

March 1, 2020

# First Presbyterian Church

The First Sunday of 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: Jamee Shroyer

# *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 greenery is offered to the Glory of God.

## *Gathering*

Preparation for Worship

Isaiah 55:8–9

*“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways,” says the Lord.  
“For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.”*

Prelude

O Man, Mourn for Thy Many Sins

Marcel Dupré

Call to Worship

Our help is in the name of the Lord our God, the maker of heaven and earth,

**Who comes to our aid in times of need,**

Who gives us the courage to do what we know is right,

**Who invites us to turn away from the influences of the world around us  
and confess Him alone as Savior and Lord.**

This is our God!

**Let us worship Him together.**

§ Hymn 166

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

ST. FLAVIAN

§ Prayer of Confession (silently, then said together)

**Almighty God, we wander the corridors of power, while you are beside the homeless on the  
sidewalks. We dine at the finest restaurants, while you are feeding the hungry at the kitchen’s  
back door.**

**God of new life, forgive us and transform our cold hearts into those which desire to serve others.**

**Grant us mercy as you challenge us to remember those we have ignored, and give us grace so  
that we may proclaim Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, as the hope, joy, and peace that the  
world seeks. Amen.**

§ Assurance of Pardon

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

§ Prayer Response



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God,



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, re-new a right spir-it in me.

§ Passing the Peace

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

§ Hymn 443

There Is a Redeemer

GREEN

Community Joys and Events

## Proclaiming

First Scripture Reading	Romans 12:1–2	New Testament page 161
Children's Time (11:00) Children (age 3 to fourth grade) are invited to go to Kids For Christ (KFC) in room 216.		
Second Scripture Reading	Matthew 4:1–11	New Testament page 3
The Sermon	Renewing our Minds/Discerning God's Will	Rev. McDermott

## The Table

The Offering of our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives

Offertory (8:30)	Andante from Sonata No. 4	Johann Sebastian Bach
(11:00)	Psalm 130	Paul Manz

*Out of the depths have I cried unto Thee, O Lord.  
Lord, hear my voice: Let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.  
If Thou, Lord, shouldst mark iniquities, Lord, who shall stand?  
But there is forgiveness with Thee that mayest be feared.  
I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait, And in His word do I hope;  
My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning.  
Let Israel hope in the Lord for with the Lord there is mercy,  
And with Him is redemption, And He shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.  
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, Amen.*

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Prayer of Consecration and the Lord's Prayer sung (see page 4)

Words of Institution

The Bread and Cup

8:30 – *Come forward to partake.*

11:00 – *Eat the bread as it is served. Hold the cup to drink together. While passing the elements, you may say, “the body of Christ, broken for you,” and, “the blood of Christ, shed for you.”*

Prayer after Communion

## Sending

\$ Hymn 366	Love Divine, All Loves Excelling	HYFRYDOL
\$ Charge and Benediction		the congregation joins hands
\$ Postlude	Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee	Benjamin Culli



## *The Lord's Prayer*

for the congregation of First Presbyterian Church, Arlington, Texas



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.

The musical score is written on five staves in 3/4 time. The melody is simple and suitable for congregational singing. The lyrics are aligned with the notes, with some lines ending in a long dash to indicate a continuation of the melody.

## *Sermon Notes*

Renewing our Minds/Discerning God's Will

Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 4:1-11

## ***This week @ FPCA***

Sunday 3/1

8:30 a.m.	Worship in Chapel
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
9:45 a.m.	New Member Class
11:00 a.m.	Worship in Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Families & Children Lunch
12:45 p.m.	Children's Music Ministries
2:00 p.m.	PCGRC

Monday 3/2

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

9:00 a.m.	Senior Flexibility Class
10:00 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study
6:00 p.m.	HOPE Tutoring

Wednesday 3/4

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 3/5

6:00 p.m.	The Well
6:00 p.m.	HOPE Tutoring
6:30 p.m.	Deacons Meeting

Friday 3/6

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

Information for the March 15 bulletin should be turned in to Kim at the church office by this Monday.

## ***Prayer Ministry***

***Prayers for those with health and other concerns:***

Apana Agha, Elaine Bahn, Jack Bos, James (Andrew) Bridges, Carol Browning, Vannah Caylor, Frank and Allena Coburn, Edna Collins, Lee Carol Copeland, Michael Deardorff, The Farnell Family, Don Farrell, The Gifford Family, Joe and Lila Glenn, Olivia Gottmann, Andrew Hydock, James Irons, Bob Johnson, Tim Karnes (Pat May's son), Gary Lindley, Pat May, Barbara Mooers, J.D. Paulk, Betsy Pense, Nita Price, Jim L. Quick, Jillian Reynolds, Joan and Homer Reynolds, Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Karl Winter

***Prayers for family serving in the armed forces:***

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

***Prayers for our home-bound members:***

Esther Albright, Suzette Armstrong, Shirley Bragg, Bobbie and Tom Fowler, Jack Gray, Marge Harrand, Barbara Hughes, Barbara Kraemer, Jeanne Malone, Allen and Charlene Miller, Cary and Ruth Moore, Carrie and Cosme Pacot, Ann Pitstick, Al Smithson, Betty and Jack Snowden, Lorraine Swanson, Brooks and Connie Taylor, Dee Uhri, Richard Whitenight, Mary Jane Wright.

***Prayers for those who do not know Christ***

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

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## **Fixin' to Join: An Adventure in Christian Community**

**The 4-week New Members class continues in week two  
at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.**

**Week Two: "On Being a Christian in a Post-modern World"**

—What it means to be a Christian and why it is so vitally important in today's world.

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

—This will help us understand the blessings and issues of our particular tradition in the family of faith.

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

—A chance to learn about gifts, equipping, ministry and mission.

## **One Great Hour of Sharing Offering**

The One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) Offering is received during the season of Lent at FPCA. This is one of four Special Offerings collected during our church year. Offering envelopes are provided outside the chapel and sanctuary or designate OGHS on the memo portion of your check. Posters are located around the church halls.

Presbyterians worldwide have participated in this offering for over 60 years and give about as much as all other denominations put together. The offering gifts are divided between three programs- Self Development of People, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and the Presbyterian Hunger Program.

For a list of how these gifts were used in previous years or for more information, see [www.pcusa.org/oghs](http://www.pcusa.org/oghs).

## **Thank You**

Thank you for your prayers for Lt. Col. Eric Dill over the past 27 years as he served in the Marine Corps.  
He is now retired.

### **Lenten Services**

\* Palm Sunday - April 5, 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

\* Maundy Thursday Service - April 9, 7:00 p.m.  
in the Chapel

\* Good Friday Service - April 10, 7:00 p.m.  
in the Sanctuary

\* Easter Sunday - April 12, 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

### **Vacation Bible School**

Vacation Bible School will be June 8-12 from 9:00 a.m.  
to noon for children 4 years old to 6th grade.  
The theme is Focus: Take a Closer Look.

The theme verse is Hebrews 12:2a *"Let us keep looking  
to Jesus. He is the one who started this journey of faith.  
And He is the one who completes the journey of faith."*

### **Presbyterian Children's Homes & Services Opportunities**

PCHAS WAXAHACHIE CAMPUS  
300 Brookside Drive, Waxahachie, Texas 75767  
SINGLE PARENT PROGRAM  
VOLUNTEER DAYS

Join PCHAS and Marge & Bob on a Saturday morning  
to provide activities for children while parents learn  
basic life skills.

Let us know you are coming - so we can carpool and  
plan for your lunch too!

March 14; March 28

9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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or Marge & Bob Dawson | [mdawsonarltx@att.net](mailto:mdawsonarltx@att.net) |  
817-980-6825

## **HOPE Tutoring - NIGHT OF HOPE Fundraiser**

HOPE Tutoring is having its annual NIGHT OF HOPE fundraiser Saturday, March 28, at 6:30 p.m. at  
Trinity United Methodist Church.

Tickets are \$45 each for dinner, AHS Jazz Band, speaker Dr. Bill Coppola-TCC SE and silent auction and raffles.

Online reservations at [www.hopetutoring.org/noh](http://www.hopetutoring.org/noh) or contact Dawsons, Le Blancs or Peñas if you have  
questions.