

March 4, 2018

First Presbyterian Church

The Third Sunday in Lent



Following Jesus, Transforming Life

Mission Statement:

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington is transforming life by glorifying God, following Jesus, and loving our neighbor.

Ask an usher for a large print bulletin, Bible, or hearing enhancement device.

Prayer cards, visitor information cards, and offering envelopes can be found in the pews. Please place them in the offering plate.

Preaching: Rev. Rich McDermott

Liturgist: Rev. Chris Campbell

8:30 Lay Leader: Kathi Dailey

11:00 Lay Leader: Katherine Copeland

The Worship of God

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Words in bold are spoken by the congregation.

§ Invites all who are able to stand.

The green plants are offered to the glory of God
by Sally Dysart in honor of the 62nd wedding anniversary
with Ted, and the first anniversary of Ted's home-going,
and by Judy and Mike Northup in memory of their parents
George and Nita Whitenight and Roger and Mary Glynne Northup.

Gathering

Preparation for Worship

Dallas Willard

"The most important thing about you is not the things that you achieve; it is the person that you become."

Prelude

Now Thank We All Our God

arr. Johann Sebastian Bach

Call to Worship

from Psalm 22

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me?

Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

Let us worship God together.

§ Hymn 41

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

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§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

O Lord our God, please forgive us for our obsession of self. Too often we neglect our souls, then wonder why we feel disconnected from you.

Speak to us and help us. Please heal us, nourish us, and make us whole. Amen.

§ Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel! **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

§ The Gloria Patri

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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.

§ Passing the Peace

Greet those around you with, **"The peace of Christ be with you."**

§ Hymn 418

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

SOFTLY AND TENDERLY

Stanza 1 only

Community Joys and Events

Commissioning the Belize Mission Team (11:00)

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading


Psalm 103:1-5

Old Testament page 554

Children's Time (11:00)

Children (age 3 to fourth grade) are invited to go to Kids For Christ (KFC) in room 216.

The Lord's Prayer



Our Fa - ther who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be thy name; _____

Thy king - dom come; Thy will be done on Earth as it is in heav - en.

Give us this day our dai - ly bread; for - give us our debts as we for - give our debt - ors;

Lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil:

For Thine is the king - dom, and the pow - er, and the glo - ry, for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Sermon Notes

What the Soul Needs Psalm 103:1–5; 1 Peter 2:9–12

1. Statement with blank _____ to fill in.

This week @ FPCA

Sunday 3/4

8:30 a.m. Worship in Chapel
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary
 12:00 p.m. Children's Family
 Luncheon
 12:45 p.m. Children's Music Ministries
 2:00 p.m. PCGRC

Monday 3/5

3:30 p.m. Kids Beach Club-Blanton

Tuesday 3/6

9:00 a.m. Senior Flexibility Class
 10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study
 2:30 p.m. Soul Keeping Small Group
 6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring

Wednesday 3/7

8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
 10:00 a.m. Quilting Group
 6:00 p.m. Ring of Praise Handbells
 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 3/8

10:30 a.m. Soul Keeping Small Group
 6:30 p.m. HOPE Tutoring
 6:45 p.m. Team Meeting Night

Friday 3/9

9:00 a.m. Senior Flexibility Class
 6:00 p.m. Kids Night Out

Saturday 3/10

10:00 a.m. Financial Peace University

Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

Esther Albright, Elaine Bahn, David Boice, Shirley Bragg, James (Andrew) Bridges, Kevin Chin, Edna Collins, Lee Carol Copeland, Tommy and Kathryn Copeland and family, Laura and Moses Duffney, Neal Estes, Don Farrell, Bobbie Fowler, Tom Fowler, Lila Glenn, David Goff, Jack Gray, Andrew Hydock, Tim Karnes, Bob Koch, Pat May, J. Fred Miller, Allen Miller, Barbara Mooers, Ruth Moore, Cosme Pacot, John Pittman, Jim L. Quick, Aileigh Rodriguez, Albert Ross, Kyle Terwilliger, Donna Vickers, Karl Winter, Mary Jane Wright

Prayers for family serving in the armed forces:

Ben Boughton, Riley Curnutt, Austin Curran, Eric Dill, Jeff Grimes, Nathan Haerer, Damien King, Mike Mancini, Amie Murtha, Jack Murtha, Stephen O'Neil Sosa, Colin Peden, Jason Polk, Ryan Powell, Ryan Regalado, Christopher Young, Robbie Wallace

Prayers for our home-bound members

Prayers for those who do not know Christ

If you have any congregational care needs, please contact Pastor Rich McDermott at the church office 817-274-8286.

For questions about specific concerns listed above, please contact Juanice Young at juanicey@gmail.com or 817-794-5626.

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Reservations for the Women's Retreat begin this Sunday, March 4

There will be a table outside the library and in the Red Hall at 10:30 to 11:00 and again at noon. We will have someone outside the chapel at 8:30 as well. Brochures with information about cost are available in these same locations, as well as in the church office. Questions, call Bev Koch at 817-261-3202.

Soul Keeping - A six-week Lenten Bible study, video and sermon series

Lent (February 14 - March 31) is a time for preparation, repentance, reflection and prayer. This year, FPCA will focus on a new book/Bible study and DVD video curriculum by John Ortberg called "Soul Keeping: Caring for the Most Important Part of You."

Pastor Rich has room in his Lenten Small Group which meets on Thursday mornings at 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon. in the church Parlor.

Contact Kim Lewis (Kim@firstprestexas.org or 817-274-8286) if you want to be part of the Lenten Small Groups. Make 2018 a year of spiritual growth for you!

The 4-Week New Members Class

Fixin' to Join: An Adventure in Christian Community

Continues in week two at 9:45 a.m. in Room 214, in the brown hall

Week Two: "On Being a Christian in a Postmodern World"

Week Three: "Christian, Protestant, Reformed, Presbyterian"

Week Four: "On Being Sent: Relational Ministry, Missional Discipleship and Incarnational Witness"

Lenten Services

* Palm Sunday - March 25, 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. services

* Maundy Thursday Service - March 29, 7:00 p.m.
in the Chapel

* Good Friday Service - March 30, 7:00 p.m.
in the Sanctuary

* Easter Sunday - April 1, 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. services

Easter Breakfast will be between services from 9:30 to
10:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Time to Order Easter Lilies!

If you would like to place a lily in the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday, fill out a form and place it in the offering plate during Sunday worship or mail or bring it to the church office.

Forms are located in the Narthex, outside the Chapel and in the church office. Cost is \$10.00 per Lily (per dedication)

The deadline for orders is Monday, March 19.

Children's Ministries Luncheon

Luncheon for families with children in 6th grade or younger today after the 11:00 o'clock service in the Fellowship Hall. Come visit with other families and see what is going on in children's ministry for the month of March.

Save the Date:

Kids Night Out - March 9 and 23 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Spring Festival - March 24 at 3:00 p.m. with the Egg
Hunt starting at 3:50 p.m.

Vacation Bible School June 11-15 from 9:00 a.m. to
noon for children 4 years old to 6th grade

It's Spring Cleaning Time

Come help us to clean the Sanctuary, Classrooms, hallways for Easter. We will have many guests so let's make our facilities shine.

Saturday, March 17, 8:30 a.m. til 12:00 noon

Bring your dust cloths and cleaning supplies. Child Care will be provided. Please call the office and let us know the ages and number of children you will be bringing.

Preschool Summer Camp 2018

June 11 through August 3

Ages 6 weeks through 3rd Grade

Monday-Friday 8:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Contact the Preschool to Register at 817-274-4051