FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 310 Plantation Road Perry, FL 32348

4th Sunday in Lent 11:00 am March 27, 2022

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Introit "Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

No. 835

(Vs. 1 & 2)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O come let us worship and bow down!

People: Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker

Leader: For we are the people of his pasture,

People: And the sheep of his hand

Leader: Let us worship God!

*HYMN "I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art" No. 624

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to save the lost. Judge us with love and lift the burden of our sin. We have been twisted by pride. We see ourselves pure when we are stained and great when we are small. We have failed in love, forgotten to be just, and have turned away from your truth. Have mercy on us, O God, and forgive us our sin, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Know that God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, not counting our sins against us, but entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Friends believe the good news of the gospel; in Jesus Christ we stand forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI

"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

ANTHEM "He Became a Lamb" By Mary Kay Beall

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 32

SCRIPTURE READING 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

SERMON THE POWER OF THE CROSS Rev. Dr. Sid Leak

*Hymn "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" No. 216

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 & 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 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

*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."

*Hymn "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" No. 541

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION (spoken)

*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: Dr. Sid Leak; Nancy Bell, Liturgist; Leah Metzger, Accompanist & Director.

WE WELCOME the Rev. Dr. Sid Leak to our pulpit this morning. Sid is an Honorably Retired member of Flint River Presbytery. He holds an M. Div. from Columbia Seminary and a D. Min. from McCormick Seminary. He has served pastorates in Mississippi, Alabama and Tennessee prior to his retirement. Sid is also a retired Army National Guard Chaplain and is a "proud alumnus" of Camp Blanding! His military awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Distinguished Service Medal of Alabama and the Senior Parachutist Badge. He and his wife Becky live in Valdosta, GA.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PERRY, FLORIDA

Announcements

- ❖ Youth Group Today, March 27th 6 − 7:30
- ❖ Worship Meeting March 29th at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall
- ❖ Tuesday Bible Studies: Beach Bible Study 9:30 am, FPC Bible Study 10:00 am
- DEVOTION AND SOUP Wednesdays in Lent at 12 noon, Downtown Pavilion. Bring a lawn chair and a Bible, Upper Room devotional and Soup provided.
- Fellowship Supper Wednesdays 5:45 pm (No Wednesday night supper for holy week Wednesday April 13th)
- ❖ Choir Rehearsal Wednesdays 7 pm
- ❖ Prayer Group Thursdays 9:30 am in the church office
- ❖ Ushers for April 3rd: Warren Gregory, Polly Kincaid, Betty Culbreath, Tuckie Maultsby
- ❖ Called Congregational Meeting immediately following church service, April 3, 2022. The purpose of the called meeting is to elect a trustee, and also to approve a change to the FPC bylaws. The change proposed will be in the Operations Manual-Church Bylaws-Appendix 3 Article II. Bold type is a proposed change to be voted on.

Section 1. Trustees – The Board of Trustees shall consist of three Trustees. The Trustees shall be elected at the Annual Meeting of the members of the Corporation for a term of three years and shall be divided into three classes of equal number as far as possible under the Rotary System of Election, one such class to be elected annually. Under the Rotary System, a Trustee that has served a full term of three years is not eligible for election to another term until one year has elapsed. However, the session may choose to waive the one-year lapse and present an incumbent trustee to the congregation of successive election At the first annual election the Trustees will be divided into classes with terms of one, two, and three years. Those Trustees elected to first terms of less than three years will be eligible for election to full terms on the Rotary System.

Prayers Of and For The People First Presbyterian Church March 24, 2022

Rachel becoming an aunt Marne, PT Kristie H, eyes Martha's mil, Claudia R Harry Hall, recovery Natasha Sandi. PT Karl and Bob, missions Worship Committee Continued prayers, Glenn K Lynn W Ron P Neals **Jenkins** Dianna **Caregivers** Our families Our congregation Our town, county, state and federal elected officials Ukraine and world gov.

- ➤ You are invited to join Prayer Group, 9:30 am each Thursday morning at the Church office.
- ➤ You can now email all prayer requests directly to <u>prayer@firstpresperry.org</u> or submit on our website and the request will go out to the entire congregation.
- ➤ If you don't have an email and would like to receive prayer requests, please notify the church office.