FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 310 Plantation Road Perry, FL 32348 4th Sunday in Lent 11:00 am March 19, 2023

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

Welcome & Announcements

PASSING OF FRIENDSHIP PADS

SESSION SHARING Cindy Brown

INTROIT "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

*CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 23)

Leader: The Lord leads us like a shepherd.

People: God nourishes our lives and restores our

souls.

Leader: The Lord is with us, even in the darkest valley.

People: God's goodness and mercy are always

close.

*Hymn *"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"* No. 20

(Red Hymnal)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of perfect love, you continually bring forth life, transforming sadness to joy, and despair to hope. We are weak, but you are strong. Our ways are flawed, but your ways are true. We are seldom right, but you are never wrong. Forgive us, redeem us, transform us. Take away the sin that burdens us, and restore us to the people you would have us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 623(Red Hymnal)

"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."

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

SPECIAL MUSIC "Come Unto Me" By Larry Nickel

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Samuel 16:1-13

SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 5:8-14

SERMON Living In the Light Rev. Larry Green

*HYMN "Send the Light" No. 307 (Red Hymnal)

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us, not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

No. 624 (Red Hymnal)

"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."

OFFERTORY PRAYER

*HYMN "O for a Heart to Praise My God"

No. 440 (Red Hymnal)

*BENEDICTION

*Postlude

*Those who are able, please stand.

We warmly greet all who have come to worship God. Your presence will enhance our worship experience and our fellowship together. Sincere thanks to each of you for your participation in the service. Glory be to God!

Leading Worship: Rev. Larry Green; Juanita Ratliff, Liturgist; Leah Metzger, Accompanist & Director.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PERRY, FLORIDA

Notes & Announcements



I want to thank everyone for their prayers, notes and cards during my recent surgery. Having a loving church family means so much in your time of need.

In Christian Love, Polly Kincaid

- Financial Committee meeting, March 20th at 4:00 pm.
- Administration Committee meeting, March 20th at 5:30pm in the Church Library
- Session meeting March 21st at 5:00 pm
- Congregational Care Committee meeting, March 22nd at 4:00 pm
- Lenten devotionals are available in the Narthex.
- Perry Caregiver support group March 23rd at 10:30 am
- Ushers for March 26th: Bobby Harper, Brenda Wilson, Martha Davis, Mike Perrine, Jim Culbreath
- **Liturgist** for March 26th: Margaret Poppell
- FPC website <u>www.firstpresperry.org</u>



Holy Week

First Methodist Church April 3rd-7th at 6:45 am Pastor Larry Neal will share the message on Thursday April 6th.

Prayers Of and For The People First Presbyterian Church

Mason Davis Bell, born 6 weeks early **OUR COUNTRY** Our elected officials Lynn Williams, home now Sandonatos, continue *Nursing home ministries* Dianna & Cheryl craft ministry Soup 4 Soul Steve Caruso, surgery 3/17 Juanita Ratliff, continue Christine Lutz, continue Elvena Johnson Judy Neal Stephen Seecharan's nephew, grateful healing June Evans, continue Jo Kinsey, continue Janice Musgrove, continue Mission travelers Polly Kincaid, praise

Session Committee leaders

Administration-Joey Ratliff, Martha Davis
Christian Education-Martha Davis
Clerk-Cindy Brown
Congregation Care-Nancy Bell
Fellowship-Sandi Hilgendorf
Finance-Chuck Eckel
Mission/Outreach-Marne Helberg, Rachel Poppell
Worship/Music-Marilyn Culpepper