

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Transfiguration of the Lord/Holy Communion
March 5, 2023 11:00 am

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE *"Praeludium"* D. Buxtehude
Dr. Mark Coffey

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF FRIENDSHIP PADS

INTROIT *"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Lord, you have called us to the mountaintop.

People: Help us to look forward to where you would have us go.

Leader: Help us to listen carefully to the words of your healing love.

People: Open our hearts and spirits to receive your glorious directions.

Leader: Place your trust in the Lord in all your ways.

People: Lord, we have come here to give our lives to you. AMEN.

*HYMN *"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"* No. 562
(Red Hymnal)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Minister: Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and Prince of peace: Lord have mercy.

People: Lord have mercy.

Minister: Lord Jesus, you are the Son of God and Son of Mary: Christ, have mercy.

People: Christ have mercy.

Minister: Lord Jesus, you are word made flesh and splendor of the Father: Lord, have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Minister: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life..

All: Amen.

*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

ANTHEM *"My Lips Will Praise You"*
Words and music by Twila Paris Arr. By Bruce Greer

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 91

*HYMN *"Be Thou My Vision"* No. 382
(Red Hymnal)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 9: 28-36

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Dr. Don McGarity
IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT

THE APOSTLES' CREED (see insert)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *"Repose"* R. Haan

*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 (Unison)

Everything in heaven and earth comes from you, Lord Jesus. We give you only what is yours. May you be praised forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

COMMUNION PRAYER

Minister: Father, it is our duty and our salvation..... And so we join the angels and the saints in proclaiming your glory as we say:

All: 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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Minister: Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

All: AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(See Back of Red Hymnal)

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Minister: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN "Crown Him With Many Crowns" No. 234
(Red Hymnal)

*BENEDICTION

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: May Almighty God bless you the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Minister: Go in peace.

People: Thanks be to God.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE No. 628 (Red Hymnal)

"Threefold Amen"

Amen. Amen. Amen.

*POSTLUDE "Trumpet Tune" A. Carter



Holy Communion

***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!

Presbyterians celebrate an “open communion.” All professing Christians who have been baptized “In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit” are encouraged to partake of this Holy Sacrament.

Leading Worship: Dr. Don McGarity, Minister;
Nancy Bell, Liturgist; Leah Metzger, Accompanist & Director;
Dr. Mark Coffey, Guest Organist

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

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

Notes & Announcements

- Mission committee meeting March 6th at 5 pm
- **Ushers** for March 12th: David Culpepper, Jeanne Hilgendorf, Warren Hilgendorf, and Jeanne Raulerson.
- **Liturgist** for March 12th: Chuck Eckel
- FPC website www.firstpresperry.org

Prayers Of and For The People First Presbyterian Church

Revival

Our President

Our elections

Lynn Williams, monitoring heart

Home care, Sandonato'

Covid suffering

Nursing home volunteers

Warren's cousin, Larry, pain

Cheryl & Dianna ministry

Soup for the Soul

Caruso's prepping for surgery

Being kind

Juanita, ongoing

Christine L, ongoing

Ashley Bidy, recuperating

Elvena, nursing home

Judy N, ongoing

Stephen's nephew, Josh

Shepherd ministry

June Evans, 3/7 surgery

Lost world

Patricia, bronchitis