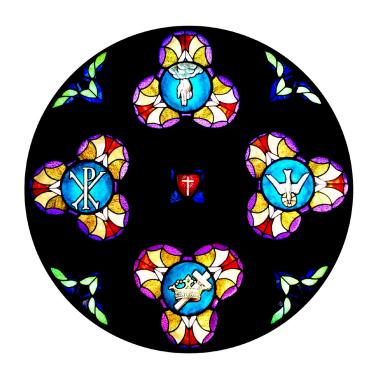
#### March 10, 2024

# First Presbyterian Church

# The Fourth 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: Matt Annen 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 Crucifixion from Symphonie-Passion

Marcel Dupré

The Light of Christ

Konnia Formusoh, acolyte

Prayer for Preparation

Gracious and loving God, you know our hearts better than we know them ourselves. You know our certainties and our doubts. Help us see through the pain and uncertainty of doubt to renewed and strengthened faith on the other side of doubt. Enable the doubt within us to stir us up and spur us on to deeper faith. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Rev. Chris Campbell

Call to Worship

O give thanks to the Lord, who is good;

God's steadfast love endures forever.

Let us worship God.

Introit Create in Me a Faithful Heart IRISH

§ Hymn 610 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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#### § Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, doubt can be so troubling to us.

Forgive us when we have failed to understand another's doubt

and to provide them a place to share it.

Forgive us when we have failed to allow another person to work through their doubt and so grow stronger.

Forgive us, God, when we have made doubt about a destination

and have become complacent in seeking your presence, your will, and your way for our lives.

Lord, we believe. Help our unbelief. In the name of Jesus we ask this. Amen.

#### § Assurance of Pardon

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

§ Gloria Patri Meineke

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 107:1–3; 17–22 Responsive Reading

Refrain



Lord, you are my hope and stay; I will ev - er sing your praise.

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands,

from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Refrain

Some were sick through their sinful ways and because of their iniquities endured affliction; they loathed any kind of food, and they drew near to the gates of death.

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress; he sent out his word and healed them and delivered them from destruction.

\*Refrain\*

Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, **for his wonderful works to humankind.**And let them offer thanksgiving sacrifices **and tell of his deeds with songs of joy.** *Refrain* 

Children's Time

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

Anthem The Glory of the Father

The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us. We beheld the glory of the Father, full of grace and truth.

In the beginning was the Word. The Word was with God.
In Him was life; and the life was the light of men.
He came to his own, and his own received him not.

Gospel Reading Mark 9:14–29 New Testament page 44

Sermon Doubts in the Wilderness Rev. Campbell

Egil Hovland

#### Responding

§ Hymn 803

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

RESIGNATION

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 Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Frederick Maker

Ring of Praise Handbell Ensemble

§ Doxology Old Hundredth

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.

#### Sending

§ Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

§ Hymn 634 To God Be the Glory

To God Be the Glory

§ Charge and Benediction

Postlude We Thank You, Lord, That You Have Died for Us Johann Sebastian Bach

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# O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 610



#### **SPANISH**

1 Mil voces para celebrar a mi Libertador, las glorias de su majestad, los triunfos de su amor.

#### KOREAN

만 입이 내게 있으면그 입 다 가지고내 구주 주신 은총을늘 찬송하겠네

This text comes from an eighteen-stanza hymn the author wrote to mark the first anniversary of his life-changing conversion experience. It is now customarily the first hymn in Methodist hymnals worldwide. This tune, adapted from a German composer, is the usual North American setting.

# My Shepherd Will Supply My Need 803



The effectiveness of this beloved paraphrase of Psalm 23 owes much to the flowing shape note melody that serves as a "living stream" to carry the text, which in turn has been given a remarkable clarity and lightness through the poet's masterful use of single-syllable words.





#### Wednesday Women's Bible Study

Wednesday Women's Bible Study will meet Wednesday, March 13 at 1 p.m. in the church parlor. We will watch the video and discuss Chapter 7.

#### Volunteers Needed!

Saturday, May 25 through August 10

FPCA is hosting an Embrace Grace group from May 25 through August10, 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).



#### 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 <a href="https://www.pcusa.org/oghs">www.pcusa.org/oghs</a>.

# Weekly Calendar Sunday 3/10 Sunday School Worship Service Monday 3/11 Tuesday 3/12 Senior Flexibility Class HOPE Tutoring

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Senior Flexibility Class

# HOPE Tutoring 6:30 pm Wednesday 3/13 Men's Bible Study 8:00 am Quilting, etc. 10:30 am Wednesday Women's Bible Study 1:00 pm Ring of Praise Handbells 6:00 pm

Thursday 3/14 Fellowship Team Meeting 4:30 pm	
Friday 3/15	

Saturday 3/16

#### **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

#### Staff Directory

9:45 am

11:00 am

9:30 am

7:00 pm

9:30 am

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Shina Heo
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Kyle Terwilliger
Eric Gottmann
Cheryl Harris
Jeanne Chin
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