



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 6, 2022

First Sunday of Lent

11:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

Prelude Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Paul Manz

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 91

Leader: You who live in the shelter of the Most High,

will say to the Lord,

People: "My refuge and my fortress;

my God, in whom I trust."

Leader: Because you have made the Lord your refuge,

People: No evil shall befall you,

Leader: For he will command his angels concerning you

People: To guard you in all your ways.

*HYMN No. 443

O Christ, the Great Foundation

AURELIA

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Lord of Peace, when you call we realize that we are lost in a wilderness of sin. You show us your way, yet we shut our ears to your voice and dismiss your guidance. We confess that we are stubborn and reluctant to change course. In this season of Lent, we pray that you will forgive us our sins and help us to follow our Christ. May we always be open to your healing presence in our troubled world. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: By the transforming power of God's Spirit we can

be changed. Friends, hear the good news:

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

*Sung Response

Hymn No. 82

O Lamb of God most holy! Who on the cross did suffer, And patient still and lowly, Yourself to scorn did offer; Our sins by You were taken, Or hope had us forsaken; Have mercy on us, Jesus!

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

*THE PEACE

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

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 4:1-13

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days Schweizer Lord, who throughout these forty days, For us didst fast and pray.

Teach us with Thee to mourn our sins, And close by Thee to stay.

As Thou with Satan didst contend, And didst the victory win.

Give us strength in Thee to fight, In Thee to conquer sin.

As Thou didst hunger bear and thirst, So teach us, gracious Lord, To die to self, and chiefly live By thy most holy Word. Through these days of penitence, And through Thy Passiontide, Yea, with us in life and death, Jesus, with us abide.

Abide with us, that so, this life Of suffering over past, An Easter of unending joy We may attain at last!

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward

SERMON Disciplines of Faith: Fasting Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN No. 508 For the Bread Which You Have Broken KINGDOM

*Affirmation of Faith

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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. 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.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with You.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again. (repeat)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN NO. 80 Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley Lonesome Valley

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE Sortie Cesar Franck

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.

For WiFi access go to FPC_CONNECT and enter password 6154441360.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE WELCOME Dr. Darryl Nettles as our new organist. A native of New York, he received his doctorate in Vocal Performance and Literature from the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign. He studied organ at the State University of New York at Buffalo. Darryl has performed in operas and as a soloist with the Nashville Symphony. He is also a published author, a composer, and a jazz musician. As a Full Professor at Tennessee State University, he teaches applied voice, Opera History Survey, Opera Workshop, the Symphony, Music History Survey, Junior/Senior Recital, Sophomore Theory II, Conducting, and is a collaborative pianist. He is also a brand-new grandfather.

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH – First Presbyterian Women of the Church will gather on Monday, March 14, at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a sandwich or salad for lunch. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Friends are always welcome.

SPRING SPEAKER SERIES: Join us on Sunday, March 20, at 6:00 p.m. as we welcome Dr. James P. Byrd to First Presbyterian Church. Dr. Byrd will deliver a lecture entitled *The Bible and the American Revolution*. Dr. Byrd is Professor of Religious History and Chair of the Graduate Department of Religion at Vanderbilt Divinity School. His publications include *Sacred Scriptures, Sacred War: The Bible and the American Revolution* and *A Holy Baptism of Fire and Blood: The Bible and the American Civil War*. You won't want to miss this tantalizing lecture on how revolutionaries in America used the Bible to motivate soldiers to fight for the cause of liberty and to justify their rebellion against the British Empire.

DEACONS' CHILI MEAL - The Annual Deacons' Chili Day will be Wednesday, March 23, from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children and can be purchased from any Deacon or the church office. Carry-out boxes will be available. Beef, turkey, and vegetarian chili will be served as well as drinks and dessert.

YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5th -12th grade) –No Youth Group on March 9.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today		Wednesday	
8:45 a.m.	Worship	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
9:45 a.m.	Church School	Thursday	
10:45 a.m.	Congregational Mt	6:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts
11:00 a.m.	Worship	7:00 p.m.	Praise Team
12:15 p.m.	Deacons Meeting	Friday	
Monday		Saturday	
Tuesday		-	

	ELDERS	
Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2023
Jessica Fain	Max Carter	Jackie Cowden
Mickey Stueck	Frank Reeves	Tracey Hay
Pat Bone	David Foutch	
Lee Lyle	Wayne Patton	

	DIACONATE	
Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2024
Jack Emmert	Margaret Carroll	Jonathan Bouton
Marilyn Peyton	Mark Fain	Carol Turner
Laura Simmons	Carol Benson	Van Turner
Margaret Ann Trail	Pat Hatcher	Sandra Weatherford

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell
Treasurer – Robin Orewiler
Budget & Finance – Frank Reeves
Buildings and Grounds – Tracey Hay
Christian Education – Max Carter
Congregational Care – Mickey Stueck
Outreach – Jessica Fain
Personnel – Jackie Cowden
Worship – Wayne Patton

STAFF

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation
Pastor – Sherard Edington
Director of Music – Branson Clark
Keyboards – Jonathan Snow
Organist – Darryl Nettles
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	Adult	
Nursery	Crossroads Class	
Preschool – 1 st Grade	Faith Builders Class	
Elementary Class	Westminster Class	
Middle- High School Class	Women's Class	

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