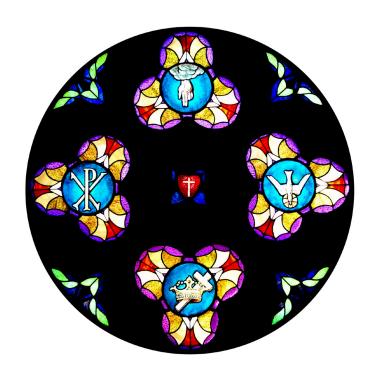
## March 5, 2023

# First Presbyterian Church

# The Second 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.

> Preaching: Adrian Rodriguez Liturgist: Rev. Chris Campbell Lay Leader: Chelsea Campbell 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 Upon the Cross Extended

Camil Van Hulse

Prayer for Preparation

Almighty and ever living God, you invite us deeper into your world, your people, your Lent.

May this time be one of outward focus; seeking you in those we often ignore.

Help us live a Lent focused on freedom, generosity, and encounter.

Give us hearts hungry to serve you and those who need what we have to give. Amen.

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Adrian Rodriguez

Introit God So Loved the World

John Stainer

God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoso believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Call to Worship

I lift up my eyes to the hills—
from where will my help come?
My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

§ Hymn 37

Let All Things Now Living

Ash Grove

§ Prayer of Confession

Lord, you know who we are. You know everything we have done.

We thirst for things that will never satisfy us.

We commit ourselves to things that will never last.

We worship things that will never bring salvation. Still, you offer us the gift of living water.

Still, you offer us the gift of eternal life.

Forgive us, O Lord, and give us this living water, so that we may never thirst again. 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.

### **Proclaiming**

Psalm 121 Responsive Reading

Refrain



I lift up my eyes to the mountains—where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

Refrain

He will not let your foot slip—he who watches over you will not slumber; indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

Refrain

The Lord watches over you—the Lord is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

\*Refrain\*

The Lord will keep you from all harm—he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going, both now and forevermore. *Refrain* 

Gospel Reading

Matthew 4:1-11

New Testament page 3

Children's Time

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

Anthem I Choose Love Mark Miller

Youth Music Ministries AJ Baker and Laura Farnell, directors

In the midst of pain, I choose love.
In the midst of pain, sorrow falling down like rain,
I await the sun again, I choose love.
In the midst of war, I choose peace.
In the midst of war, hate and anger keeping score,
I will seek the good once more, I choose peace.
When my world falls down, I will rise.
When my world falls down, explanations can't be found,
I will climb to holy ground, I will rise.

Gospel Reading Mark 1:35–39 New Testament page 35

Sermon The Lent Experience: Silence and Solitude Adrian Rodriguez

Responding

§ Hymn 829 My Faith Looks Up to Thee OLIVET

Offering our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives

Offertory Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart John Dixon

#### The Table

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.

The Lord's Prayer sung (see below)

Words of Institution

The Bread and Cup

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 441 Hear the Good News of Salvation

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\$ Charge and Benediction

Postlude When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Esther Megargel

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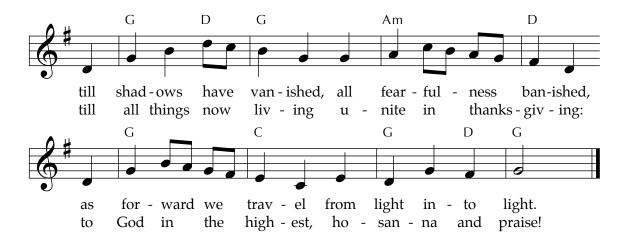
## The Lord's Prayer

for the congregation of First Presbyterian Church, Arlington, Texas

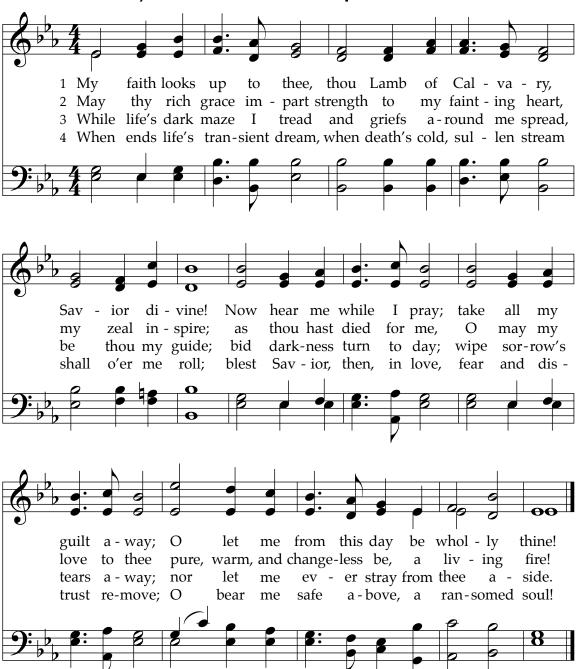




Written for an easy-to-sing folk melody familiar in England as well as Wales, this 20th-century North American text bears many resemblances to both Psalm 148 and the traditional canticle *Benedicite, omnia opera Domini* (Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord).



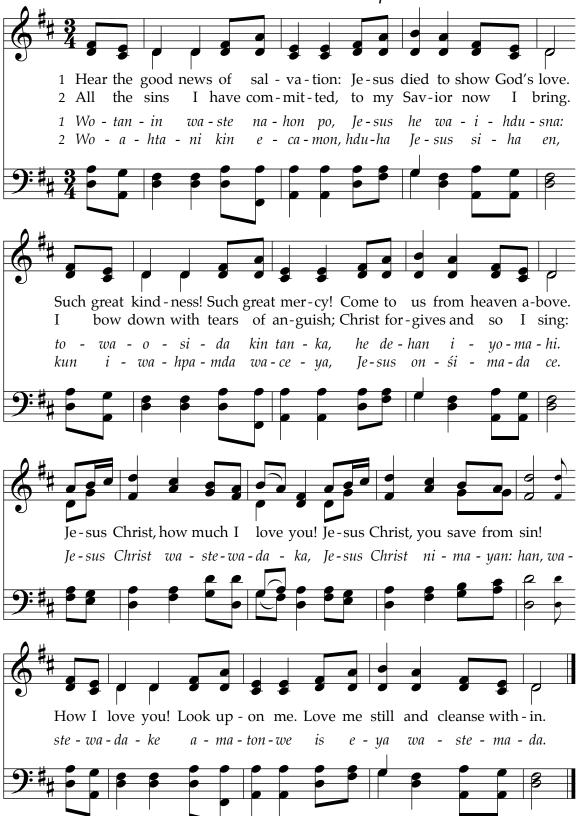
# My Faith Looks Up to Thee 829



Originally a poem of private reflection, this text was offered to the composer when he asked the author if he had written anything that could be set to music for a new hymn and tune collection. This was the first tune written for these words and has proved the most enduring.

# Hear the Good News of Salvation 441

## Wotanin waste nahon po



This text, originally appearing in four stanzas, was written by the first Native American Dakota to be ordained to the Presbyterian ministry and was published in the Dakota hymnal he edited. Both the Dakota and English versions have been associated with this shape note tune.

#### Volunteers Needed!

We are thrilled to announce that FPCA will produce a youth and children's musical depicting the story of Noah and the flood, called A TECHNICOLOR PROMISE. The musical is June 10th, and we need people of all ages to bring this story to life! If you are crafty, handy, can sew, paint, or just want to be an extra set of hands, starting in March we are going to need help to begin building this show.

Please contact Sonia Ellis at SONIAJUSTL@GMAIL.COM or call the church office for more information or to volunteer.

## 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. The children will receive fish boxes and information about OGHS in Sunday School and KFC to collect donations. Presbyterians worldwide have participated in this offering for over 60 years and give about as much as all other denominations put together. OGHS is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for aa better world. 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

### Mentors and Prayer Partners Needed

these gifts were used in previous years or for more information, see www.pcusa.org/oghs.

Will you be a mentor or prayer partner for children? In partnership with Kids Hope USA and Blanton Elementary we are looking for adults who will mentor children for 1 hour a week at Blanton Elementary for the rest of the school year. Each mentor will be partnered with 1 student and will meet with that student each week to talk, play games, read, and/or do schoolwork. Each mentor needs a prayer partner to pray for them and the student being mentored. Many students are struggling socially and/or emotionally and being a mentor can be a great help to these children. Blanton Elementary reached out to Kids Hope asking for a church to provide mentors. We have said that we will. We will have a group training session with Kids Hope material in the near future. Please contact Kyle Terwilliger by email at kyle@ firstprestexas.org if you are interested in being a mentor or prayer partner.

## Lenten Study

Be sure to order your copy of The Lent Experience Journal by Eric Ferris—available from Amazon and other online booksellers. Need help ordering a copy? Just contact the church office.

Save the Date: "The Well" Youth Ministry Events

March 18 - Group Dynamix May 7 - UTA Baseball Game May 21 - Senior Sunday

## Weekly Calendar

Sunday 3/5	
New Members Class	9:45 am
Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship in Sanctuary	11:00 am

Youth and Children's Music Ministries

## Tuesday 3/7

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

#### Wednesday 3/8

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

#### Thursday 3/9

HOPE Tutoring	6:30 pm
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#### Friday 3/10

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

## Prayer Ministry

Prayers for those with health and other concerns:

Jim and Jamee Shroyer, the family of Frank Coburn, Bettye Burdett, Jack Bos, Carol Browning, Billie Jo Campbell, 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, Ryan Powell, Peyton Steeno, Christopher Young, Robbie Wallace

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

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

If you have any congregational care needs, contact Parish Associate, Jim Shroyer at 682-445-0155 or jim@firstprestexas.org

## Staff Directory

12:45 pm

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Shina Heo
Adrian Rodriguez
Kyle Terwilliger
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Cheryl Harris
Jeanne Chin
Jane Leathem

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