEN MINISTRY & D.R. MISSION RECOGNITION
Rev. Dave St. Aubin

WELCOME & GREETING TIME

**PRELUDE** 

Cheryl

"Were You There?" (arr. Dale Wood)

\*CALL to WORSHIP

Pastor Bob Haley

\*HYMN

#166 All Praise To Thee, For Thou O King Divine

\*AFFIRMATION of FAITH

Pastor Bob

#881 Apostles' Creed & Gloria Patri

PRAISES

Cheryl

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER Pastor Bob

OFFERING

"Open Our Eyes Lord"

\*DOXOLOGY & OFFERING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING

**Gail Finney** 

Psalm 32:1-6 (TLB)

SERMON SERIES: Grace Changes Everything

"Guilt And Grace"

Rev. Dave St. Aubin

\*CLOSING HYMN (The Altar is open for prayer at this time.)

#365 Grace Greater Than Our Sin

\*BENEDICTION & BLESSING

Rev. Dave

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SECOND SUNDAYIN





1475 CENTER RD. VENICE F1, 34292 (941) 493-7504 CHRISTVENICE.COM 9:00am

\*Opening Praise - Pastor John Boggs & Praise Team "God Of This City"

Welcome - Rev. Dave St. Aubin

Stephen Ministry & D.R. Mission Recognition

\*Greeting Time

\*Call to Worship - Pastor John Boggs

\*Praises

"Goodness of God"

"Amazing Grace"

Children's Chat - Pastor Bob Haley

Children 5th Grade and under to Children's Church

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer - Pastor Bob

Offering

"Another In The Fire"

Scripture Reading - Janet Shahan

Psalm 32:1-6 (TLB)

Sermon Series: Grace Changes Everything

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\*Closing Praise

"No Longer Slaves"

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Sanctuary (S) Prayer Room (S - PR) Choir Room (S - CR) Memorial Hall (MH)
Conf. Rm. (MH - CR) Parlor (MH - P) Family Life Center (FLC)

An enlarged print copy of the bulletin that includes the Order of Worship and hymns for today's 7:30 am and 11:00 am services is available at the Welcome Desk.



## **Stephen Minister Commissioning**

Today we celebrate the commissioning of eight caring members of our congregation whose training and spiritual gifts equip them as Stephen Ministers. As we send them forth to minister, let us thank God for the love and the generosity that inspired their response

to God's call, and let us pray for the success of this caring ministry. Christ Venice has been a Stephen Ministry congregation since 1993, and this is our 19<sup>th</sup> class. Congratulations to:

Esther Baxendale, Paula Gerow, Larry Littman, JR Mathews, Bill Schaid, Brian Smillie, Cary Vastola, and Nancy Vastola.

## **Afternoon Movie Today!**

"The Forge" is the true story by the Kendrick Brothers. Wounded by his past, Isaiah Wright is a year out of high school with no job, no direction and no idea how the prayers of his mother and mentorship of his new boss will affect the trajectory of his life. 2pm in Memorial Hall. Hosted by Mike and Jan Mandt.

## Prayer for 40 Days for Life

Our church's day for onsite prayer in Sarasota is **Thursday, March 20**. Contact Rhonda Eynon 913-486-6729.

## **Youth In Action: Parent Info Meetings**

- Wilderness Trail (www.WTrail.com) Thursday, March 20, 6 pm,
   FLC. Youth backpacking and adventure travel date is July 13 20.
- Youth Mission Trip, Monday, March 24, 6 pm, FLC. Join youth, parents, and leaders interested in participating in our upcoming Youth Mission Trip to our Nation's Capitol in June 2025.

## Pathways Deadline, Thurs, March 20

Articles for next month's Pathways Newsletter need to be in to the church office no later than Thursday. Please email articles, and photos if you have them, to Michele@ChristVenice.com.

## All States Dinner, Fri, March 28

Dinner tickets are on sale for \$15 per person, while children under the age of 12 are free. Join our Church Family for a fun evening as you dine with people from the same state as you. To volunteer, contact Lake or Lynn Barrett at 941-445-4873 or Lake@Lbarrett.com.

#### **Blood Drive**

The OneBlood Mobile Bus is on campus Sunday, March 30, 8:30 am - 1:30 pm. All donors will receive a OneBlood t-shirt and a \$20 e-gift card.

## **Leadership Board Letter to Church:**

#### **Appointment Process & Update**

Our church is going through the Global Methodist Church's Conference Appointment Process to fill the vacancy of the Lead Pastor office left by Pastor John Guliano's retirement. Our Leadership Board and the GMC Florida Conference were notified by Pastor Dave St. Aubin that he would be interested in being appointed as our Lead Pastor.

The appointment process is set by the GMC, one part of which requires the Leadership Board to submit details about our congregation, community, and desired attributes for a Lead Pastor. The conference leaders take great effort and prayerful discernment to match our church's context and needs with the best possible individual to meet those needs. The ultimate decision falls upon the conference as to who will be appointed as Lead Pastor. This process is not based on popular vote but rather a prayerful discernment of gifts and graces that all involved do not take lightly.

As we seek God's will be done, we must be in prayer for the church, the conference, and the individual who will ultimately be placed in this role. We have been through this process in the past, and we will continue to be a church dedicated to serving this community in the name of Jesus Christ.

## **Lenten Daily Prayer Prompts**

Jump into use of the Lenten prayer guide to encourage you during this Holy Season. Pick up your copy in the Narthex or the entry to Memorial Hall.





There will be a Memorial Service for Jane Shipps Saturday, March 29, at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary with a reception in the Memorial Hall Dining Room to follow.

ATTENDANCE 3-9-25					
7:30 Worship	75		Sunday School		91
9:00 Worship	199 +	online 63	Children		4
11:00 Worship	355 +	online 63	Youth		20
Pastor's Wed. Bib	le Study 91		Special Needs		4
TITHES & OFFERINGS	3-9-25	YTD		INCOME	EXPENSES
General	26,075	354,826	Feb.	147,111	127,999
Reserve Fund	130	1,245	YTD	306,279	253,965
Missions (3/1-2/28)	5,202	11,152			