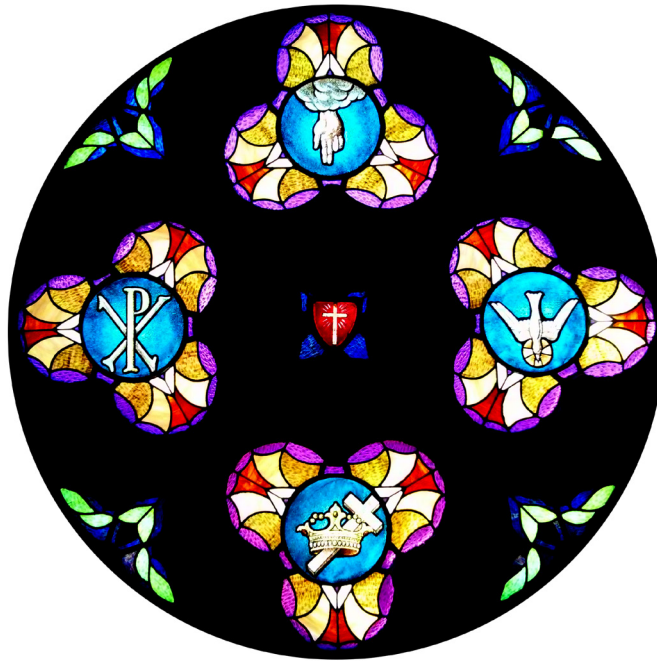


March 3, 2024

# 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.

Pastor: Rev. Chris Campbell  
Lay Leader: Jodie Schenck  
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 row.*

## **Gathering**

Prelude

Were You There?

Craig Phillips

The Light of Christ

Konnia Formusoh, acolyte

Prayer for Preparation

*Almighty God, boldly we approach your throne of grace. Joyfully, we come knowing you always welcome us. Humbly, we acknowledge before you and one another our need. Eagerly, we seek your mercy and grace, which are sufficient for our every need. Grant us open hearts, minds, and lives that we might gratefully receive. We pray in the name of Jesus, our great High Priest. Amen.*

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Rev. Chris Campbell

Call to Worship

The message of the cross sounds foolish to the world;

**But to us it is the power of God! We proclaim the scandal of Christ crucified.**

The foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom,

**And the weakness of God is stronger than our strength.**

**Let us worship God.**

Introit

Give Me a Pure Heart

Russell Farnell

§ Hymn 307

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

§ Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, how fickle we are.**

**We sin against you without even knowing it.**

**Clear us, we pray, of any unknown sin, and save us from willfully ignoring your way.**

**Let your commandments rule and guide us.**

**Forgive us for worshipping anyone or anything except you. Keep us faithful.**

**Forgive us for failing to honor all our relationships—**

**with those closest to us and**

**those who are distant neighbors.**

**Forgive us for thinking everything depends on our efforts and power,**

**for you are the God who made us, led us out of slavery,**

**and brought us into the community of faith.**

**Help us to depend on you alone and to rest in your peace.**

**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

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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.**

## Proclaiming

Psalm 19

Responsive Reading

The heavens are telling the glory of God, **and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.**  
Day to day pours forth speech, **and night to night declares knowledge.**  
There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;  
**yet their voice goes out through all the earth and their words to the end of the world.**

In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,  
**which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,**  
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.  
**Its rising is from the end of the heavens**  
and its circuit to the end of them,  
**and nothing is hid from its heat.**

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;  
**the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;**  
the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;  
**the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes;**  
the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever;  
**the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.**

More to be desired are they than gold, **even much fine gold;**  
sweeter also than honey **and drippings of the honeycomb.**  
Moreover, by them is your servant warned; **in keeping them there is great reward.**  
But who can detect one's own errors? **Clear me from hidden faults.**

Keep back your servant also from the insolent; **do not let them have dominion over me.**  
Then I shall be blameless and innocent of great transgression.  
**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you,**  
**O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.**

Gospel Reading

Mark 1:12–15

New Testament page 35

Children's Time

Children, age 3 to fourth grade, are invited to go to Kids For Christ (KFC) in the 200 hallway.

Anthem

God Is Our Refuge

Allen Pote

Youth Music Ministries, AJ Baker directing

*God is our refuge and strength; a present help in time of trouble  
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,  
though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.*

*Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God.  
He is in the midst of his people, in all the earth.*

*He is the Word, we are his hands, he will lead us.  
He is the air, we are his song. We will celebrate his presence all the day long.  
He is the rain, we are the stones, he will cleanse us.  
He is the air, we are his song. We will celebrate his presence all the day long.*

New Testament Reading

Hebrews 4:14–16

New Testament page 220

Sermon

Dependence in the Wilderness

Rev. Campbell

## Responding

§ Hymn 626

As the Deer

AS THE DEER

Offering our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives

Offertory

We Thank You, Lord, That You Have Died for Us

Johann Sebastian Bach

## 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

Words of Institution

The Bread and Cup

*Partake of the bread and cup as they are served. Place the cup in the basket that is passed.*

*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 625

How Great Thou Art

HOW GREAT THOU ART

§ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

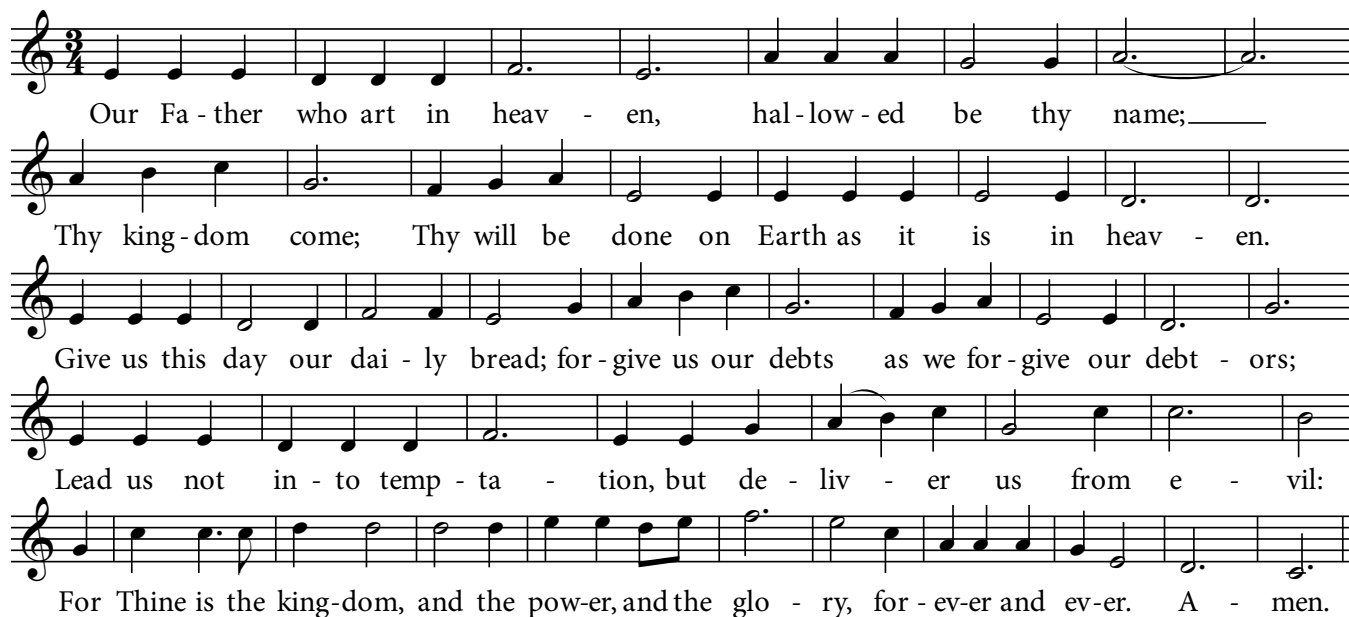
Trumpet Voluntary in B flat Major

David Lasky



## 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.

## 307 God of Grace and God of Glory

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple  
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -  
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to  
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour thy power; crown thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry; bring its  
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our  
 thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in  
 we de - plore. Let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our

bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
 hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
 things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
 glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.  
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.  
 lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.  
 serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

This stirring hymn used at the opening of Riverside Church in New York in 1930 was penned by its widely-known and influential pastor, and it has gained a firm place in English-language hymnals around the world. The Welsh tune name honors the Rhondda Valley in Glamorganshire.

## 626

## As the Deer

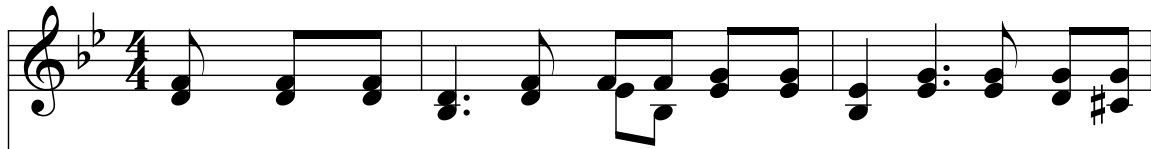
As the deer pants for the wa - ter, so my  
 soul longs af - ter you. You a - lone are my  
 heart's de - sire, and I long to wor - ship you.  
 You a - lone are my strength, my shield; to you a - lone  
 may my spir - it yield. You a - lone are my  
 heart's de - sire, and I long to wor - ship you.

This praise chorus begins as a paraphrase of Psalm 42:1 and later incorporates parts of Psalm 28:7. In some early Christian communities, people chanted or sang Psalm 42 on their way to be baptized, and many early Christian baptisteries were decorated with deer drinking water.

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# O Lord My God

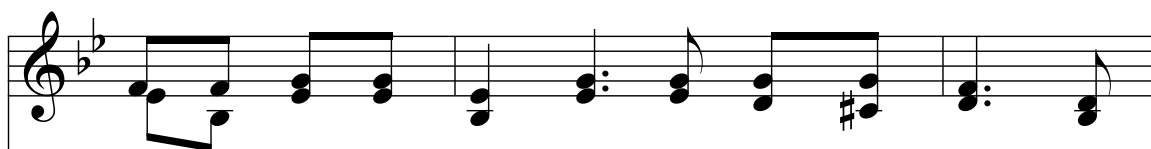
## How Great Thou Art



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der con - sid - er  
 2 When through the woods and for-est glades I wan-der and hear the  
 3 And when I think that God, his Son not spar-ing, sent him to  
 4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion and take me



all the \*worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I  
 birds sing sweet - ly in the trees, when I look down from  
 die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my  
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then \*I shall bow in



hear the \*roll - ing thun - der, thy power through - out the  
 loft - y moun - tain gran - deur and hear the brook and  
 bur - den glad - ly bear - ing, he bled and died to  
 hum - ble ad - o - ra - tion, and there pro - claim, "My

*\*Author's original words are "works," "mighty," and "shall I bow."*

This tuneful retelling of the salvation story began in Swedish and was translated into German and then into Russian before reaching its English form. Despite such linguistic and musical revisions, it continues to be a meaningful source of comfort to many people.

## Refrain

u - ni - verse dis - played:  
 feel the gen - tle breeze: Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to  
 take a - way my sin:  
 God, how great thou art!"

thee: How great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my

Sav - ior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!

## KOREAN

- 1 주 하나님 지으신 모든 세계  
 내마음 속에 그리어 볼때  
 하늘의 별 울려 퍼지는 너성  
 주님의 권능 우주에 찬네  
 후렴 주님의 높고 위대하심을  
 내영혼이 찬양하네  
 주님의 높고 위대하심을  
 내영혼이 찬양하네
- 2 숲속이나 험한산 골짜에서  
 지저귀는 저 새소리들과  
 고요하게 흐르는 시냇물은  
 주님의 숨씨 노래하도다 후렴
- 3 주 하나님 독생자 아낌없이  
 우리를 위해 보내주셨네  
 십자가에 피흘려 죽으신 주  
 내모든 죄를 대속하셨네 후렴
- 4 내주 예수 세상에 다시 올 때  
 저천국으로 날 인도하리  
 나 겸손히 엎드려 경배하며

## SPANISH

- 1 Señor, mi Dios, al contemplar los cielos,  
 el firmamento y las estrellas mil,  
 al oír tu voz en los potentes truenos  
 y ver brillar al sol en su cenit,  
 Estribillo Mi corazón se llena de emoción.  
 ¡Cuán grande es Él! ¡Cuán grande es Él!  
 Mi corazón se llena de emoción.  
 ¡Cuán grande es Él! ¡Cuán grande es Él!
- 2 Al recorrer los montes y los valles  
 y ver las bellas flores al pasar,  
 al escuchar el canto de las aves  
 y el murmurar del claro manantial, Estribillo
- 3 Cuando recuerdo de tu amor divino  
 que desde el cielo al Salvador envió,  
 al buen Jesús, que por salvarme vino  
 y en una cruz por mí sufrió y murió, Estribillo
- 4 al dulce hogar, al cielo de esplendor;  
 te adoraré, cantando la grandeza  
 de tu poder y tu infinito amor. Estribillo



## Volunteers Needed!

Saturday, May 25 through August 10

FPCA is hosting an Embrace Grace group from May 25 through August 10, each Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Embrace Grace is a support group for single, pregnant women and an opportunity for the church to show God's love, making it a place of love, not judgment. Areas we need volunteers (men and women) include: group participation (women only), hospitality (snack), childcare, baby shower planning, gift/donation gathering, Spanish translation, transportation, prayer intercession, volunteer management, and more.

If you are interested in demonstrating God's love in one or more of these roles, or even one we have not thought of, please stop by the volunteer table outside of Sunday service (before or after) and/or contact Katina Gifford. 817-565-3835 (call or text).

*Save the Date!*  
For a luncheon event benefiting the children of PCHAS

May 1st  
*Dare to Dream!*  
— 12:00 pm — 2024

Ridglea Country Club  
3700 Bernie Anderson Ave  
Fort Worth, TX 76116

RSVP  
Maria Shupe  
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 Presbyterian Children's  
Homes and Services<sup>SM</sup>

### Easter Breakfast

Sunday, March 31

The Fellowship Team invites you to the Easter morning breakfast (March 31st) from 9:00 to 10:30 A.M. in the Fellowship Hall. We will be serving home-cooked breakfast casseroles.  
Everyone is invited.

### 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 Fellowship Hall or designate OGHS on the memo portion of your check. Posters are located around the church halls. The children will be receiving Fish Boxes for their contributions which can be returned on Palm Sunday. 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 a 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 these gifts were used in previous years or for more information, see [www.pcusa.org/oghs](http://www.pcusa.org/oghs).

## Weekly Calendar

Sunday 3/3

Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship Service	11:00 am
Youth and Children's Music Ministries	12:45 pm

Monday 3/4

Tuesday 3/5

Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 am
Tuesday Morning Bible Study	10:30 am
HOPE Tutoring	6:30 pm

Wednesday 3/6

Men's Bible Study	8:00 am
Quilting, etc.	10:30 am
Ring of Praise Handbells	6:00 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
CWF Bible Rehearsal	7:00 pm

Thursday 3/7

Friday 3/8

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

Saturday 3/9

## Prayer Ministry

*Prayers for those with health and other concerns:*

The family of Polly Baugh, the family of Alicia Street, the family of Bud Smith, Eleanor Schernbeck, Ken Floyd, Jerry Tees, Harold Thomlinson, Sherry Wolfe, Sheri Quick, Charlie Nieman, Jack Bos, Carol Browning, Bettye Burdett, Cyprian Engwenyi, Betty Farrell, Ivone Franzolin, Mary Lou Garrison, Joe and Lila Glenn, Pat May and her son Tim Karnes, Graciela Lopez Montero, Mathias Mbeng Ndip, Tina Paulk, Aileigh Rodriguez, Tonya Scrabeck, David Spencer, Susie Thurston, Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Patrick Welborne, Danny Womble, Carlos and Jennyfer Zamora

*Prayers for family in the armed forces:*

Amie Murtha, Colin A. Peden, Christopher Young

*Prayers for our home-bound members:*

Madge Casselman, Lucy Cleaver, Barbara Hughes, Betty Snowden, Dee Uhri, Richard Whitenight

*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](mailto:jim@firstprestexas.org)

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