

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

5th Sunday in Lent
April 3, 2022 11:00 am

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF FRIENDSHIP PADS

INTROIT “Search Me, O God” by C. Harry Causey
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*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Let us rejoice and celebrate for Jesus Christ is Lord!

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

**People: For his steadfast love endures forever.
Amen! Hallelujah! Amen!**

*HYMN “*For the Beauty of the Earth*” No. 14

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Minister: Lord Jesus, you came to reveal God's light to the whole world: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Minister: Lord Jesus, you come in Word and Sacrament to strengthen us in holiness: Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Minister: Lord Jesus, you will come in glory with salvation for your people: Lord, have mercy.

All: 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

“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 “*How Beautiful*” By Paris Twila
Leah Metzger and Kristie Harper

SCRIPTURE LESSON Ezekiel 37:1-14

*Hymn “*Seek Ye First*” No. 175

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 11:38-44

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON “Them Bones, Them Bones, Them Dry Bones”
Dr. Don McGarity

THE APOSTLES' CREED (back of red hymnal)

*HYMN “*Jesus Remember Me*” No. 227 (sung twice)

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

“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)

As we bring this offering, Father, we acknowledge that the money we do not bring is yours as well. Help us to use it as may best further your purpose and benefit our fellow human beings. 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

No. 426 (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

"Glory to His Name" No. 527 (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

"Threefold Amen"
Amen. Amen. Amen.

*POSTLUDE

***Those who are able, please stand.**



Holy Communion

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.

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. Don McGarity; Juanita Ratliff, Liturgist; Leah Metzger, Accompanist & Director.

Announcements



Palm Sunday, April 10th – bring your own palm and join the procession

- Moving Forward Luncheon, April 10th following worship
- Youth Group Today, April 3rd 6 – 7:30
- 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 Meeting Thursdays 9:30 am in the church office
- Ushers for April 10th: Bobby Harper, Nancy Bell, Cathy Wiggins, Zachary Wiggins
- Called Congregational Meeting immediately following church service today, 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.