

The First Sunday in Lent



First Presbyterian Church Arlington

1200 South Collins St.
Arlington, TX 76010

The people gather for the Worship of God
Sunday, February 22, 2026

Preaching: Rev. Chris Campbell
Lay Leader: Scott May
Organist: Cheryl Harris

Mission Statement:

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

Gathering

About our service

Please silence all phones and devices.

• Please fill out the Friendship Pad in your row.

• Words in **bold** are spoken by the congregation.

• § Invites all to stand in body or spirit

• Our communion grape juice is alcohol-free.

• FPCA follows the liturgical calendar. This week we begin the season of Lent. We use purple paraments to signify a solemn, forty-day season of penitence, prayer, and preparation for Easter.

• If you are a guest today, please stop by the narthex for information and a warm FPCA welcome!

Prelude I Will Sing Unto the Lord Wolford

The Light of Christ

Prayer for Preparation

Lord God, as we devote these forty days to you. Shape us by your Holy Spirit into the image of Christ our Lord so that we may be ready, by your grace, to confront the power of death with the promise of eternal life. Amen.

Welcome and Opening Prayer Rev. Chris Campbell

Call to Worship

Come to the Lord, **who is rich in grace;**
Approach our God, **who is full of mercy.**
We will praise God with all our heart
and glorify the name of the Most High forever.

Introit Were You There African American Spiritual

§ Hymn 652 A Grateful Heart ROCKINGHAM

§ Prayer of Confession

Lord God, you know the ways of good and evil.
You know the things that tempt us and the things that give us life.
You know our nakedness, and you know our sin.
We confess that we have disobeyed your word, denying your providence and care and relying on our own cleverness.
Have mercy on us, we pray. Cover us with your grace.
Feed us with the bread of life.
Re-create us in your image; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

§ Assurance of Pardon

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

§ Gloria Patri GREATOREX

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 32

Responsive Reading



Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

**Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

While I kept silent, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.

**For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

refrain

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity;

**I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

refrain

Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of
mighty waters shall not reach them.

**You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.**

refrain

I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go;

I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding,
whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay near you.

**Many are the torments of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.**

**Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.**

refrain

Children's Time

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

For safety reasons, parents, must pick up their children after the service in the Children's Area.

Anthem

Dona Nobis Pacem

arr. Hal Hopson

Dona Nobis Pacem (Grant Us Peace)

Gospel Reading

Mark 15:20–25

New Testament page 53

Sermon

Were You There: Simon of Cyrene

Rev. Campbell

Responding

§ Hymn 166

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

ST. FLAVIAN

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

Songs of Praise

African Praise Choir

Move on, don't be frightened.

The Savior understands. No turning back again.

Brethren, move on.

I have decided to follow Jesus.

No turning back.

§ 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

Heidelberg Catechism Question 56

I believe that God, because of Christ's atonement, will never hold against me any of my sins nor my sinful nature, which I need to struggle against all my life. Rather, in his grace God grants me the righteousness of Christ to free me forever from judgment. Amen.

§ Hymn 649

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

AMAZING GRACE

§ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Prelude and Fugue

Johann Caspar Ferdinand Fischer



A Grateful Heart

(Psalm 111)

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1 A grate - ful heart is what I bring, a song of
2 Your name is known in all the lands. You feed the
3 With sav - ing love you set us free, and still you

The first system of music consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody begins with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

praise, my of - fer - ing. A - mong the saints I
poor with gen - tle hands. Your word is true, your
dwell in mys - ter - y with wis - dom none can

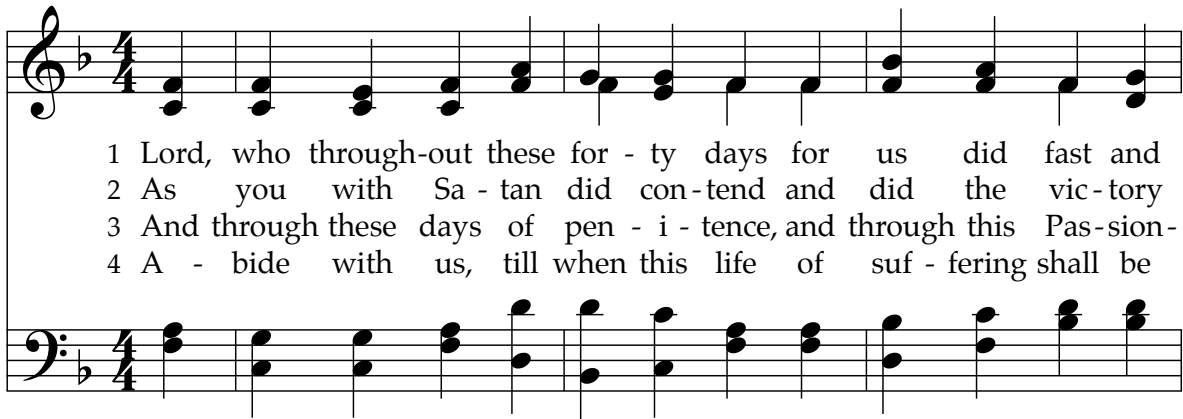
The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff features a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The bass staff continues with harmonic support.

lift my voice: in you, O God, I will re - jice.
works are just; in you, O God, the faith - ful trust.
com - pre - hend. Your praise, O God, will nev - er end.

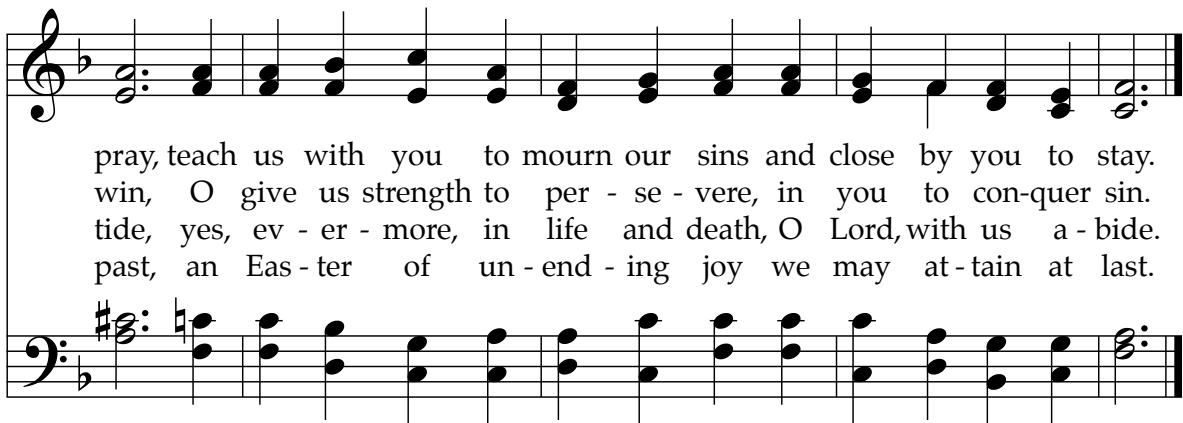
The third system concludes the piece. The treble staff ends with a half note G4. The bass staff concludes with a final chord. The piece ends with a double bar line.

Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days

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1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us did fast and
2 As you with Sa - tan did con-tend and did the vic-tory
3 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through this Pas-sion-
4 A - bide with us, till when this life of suf - fering shall be

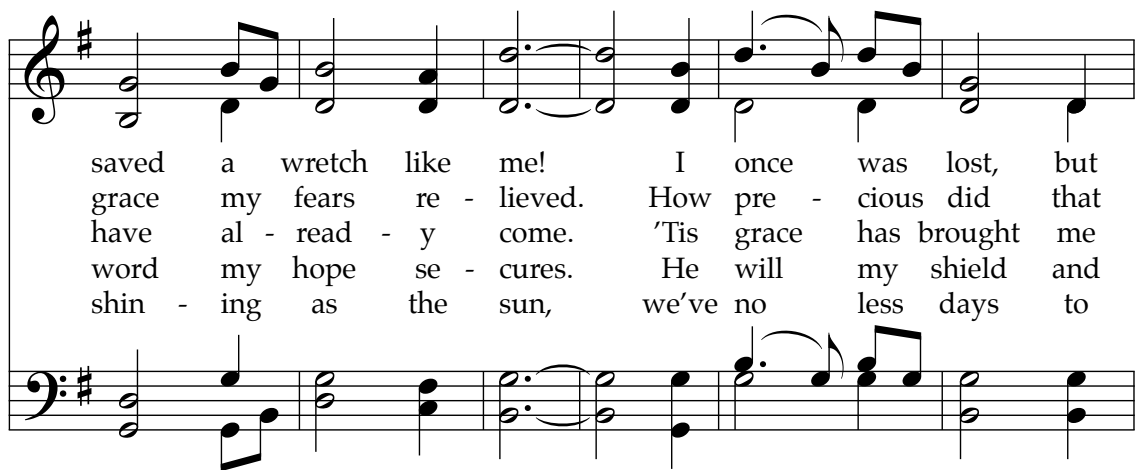


pray, teach us with you to mourn our sins and close by you to stay.
win, O give us strength to per - se - vere, in you to con-quer sin.
tide, yes, ev - er - more, in life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide.
past, an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at-tain at last.

649 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re - lieved. How pre - cious did that
have al - read - y come. 'Tis grace has brought me
word my hope se - cures. He will my shield and
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found, was blind, but now I see.
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

This week:

Sunday, Feb. 22

- Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. in classrooms
- Worship Service - 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary
- Luncheon for families with children or youth - noon in Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, Feb. 25

- Senior Flexibility Class - 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall
- Tuesday Morning Bible Study - 10:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall
- HOPE Tutoring - 6:30 p.m. in room 218

Wednesday, Feb. 25

- Men's Bible Study - 8 a.m. in the Parlor
- Quilting - 10:30 a.m. in room 204
- Ring of Praise Handbell rehearsal - 6 p.m.
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal - 7 p.m.
- CWF Bible Study - 7 p.m. online

Thursday, Feb. 26

- Senior Flexibility Class - 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall
- Saints Alive - 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall
- Session meeting - 6 p.m. online

Coming up:

Saturday, March 28

- Baylor A Cappella Choir performance - 7 p.m. in the sanctuary

Saturday, April 4

- Spring Festival - 3 p.m.

Sunday, April 5

- Easter Brunch - 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall

Community:

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will be collected in Lent



The One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) Offering is received during the season of Lent at FPCA. Offering envelopes are provided outside the sanctuary or you can designate OGHS on the memo portion of your check. Presbyterians worldwide have participated in this offering for more than 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.

Youth Minister position open

If you or someone you know has a heart for service and for working with young people, please prayerfully consider applying for the position of FPCA Youth Minister. The Director of Youth Ministry's primary responsibility will be to develop and coordinate a comprehensive relational ministry to and with high school and middle school students. The position is part time at 10 to 15 hours per week. For more information or to apply, please email chris@firstprestexas.org.

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Prayer Ministry:

Send prayer requests to prayer@firstprestexas.org

The family of Helen Chick, Charles Arnold, Carol Browning, Jimmy Chefor, Judy Crowell, Cyprain Engwenyi, Betty Farrell, Ken Floyd, Bobbie Fowler, Ivone Franzolin, Marshall Gesner, Jay and Susan Graham, Nancy Guerry, Elaine Keefer, Bob and Beverly Koch, Lisa Landolt, Margaret Landolt, Pat May, her son Tim Karnes, and her son-in-law Coleman Rouborn, Richard Price, JoAnn Quick, Carole Ray, Judy Reck, Debbie Richardson, Lisa Scrobeck, Tonya Scrobeck, Drew Stephenson, Susie Thurston, Donna Vickers, John Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Patrick Welborne, Jackie Whitfield, Sherry and Shelby Wolfe, Danny Womble

Prayers for family in the armed forces:

Jeff Grimes, Nathan Haerer, Wolfgang Van Wie, Christopher Young

Prayers for our home-bound members:

Bettye Burdett, Madge Casselman, Judy Crowell, Margaret Fite, Bobbie Fowler, Lila Glenn, Jay and Susan Graham, Teresa Hanson, Ann Scarr, Becky Speck, Leonard and Mary Jane Tibbetts, Dee Uhri, Biddie Walker

Pray for those who do not know Christ.

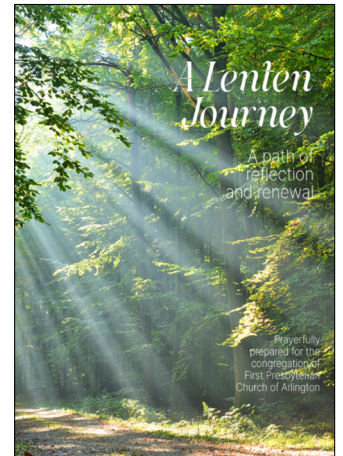
If you have any congregational care needs, contact Parish Associate Jim Shroyer at 682.445.0155 or jim@firstprestexas.org.

Registration is open for the Mo Ranch Men's Conference

Join the FPCA tradition of gathering with other men for a time of encouragement, growth, and honest conversation at the Mo Ranch Men's Conference Friday, May 1 through Sunday, May 3. This year's theme, "Holey, Holy, Wholly," will challenge and inspire us to reflect on where we are, where God is working in us, and how we can live more fully and faithfully as men. In addition to the main sessions, the conference will include engaging workshops and plenty of opportunities to connect with other men, eat barbecue, and be refreshed. If you're interested, reach out to Rev. Campbell or email info@firstprestexas.org.

Pick up your Lenten study guide and reading plan

The Prayer Ministry council has compiled a 40-day journey of prayer, study, and reflection to guide you through the season of Lent. Each day includes readings from the Old Testament, New Testament and Psalms. The booklet suggests daily prayers and has a section for notes and questions. You'll also receive three inspirational bookmarks with scripture on them to aid you in your study.



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