



# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 20, 2022

Third Sunday in Lent

11:00 A.M.

## THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

Prelude Nocturne Hall Overton

CHIMING THE HOUR

**CHORAL INTROIT** 

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 63

Leader: O God, you are my God.

I seek you, my soul thirsts for you.

People: I have looked upon you in the sanctuary.

I have beheld your power and glory.

Leader: Your steadfast love is better than life. People: I will bless you as long as I live.

I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

\*HYMN No. 263 Immorta

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO RECONCILIATION

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of Eternal Life, we strive to be first at everything. We lead good lives and proudly obey the laws you have set before us. We proclaim your name in the streets. However, we confess that we continue to put our own needs ahead of others and place pride in our vain accomplishments. Forgive us our sins we pray and fill us with the humility to be last as we serve you and our neighbors. Amen.

# SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: We have received forgiveness of sins according to

the riches of God's grace.

People: In the name of 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!

<sup>\*</sup> 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)

Eternal God, through the life, death and resurrection of your Son your kingdom has broken into our troubled world. Help us now to hear your Word that our lives might be signs of the new life offered through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10:17-31

Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, the man was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!"

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

**ANTHEM** 

Wondrous Love arr. Arlen Clarke

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul?
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
to lay aside his crown for my soul?

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM, while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing; while millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and when from death I'm free I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be, and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and through eternity I'll sing on.

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward

**SERMON** *Disciplines of Faith: Simplicity* Rev. Sherard Edington

### RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

\*HYMN No. 87

The Glory of These Forty Days ERHALT UNS, HERR

### \*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.

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

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*Iesus Is All the World to Me* 

Gilbert Martin

\*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.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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#### SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN No. 394

There Is a Balm in Gilead

BALM IN GILEAD

- \*Charge and Benediction
- \*CHORAL RESPONSE

\*Postlude

Fanfare on "National Hymn"

Stanley Saxton

Lent is the 40-day season during which the Church prepares for the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and concludes on Holy Saturday, the day before Easter. Sundays are not included in the 40-day count because Sundays are considered "mini-Easters," a celebration of our Lord's resurrection. The word "Lent" is apparently derived from the Old English lencten, which means "lengthen" referring to the lengthening of the daylight hours which occurs in the northern hemisphere during spring.

# 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.

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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

THANK YOU — The Outreach Committee would like to thank all those who helped with the Women's Shelter for Compassionate Hands (CH) this year by doing the laundry, bringing food or supplies, providing weekly checks to ensure the Annex was ready, moving the garbage bins to the curb, donating money, fixing the refrigerator (twice), snow removal, cleaning, donating clothing, etc. It takes all of us to ensure this ministry is a success! We appreciate the many ways you helped CH make a difference.

SPRING SPEAKER SERIES: Join us this evening 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.

LADIES BINGO NIGHT – All the ladies of the church are invited to attend Bingo Night on Monday, March 21 at 7:00 p.m. The event is hosted by Robin Emmert. Bring a \$10 gift and a friend and join the fun. If you are interested in attending, please contact the church office.



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. Carryout boxes will be available. Beef, turkey, and vegetarian chili will be served as well as drinks and dessert.

# YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP  $(5^{th}$  -12<sup>th</sup> grade) – Meets on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

# THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today		Wednesday	
8:45 a.m.	Worship	6:00 p.m.	Deacons' Chili Day
9:45 a.m.	Church School	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
11:00 a.m.	Worship	Thursday	
Monday	•	9:00 a.m.	Preschool
7:00 p.m.	Bingo Night	6:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts
Tuesday		7:00 p.m.	Praise Team
9:00 a.m.	Preschool	Friday	
		Saturday	
		8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast

	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	

DIACONAT
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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
Keyboard – 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

Adult
Crossroads Class
Faith Builders Class
Westminster Class
Women's Class

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