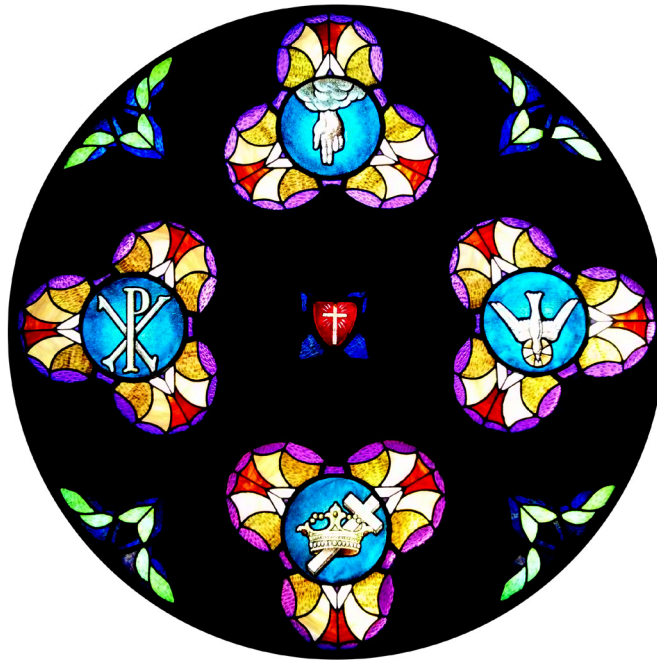


January 22, 2023

First Presbyterian Church

Third Sunday After the Epiphany



Following Jesus, Transforming Life

Mission Statement:

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

Preaching: Rev. Chris Campbell

Liturgist: Adrian Rodriguez

Lay Leader: Mathew Arredondo

Organist: Shina Heo

The Worship of God

Words in bold are spoken by the congregation.

\$ Invites all who are able to stand.

Please silence all phones and devices.

Please fill out the Friendship Pad in your pew.

Gathering

Prelude

The Old Year Has Gone By

Johann Sebastian Bach

Prayer for Preparation

*God our helper, our shade, our protector, you are able to give life to the dead,
to call into being things that do not exist. We trust in your power to make all things new;
to keep us in sunlight and moonlight, along rocky paths and pathways unknown;
until all our going and coming brings us at last to your kingdom promised in Christ,
in whose name we pray. Amen.*

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Rev. Chris Campbell

Introit

We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise

FOREST GREEN

Call to Worship

From where will our help come?

Our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Who is our keeper?

The Lord is our keeper, by day and by night.

How long will God protect us?

God will keep our going out and our coming in from this time on and forevermore.

Let us worship God.

\$ Hymn 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

\$ Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we come before you in need of forgiveness and grace.

You call us to trust in you completely, but we do not.

We are timid and fearful as we follow your lead.

We justify our actions and words, though we know they are not what you require.

We struggle to understand the new life that Christ offers, preferring old habits to risky change.

**Forgive us, we pray. Help us to be born again into the life of Christ,
trusting that you have included us by grace in the family of faith.**

In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

\$ Assurance of Pardon

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

\$ 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.

Ordination and Installation of Elder

Proclaiming

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 2:4–10

New Testament page 192

Children's Time

Children (age 3 to fourth grade) are invited to go to Kids For Christ (KFC) in the Fellowship Hall.

Anthem

My Eternal King

Jane Marshall

*My God, I love Thee; not because I hope for heaven thereby,
Nor yet because who love Thee not must die eternally.
Thou, O my Jesus, Thou didst me upon the cross embrace;
For me didst bear the nails and spear, and manifold disgrace.
Why, then why, O blessed Jesus Christ, should I not love Thee well?
Not for the hope of winning heaven, or of escaping hell;
Not with the hope of gaining aught, not seeking a reward;
But as Thyself hast loved me, O everloving Lord!
Even so I love Thee, and will love, and in Thy praise will sing;
Solely because Thou art my God, and my eternal king.*

Gospel Reading

John 3:1–10

New Testament page 93

Sermon

Renewed Perspective

Rev. Campbell

Responding

§ Hymn 39

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Offering our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives

Offertory

See the Birds That Fly the Heavens

Tae-Sook Kang

§ 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.**

§ Affirmation of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism Q. 61

Why do you say that you are righteous by faith alone?

**Not because I please God by virtue of the worthiness of my faith, but because the satisfaction,
righteousness, and holiness of Christ alone are my righteousness before God,
and because I can accept it and make it mine in no other way than by faith alone. Amen.**

Sending

§ Hymn 757

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

KINGSFOLD

§ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Jeffrey Blersch



Sermon Notes

Souper Bowl of Caring Lunch and Canned Food Drive

Our “Game Day” is almost here! It’s that time of year again, as we look to partner with the Souper Bowl of Caring organization to “tackle” hunger in our city. We have selected Arlington Charities as our “touchdown” support organization of choice again this year. Here is our “playbook”:

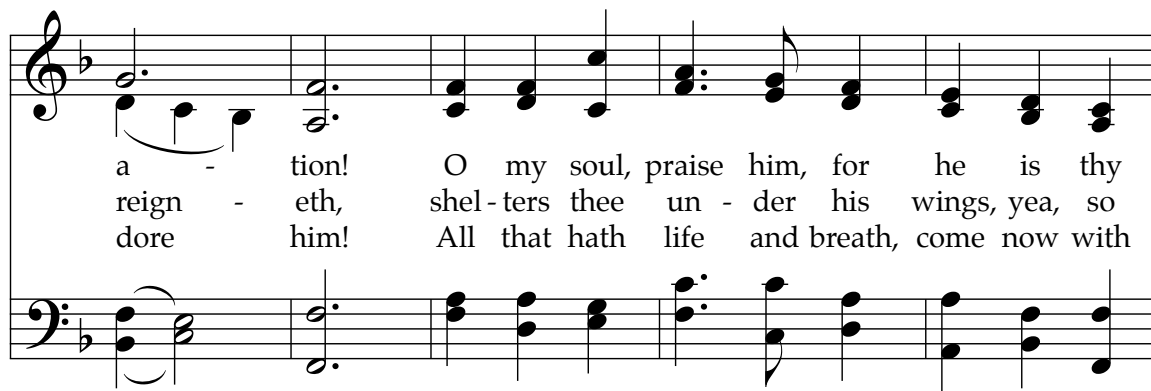
1. Please drop off any canned soup donations before Sunday, February 12 in the wooden bins located by the church front office.
2. On Sunday, February 5, the Fellowship Team will be serving the “Souper Bowl of Caring” lunch immediately following the church service in the Fellowship Hall. You can drop off any canned soup donations in the wooden bins before or after worship or bring them to the fellowship hall during the lunch after service.
3. On Sunday, February 12 (the day of the actual Super Bowl) you can drop off any canned soup donations before or after worship in the wooden bins located in the Narthex.
4. Any monetary donations can be dropped off at the church office, placed in offering plates between now and game day, or mailed to the church. Our very own youth ministry will be taking all donations collected to Arlington Charities.

On behalf of the youth ministry we thank you so much for your donations! Please contact Adrian Rodriguez at thewellfpca@gmail.com if you have any questions.

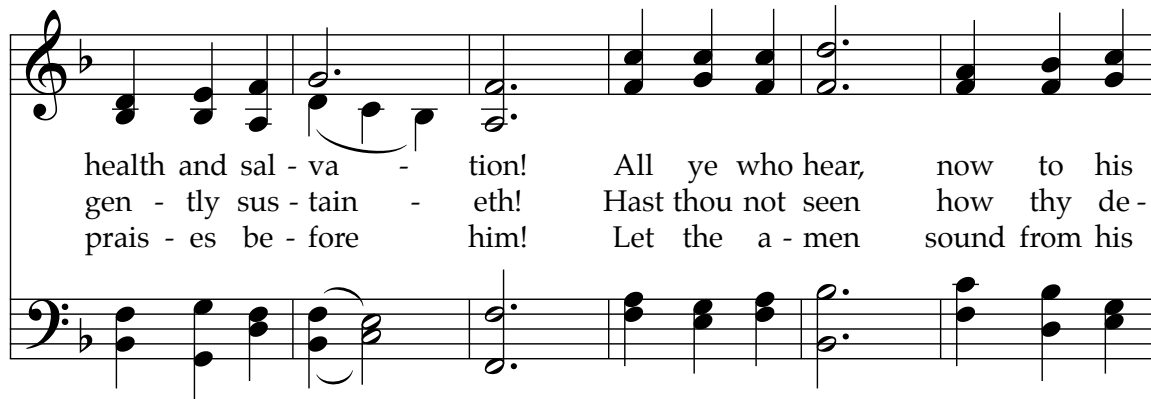
35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty



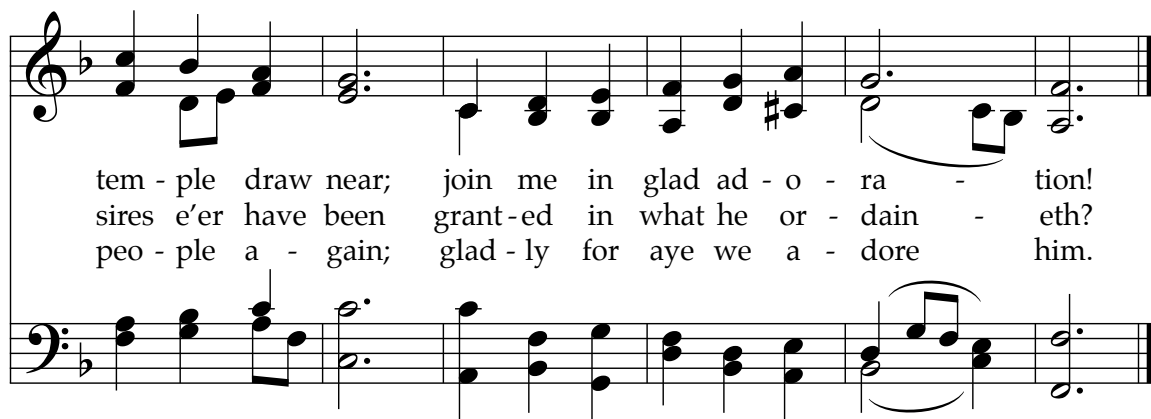
1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly
 3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel-ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sires e'er have been grant-ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1–6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.

39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 *Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

**Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."*

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22–23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

Refrain



Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!
오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주



Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.
날 마 다 자 비 를 베 푸 시 며

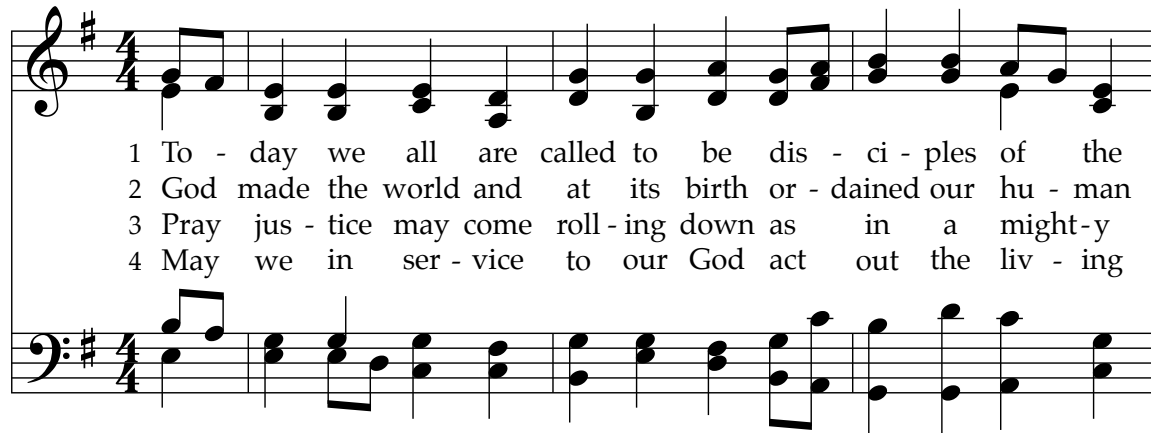


All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.
일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니

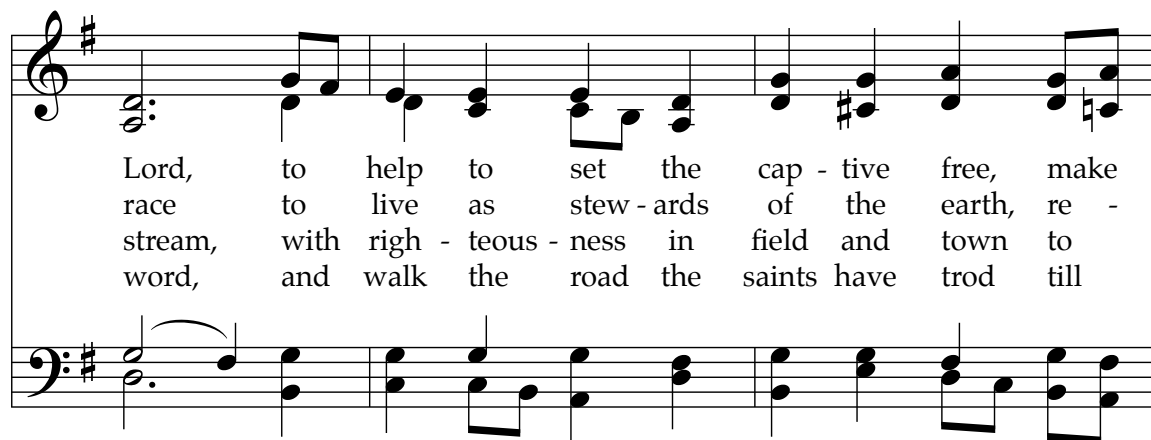


Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!
오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주

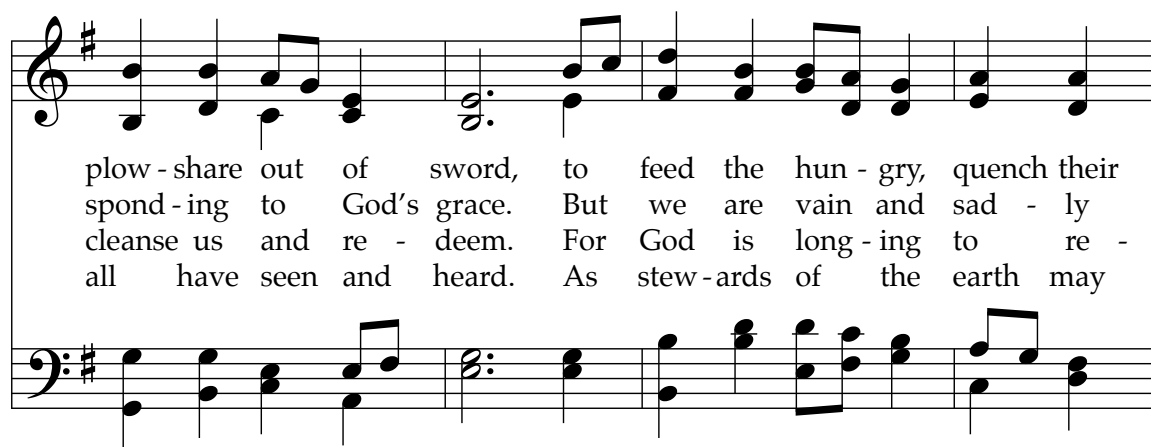
757 Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples



1 To - day we all are called to be dis - ci - ples of the
 2 God made the world and at its birth or - dained our hu - man
 3 Pray jus - tice may come roll - ing down as in a might - y
 4 May we in ser - vice to our God act out the liv - ing



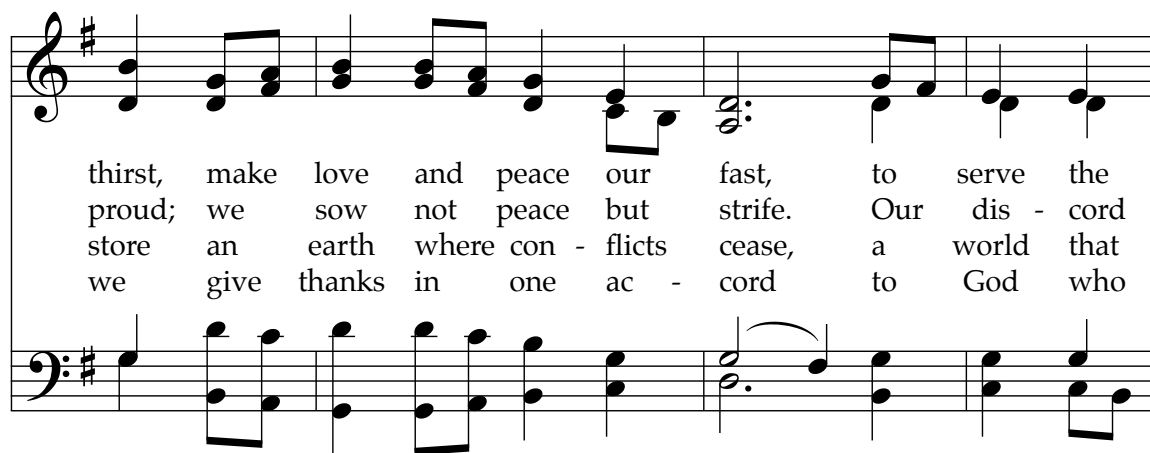
Lord, to help to set the cap - tive free, make
 race to live as stew - ards of the earth, re -
 stream, with righ - teous - ness in field and town to
 word, and walk the road the saints have trod till



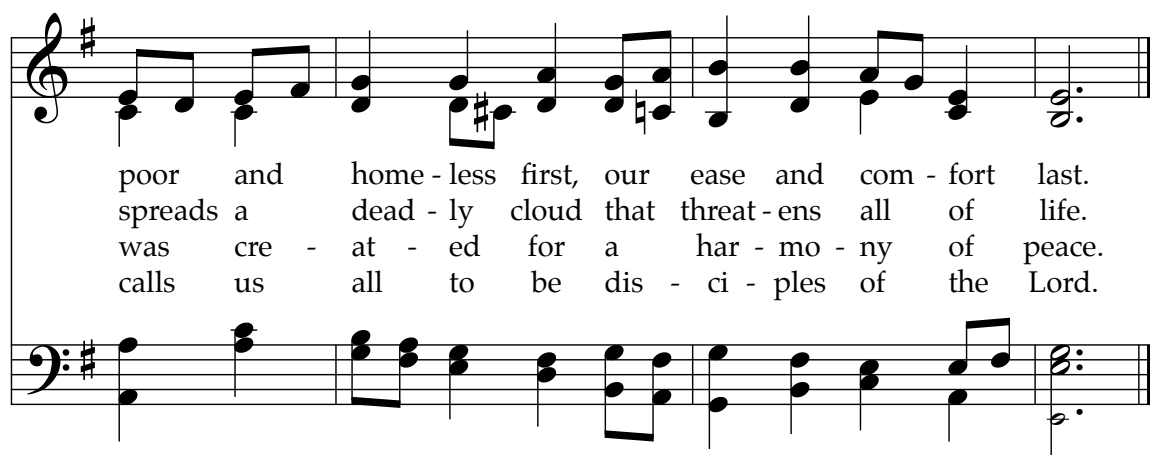
plow - share out of sword, to feed the hun - gry, quench their
 spond - ing to God's grace. But we are vain and sad - ly
 cleanse us and re - deem. For God is long - ing to re -
 all have seen and heard. As stew - ards of the earth may

This text placing stewardship in the context of faithful witness was written by a retired Presbyterian minister to be part of the 1986 stewardship campaign titled "Called to Be Disciples." The tune name recalls the Sussex village where the arranger first heard the melody.

JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION



thirst, make love and peace our fast, to serve the
 proud; we sow not peace but strife. Our dis - cord
 store an earth where con - flicts cease, a world that
 we give thanks in one ac - cord to God who



poor and home - less first, our ease and com - fort last.
 spreads a dead - ly cloud that threat - ens all of life.
 was cre - at - ed for a har - mo - ny of peace.
 calls us all to be dis - ci - ples of the Lord.

Gifts of Hope Followup

Gifts of Hope 2022 was a great success! The following gifts were given this Christmas through this program: 20 medical kits, 8 ducks, 14 chickens, 10 fruit trees, 2 blankets for rescued slaves, 2 care kits for child victims, 8 care kits for persecuted Christians, 3 Bibles for believers in captive nations, food for 13 Arlington families for a week, 4 sets of winter items for the local homeless, 3 paperback books & 1 ream of paper for HOPE tutoring, toiletries for a month for 5 children in foster care, and 5 school backpacks for students in need.

Donations will be given to World Vision, International Justice Mission, Voice of the Martyrs, Arlington Charities, HOPE tutoring, and Presbyterian Children's Home and Services totaling \$1204!

Thanks so much to everyone who helped and contributed!



Vacation Bible School

We will have Vacation Bible School from June 5–9 for children 4 years old to 6th grade. We will meet from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

The theme this year is **Ready, Set, Move!**

The lessons will encourage children to...

Do what Jesus says
Believe who Jesus is
Love who Jesus loves
Share what Jesus did
Go where Jesus leads

*"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."
Hebrews 12:2a*



ATTENTION, LADIES!

Saturday, January 28

10:00 a.m. to Noon

Parlor

Join us as we start this year with the next installment of our "New Year, New Beginnings" series! Again this year, Martita Lynch, from Gateway Church in Grand Prairie, will return to help us learn more about the discipline of worship. Feel free to invite a friend!!

\$10 Registration Online

To register, visit the FPCA website (firstprestexas.org)

Our Ministries → Adult Ministries → Scroll to Women's Ministry

You can pay online, on the FPCA app, or by check.

Questions? Please call Jamie at 214-674-7821 or e-mail womensministry@firstprestexas.org

Women's Ministry Team

Weekly Calendar

Sunday 1/22

Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship in Sanctuary	11:00 am
Annual Report	12:00 pm
Children and Youth Music Ministries	12:45 pm

Tuesday 1/24

Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 am
Women's Bible Study	10:30 am
HOPE Tutoring	6:30 pm

Wednesday 1/25

Men's Bible Study	8:00 am
Quilting	10:00 am
Ring of Praise Handbell Rehearsal	6:00 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
CWF Bible Study Meeting	7:00 pm

Thursday 1/26

HOPE Tutoring	6:30 pm
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Friday 1/27

Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 am
Kids Night Out	6:00 pm

Saturday 1/28

Women's Ministry Brunch	10:00 am
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Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

The family of Lucille Boardman
Bettye Burdett, Jack Bos, Carol Browning, Billie Jo Campbell, Frank Coburn, Edna Collins, Cyprian Engwenyi, Betty Farrell, Bunny Floyd, Mary Lou Garrison, Joe and Lila Glenn, the Hydock Family, Pat May and her son Tim Karnes, Gary Lindley, Mathias Mbeng Ndip, Jim L. Quick, Tonya Scrabeck, Esther Teboh, John and Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Patrick Welborne, Danny Womble, Beverly Johnson

Prayers for family in the armed forces:

Ben Boughton, Riley Curnutt, Jeff Grimes, Nathan Haerer, Damien King, Amie Murtha, Stephen O'Neil Sosa, Colin Peden, Ryan Powell, Peyton Steeno, Christopher Young, Robbie Wallace

Prayers for our home-bound members:

Tom and Bobbie Fowler, Barbara Hughes, Charlene Miller, Betty Snowden, Dee Uhri, Richard Whitenight, Mary Jane Wright, Polly Baugh, Lucy Cleaver, Madge Casselman, Elizabeth Harris

Prayers for those who do not know Christ

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