

February 23, 2020

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

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Transfiguration Sunday

11:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE Chorale Prelude on "Glory to God on High"

J.S. Bach

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 63

Leader: O God, you are my God.

I seek you, my soul thirsts for you.

People: I have looked upon you in the sanctuary.

I have beheld your power and glory.

Leader: Your steadfast love is better than life.

People: I will bless you as long as I live.

I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

*HYMN No. 288

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of High Places, you invite us into your divine presence, but we confess that we dismiss your call.

You seek to forge a relationship with us while we choose to look out only for ourselves.

You offer us the road to salvation, but we are too busy blazing our own trails in search of something that is not you.

Forgive us and help us to appreciate the gravity of your holy being. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: You are God's beloved. With you, God is well

pleased. You are renewed and restored. You are forgiven and loved. You are a new creation in

Christ. You are the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to

God!

^{*} Those who are able are invited to stand.

*GLORIA PATRI Hymn No. 579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen, Amen.

*THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 24:12-18

The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud.

Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel.

Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain.

Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

ANTHEM Christ, Upon the Mountain Stands Robert Lehman

Christ, upon the mountain stands, vision of the Father's blessing; blazing forth to all the lands, saints and angels now professing. Radiant Son of God divine; Jesus, now in glory shines!

Law and prophets have their place in the cloud of wondrous glory; chosen witnesses of grace, there to see and tell the story. Radiant Son of God divine; Jesus, now in glory shines!

God, in majesty, descents, then proclaims to all before him: This is my beloved Son! Nations, come now and adore him. Radiant Son of God divine; Jesus, now in glory shines!

Faithful hearts we lift on high, joyful strains, our voices raising for this vision's mystery, songs of wonder, hymns of praise.

Radiant Son of God divine; Jesus, now in glory shines,

Jesus in glory shines!

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Michael Schulte

SERMON Brick by Brick Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN No. 282

If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee

*Affirmation of Faith

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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Two Variations on Agincourt

Gary Bachlund

*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. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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SENDING FORTH

*HYMN No. 276

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

- *CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
- *CHORAL RESPONSE

*Postlude

Toccata "Deo Gracias"

Richard Keys Biggs

WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. For more information, please speak to the pastor at the close of the service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner

February 26, 6:00 p.m.

Pancakes and Sausage
Prepared by Lyle Landscaping

To make a reservation, please call the church office at (615) 444-1360 by Tuesday.

Our **Ash Wednesday Service** will be held following the pancake supper and will feature the traditional Imposition of Ashes.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held today at 10:45 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to hold the Annual Meeting of the Congregation and hear the Annual Statistical Report.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped to make the Deacons' Chili Day a success this year.

The **4 Cents a Meal** offering will be received today. Please use the yellow pew envelope.

THIS WEEK AT FPC					
Today		Wednesday			
8:45 a.m.	Worship	6:00 p.m.	Fellowship Meal		
9:45 a.m.	Church School	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice		
9:45 a.m.	Outreach Meeting	6:45 p.m.	Ash Wednesday		
10:45 a.m.	Congregational	_	Service		
	Meeting	Thursday			
11:00 a.m.	Worship	9:00 a.m.	Preschool		
Monday		6:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts #434		
6:00 p.m.	Disciple Class	6:30 p.m.	Praise Team		
Tuesday	-	Friday			
9:00 a.m.	Preschool	Saturday			
		7:00 p.m.	Compassionate		
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ELDERS

Class of 2020	Class of 2021	Class of 2022
Pat Bone	Suanne Bone	Becky Burris
Robin Orewiler	Don Goodwin	Jessica Fain
Wayne Patton	Adrienne Johnson	Sara Sloane
Kim Wall	David Howell	Mickey Stueck

DIACONATE

Class of 2020	Class of 2021	Class of 2022
Sondra Bishop	Becky Harm	Jack Emmert
Marty Bone	Lee Lyle	Marilyn Peyton
Linda Gatlin	Sandra Patton	Laura Simmons
Pat Hatcher	Emily Peyton	Margaret Ann Trail

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell
Treasurer – John Foutch
Budget & Finance – Becky Burris
Buildings and Grounds – David Howell
Christian Education – Mickey Stueck
Congregational Care – Adrienne Johnson
Outreach – Robin Orewiler
Personnel – Sara Sloane
Worship – Pat Bone

STAFF

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation
Pastor – Sherard Edington
Director of Music – Branson Clark
Organist – J. D. Plant
Director of Christian Education – Michael Schulte
Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent
Preschool Director – Angela Hankins
Nursery – Sara Brown
Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Children
Nursery
Preschool – 1st Grade
Elementary Class
Youth Class

Kadult
Cross Roads Class
Faith Builders Class
Westminster Class
Women's Class

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